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Tom participated with Professors Philip Carter, Joe Carter and Bob Monczka on the Center for Advanced Purchasing Studies (CAPS) sponsored study of the "Future of Purchasing and Supply Management – a Five and Ten Year Perspective." The study won the President's Award from the National Association of Purchasing Management in 1999. In 2006-2007, Tom once again participated in the Futures Study with Professors Monczka, Carter and Carter entitled "Succeeding in a Dynamic World; Supply Management in the Decade Ahead." From 2001-2005, Tom served on the Board of Directors of the Institute for Supply Management, the 45,000-member professional membership organization. Tom received a B.A. from Hamilton College and an M.B.A. from New York University.