



Ralph V. Yanora

Commissioner

Ralph V. Yanora was nominated to serve as Commissioner by Gov. Tom Wolf on June 11, 2019, and subsequently confirmed by the Pennsylvania Senate on Oct. 23, 2019, following a unanimous recommendation by the Senate Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure Committee.

Commissioner Yanora currently serves as Co-Vice Chair of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) Committee on Water and also as a member of the NARUC Committee on Critical Infrastructure. With more than 40 years of experience in the water, wastewater, natural gas and, more recently, stormwater industries, Commissioner Yanora is the founder and retired CEO of Pennsylvania Water Specialties Company – which provides consulting and management services for cross connection control programs, water loss programs, as well as operation and maintenance programs for municipal systems and water and wastewater distribution companies.

Commissioner Yanora also is a licensed Master Plumber, and a certified instructor and trainer who has been recognized by the American Society of Sanitary Engineers for his knowledge and dedication to safeguarding water systems.

Additionally, Commissioner Yanora is an associate member of Pennsylvania Rural Water Association, a statewide organization whose mission is to support its approximately 1,100 municipal members along with all water and wastewater operators throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. He previously served on the Pittston Township Board of Supervisors from 2018-19.

Commissioner Yanora resides in Pittston Township, Luzerne County, with his wife, Carmela, and their daughter, Christina.