



## David Behen

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Vice President and  
Chief Information Officer

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David Behen has served as Vice President and Chief Information Officer (CIO) at La-Z-Boy Incorporated since June 2017. In this role, he leads the award-winning information technology (IT) function across the enterprise, aligning technology with the company's business objectives. Behen works to ensure optimal technology performance and cybersecurity for La-Z-Boy in support of the company's future growth and success across manufacturing and retail operations. His responsibilities include IT strategy, cybersecurity, enterprise architecture, enterprise resource planning (ERP) deployment, network optimization and procuring new technologies.

Prior to joining La-Z-Boy, Behen spent over six years as a cabinet member for Governor Rick Snyder as the Director of Department of Technology, Management and Budget, and Chief Information Officer for the State of Michigan. There, he led a department that employed 2,800 associates with an annual operating budget of \$1.4 billion. Under Behen's direction, Michigan established itself as a national leader in the IT arena, delivering a portfolio of high-impact and innovative initiatives aimed at improving government through technology.

Earlier, Behen founded a software company, InfoReady, and served as a vice president and CIO of its parent company. He also worked as CIO and Deputy County Administrator of Washtenaw County, Michigan.

Behen holds several board and committee positions in professional and technology organizations. He is a co-chair of the governing body for the Detroit CIO Executive Summit and is a member of the National Retail Federation CIO Executive and Cybersecurity councils, as well as the National Cybersecurity Alliance. He was also recently a member of the Western Michigan University Board of Trustees.

Behen frequently serves as a keynote speaker, expert panelist, and moderator for national and international audiences providing expertise on information technology, cybersecurity, data management and leadership. He is passionate about empathetic leadership.

Behen earned his Master of Public Administration and Bachelor of Science degrees from Eastern Michigan University.