

## **Jay Devine, Vice-Chair, Communications and Marketing Committee, World Meeting of Families – Philadelphia 2015**

Jay is an accomplished communications counselor with more than 30 years of experience advising international, national and regional clients. He co-founded Devine + Partners (D+P) in 2003. In addition to managing the growth of the firm, Jay specializes in corporate communications and issues management for public, private and large institutional clients.

From its start in 2003, D+P has advised some of the largest companies and institutions in the Mid-Atlantic region including Sunoco, Deloitte, Philadelphia Newspapers, Tiffany & Co., Firsttrust Bank, Sunoco Logistics, First Niagara, the Philadelphia Zoo, the Franklin Institute, Drexel University, the Mann Center for the Performing Arts and the University of the Arts among others.

Before co-founding D+P, Jay was one of the founding members of Tierney Communications and was the general manager of its public relations division. During his 14-year tenure at Tierney, he grew the agency to become the region's largest public relations firm by advising clients like Verizon Mobile, Aramark and Sunoco. For each client, he and his team created local, regional and national communications, and issues management programs.

Jay is a graduate of Georgetown University. He is Chairman Emeritus of Neumann University where he served as chairman for ten years. In 2013, he and his wife, Bridget, were awarded honorary doctorates from Neumann University. He is also a former president and current affiliate board member of the National Adoption Center; and vice president of the board of the Philadelphia Charity Ball. He also serves on the board of the Brent Celek Take Flight Foundation and Greener Partners and is a member of the Golf Association of Philadelphia's Communications Committee.

He and his wife, Bridget, and their two children, J.P. and Meg, reside in Strafford, Pennsylvania.