



**Ronald Kniess**  
**Chief Financial Officer**  
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In April 2021, Ronald Kniess was named executive assistant to the general secretary-treasurer for the International Union of Painters and Allied Trades (IUPAT). In April 2023, he became IUPAT's chief financial officer. Ron currently serves as a trustee for the IUPAT Industry Pension Fund and is the secretary of the Painters and Allied Trades Children's Hope (PATCH) Foundation. He is a third-generation Building Trades member and second-generation IUPAT member. Ron began his career with the IUPAT as assistant to the general secretary-treasurer in February 2003. He holds a bachelor of science degree in business management from Saint Vincent College and a master of science degree in accounting from Strayer University.