

## Steve Jahn Bio

Steve is a native of Appleton, WI, and a graduate of the University of Wisconsin- Eau Claire with over nearly 30 years' experience in the publishing world and as an economic development professional

Steve is currently the executive director of Momentum West, one of nine regional economic development organizations covering the state of Wisconsin. Momentum West covers ten counties in west central Wisconsin. They work closely with WEDC (Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation), the county and city EDC's in the region, the higher education institutions, workforce development organizations and others to develop business and talent within the region. Steve is one of two Wisconsin representatives on the Mid-America Economic Development Council board of directors, and is the past-chair of the regional leadership council, the association made up of the nine state EDC's.

Steve was the vice president/publisher of Finance & Commerce, Inc. He led the Dolan Company's Twin Cities operations, publishers of *Finance & Commerce*, *Capitol Report/Politics* in Minnesota, and *Minnesota Lawyer*. Prior to that he was publisher of the *Dunn County News* and held several upper management positions at Chippewa Valley Newspapers, a regional group of newspapers in west central Wisconsin.

Steve has been involved on numerous civic and non-profit organizations including the Minneapolis Regional Chamber of Commerce, the United Way, Rotary International, and others.