## Chistropher R. Watt of New York

**Christopher R. Watt,** a farming industry appointee from Albion, New York, is a specialty crop producer of apples, peaches, cherries, pears, apricots, plums and berries. He is an orchardist and owner of Watt Fruit Company (brokerage, storage and farm management); a partner in K & W Enterprises (fruit growing operation); and a partner in Watt Farms Country Market (retail market) that also provides farm education and farm entertainment. He attended Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University and Europa Institute Amsterdam, The Netherlands where he studied economic policies of the European Common Market.

Mr. Watt is a member of the New York Horticultural Society (apple processing board); New York Direct Marketing Association (zoning laws committee); New York Farm Bureau Fruit and Vegetable Advisory Committee; New York Farm Bureau Risk Management Committee; North American Farmers Direct Marketing Association; New York Farm Bureau Regional Board (executive board); New York Apple Task Committee (processing); Orleans County Farm Bureau (government relations); and the Town of Gaines Planning Board. He also spends his spare time developing and lobbying for programs for the apple growing industry.

Prior to owning his own business, Mr. Watt worked as Packaging and Storage Manager for Fred L. Glaize, Inc. (Winchester, Virginia); Packaging and Sales Manager for Timber Ridge Fruit Farms (Gore, Virginia); Production Manager for McClanahan and Company (Covesville, Virginia); and Production Manager for LaMont Fruit Farms, Inc. (Albion, New York).