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## Barcikowski Elected as APAC's new President

Long time American Polish Advisory Board Member and former Executive Director Darek Barcikowski of Hartford, Connecticut has been unanimously elected as the organizations new President. Barcikowski fills a vacancy left by the passing of General Edward Rowny, one of the organizations founders and recent President.

Barcikowski, who is a lifetime advocate for greater political engagement by Polish Americans was elected to a three-year term.

“The passing of General Edward Rowny last December has left a tremendous void and big shoes to fill. I am humbled and honored by the board placing their trust in me to serve as the organization's next president,” said Barcikowski.

Barcikowski resides in Hartford, Connecticut where he also serves as the Honorary Consul of the Republic of Poland. He is also publisher and co-founder of White Eagle Media, one of the nation's largest publishers of Polish language newspapers.

Among his initial priorities as incoming president, Barcikowski listed filling board vacancies, continuing APAC's tradition of hosting an annual conference and increasing voter turnout among Polish Americans in the midterm elections this November.

Founded in 2003, the American Polish Advisory Council is a Washington, DC based non-profit organization whose mission is to involve Polish Americans in the political process and to increase the number, visibility and influence of Polish Americans in public service and public affairs.

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