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## **CAPA Elects Two Consumer Members to Technical Committee**

**Kentwood, Mich. – October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2026** – The Certified Automotive Parts Association (CAPA), an independent non-profit standard-setting and certification organization for automotive crash parts, announces the election of two new members to its Technical Committee.

The CAPA Technical Committee is excited to welcome representation from the consumer interest category, further enhancing the breadth of perspectives that help shape industry standards. The committee develops, maintains, reviews, and refines the CAPA Quality Standards and CAPA's American National Standards to support quality, consistency, and confidence across the marketplace.

Joining the Committee are Chris Small, Warren Tech, and Nick Wellik, Des Moines Area Community College.

CAPA's Technical Committee is comprised of members representing a cross-section of the aftermarket automotive industry, including collision repairers, distributors, insurers, manufacturers, consumers and quality experts.

"CAPA is happy to introduce these new members of our Technical Committee," said Gerry Poirier, Chair, CAPA Board of Directors. "The knowledge and experience they bring from the automotive service technology, training, and education field will further strengthen CAPA's certification program and provide valuable support in helping CAPA meet the constantly evolving challenges in today's collision repair market. Their expertise will also help support the future of the automotive repair industry by encouraging the development of well-educated, properly trained technicians prepared to meet the changing needs of the industry."

Also serving on CAPA's Technical Committee are:

- Randall Bollander, Empire Auto Parts
- Ray Pearson, LKQ/Keystone
- Rick Stenftenagel, Meyer Distributing
- Joseph Tsai, UCC Auto Parts
- Jeremy Scott, AFICS
- Michael Romanello, Allstate Insurance
- Michael Smith, GEICO
- Elaine Novak, USAA
- Richard Wang, Gordon Auto Body Parts Co., Ltd.
- Jim Miras, Micro Rim Corp.
- Jim Fisher, PBSI-DS
- Jeff Chen, T.Y.G. Products, L.P.

- Roy Schnepfer, Butler's Collision
- Greg Gambrel, Caliber Collision
- Dustin Harrier, Crash Champions
- Robert Aldridge, ProColor Collision
- Alan Bush, ALDB and Associates Consulting, LLC
- Nick Scheid, LNS & Associate
- Rod Enlow, RENlow Auto Technical Consulting, Inc.

For more information about CAPA, visit: [CAPAcertified.org](http://CAPAcertified.org).

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#### **About CAPA**

The Certified Automotive Parts Association, founded in 1987, is the nation's only independent, non-profit certification organization for automotive crash parts whose sole purpose is to ensure that both consumers and the industry have the means to identify high-quality parts via the CAPA Quality Seal. CAPA is an ANSI-accredited standards developer for competitive crash repair parts. For more information see [CAPAcertified.org](http://CAPAcertified.org).