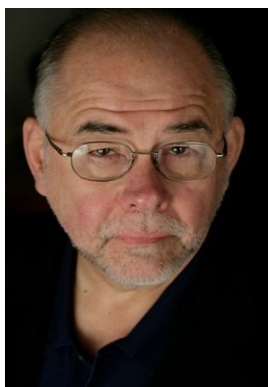


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Mr. Kysiak's development experience for IDEA includes Oklahoma Technology and Research Park, Stillwater, OK and University of Arkansas Research and Technology Park, Fayetteville, AR. His recent consulting assignments via IDEA or EKA, included University Innovation Park, Calgary, Alberta and New Orleans Regional Biosciences Initiative and Medical District.

Northwestern University/Evanston Research Park, Inc. is a for-profit joint venture between the City and Northwestern University to develop a 24-acre, urban research park. This project has developed more than 400,000 SF of technology buildings housing more than 1,000 technology jobs. The Park also is home to an award-winning technology incubator. Most recently the Park was completed with a large mixed-use residential, commercial and office development. Total investment in the Park now has reached \$200 million.

Mr. Kysiak is recognized nationally and internationally as an expert in public-private partnerships involving municipal entities and universities in the development of incubators, research parks, and technology development/seed capital programs. He has served on the boards of directors of the Association of University Research Parks (AURP); the Chicago High Tech Association, and NCI Research, an economic development research organization based at Northwestern University. He is a past president of both AURP and the International Economic Development Council (IEDC), and has received lifetime achievement awards from both of these organizations.

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