

**Opening Keynote - Dan Klaich - "The State and the System - a Partnership for a New Nevada"**



**Daniel Klaich** was appointed by the Board of Regents to serve as the NSHE's tenth chancellor on June 18, 2009. He previously held the positions of executive vice chancellor, vice chancellor for legal affairs and administration and chief counsel. Mr. Klaich is an attorney, admitted to the bar in Nevada and California and was in private practice for almost 30 years prior to joining the NSHE. He is a native Nevadan and a 1972 Graduate of the University of Nevada, Reno with a Bachelor of Science in Accounting. He received his Juris Doctor from the University of Washington School of Law in 1975, and in 1978 received a Master in Taxation from New York University.

**9:15 - 10:30 Session 1A - Executive Leadership for Successful Lean Enterprise - Doug Anton**



This presentation focuses on providing clear and succinct details of the dramatic improvements possible with lean and how to accomplish the task. Beginning with Doug's first efforts at a Carson City manufacturer in 1986 and continuing through 17 years as a consultant working with small companies, he's learned common traits of executives and owners that bring about successful lean transformation.

To round up this lean discussion, Doug draws on George Koenigsaecker's three decades of lean learning and experience. With eleven lean transformations as president or group president, George has more real life experience than most of the pundits. There will be a drawing for a copy of his new book, *Leading the Lean Enterprise Transformation*, a terrific read for company owners and executives serious about using lean as a strategy for improvement.

**Doug Anton** helps companies apply and integrate proven strategies like ISO 9001 and related quality systems, MRP/ERP and Lean Enterprise.

After stints in the Merchant Marine and U.S. Navy, Doug obtained a bachelor's degree from Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo and did his Industrial Technology masters work at Utah State University. As a High School Industrial Technology teacher, he prepared students for vocational and professional careers before he joined the manufacturing sector. At GardenAmerica Doug began over 24 years of experience leading performance improvements. Ten years in diverse management roles in Quality, Production, Manufacturing and Facilities Engineering within two Black and Decker divisions gave him the opportunity to work with and be influenced by some early leaders in the lean manufacturing and quality realms. In 1993 he founded **AEM Consulting Group, Inc.** and has worked with over a hundred companies of various sizes, from a wide range of industries, addressing a variety of operational issues. He is the co-author of the *ISO 9001 Survival Guide*.