

# RÉSUMÉ

ACA International's Chief Executive Officer Gary Rippentrop, CAE, has more than 35 years of experience in association management. For 21 of those years, Rippentrop headed the Minnesota Automobile Dealers Association. In that capacity, he achieved 100 percent membership in the association among new car and truck dealerships in the state.

Rippentrop's hard work and accomplishments in the association world have earned him the Certified Association Executive designation—the highest honor bestowed by the American Society of Association Executives.

In recent years, Rippentrop played a key role in enhancing the financial position of ACA International. He holds a degree in business management, and is a graduate of the Institute of Organizational Management at Michigan State. This well-developed educational background has served him well in both the public and private sides of the business community. At ACA, his talents and background have allowed him to effectively position the association and its members as leaders in the credit and collection industry. In private enterprise, his experience and guidance led a privately owned enterprise from start up to profitability within six months.

Expanding on his business and association background, Rippentrop has been president of a number of professional associations—including Minnesota Society of Association Executives (MSAE); Minnesota Highway Users Federation; Automotive Trade Association Managers; and Minnesota Council of Retail Trade Associations—and has served on numerous committees for the American Society of Association Executives (ASAE).



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