



Alex W. Smith
President and Chief Executive Officer
Pier 1 Imports

As President and Chief Executive Officer of Pier 1 Imports, Alex Smith brings over 30 years of retail experience to North America's largest specialty retailer of home furnishings and accessories. Alex also serves as a director on the Company Board.

Prior to joining Pier 1 in 2007, Alex served The TJX Companies, Inc. as Senior Executive Vice President – Group President where he was latterly responsible for the 260 Home Goods stores with a total annual sales volume of over \$1.5 billion. Additionally, he oversaw the development and implementation of real estate strategies, and was responsible for corporate logistics and supply chain.

Since 1995, Alex served The TJX Companies in numerous leadership positions where he had accountability for the Marmaxx, Marshalls and TK Maxx stores; developed the Home Sense and Winners side-by-side combination format; created the TJX social compliance program; and opened the Hong Kong buying office. Prior to joining The TJX Companies, he served as Managing Director at Lane Crawford, a Hong Kong based department store group.

Alex also sits on the Board of Directors for Papa Johns International, based in Louisville, Kentucky.

Alex received a bachelor of science in biological sciences from the University of East Anglia in Norwich England in 1973. A U.K. native, he and his wife now reside in the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex. They have two grown children.

ABOUT PIER 1 IMPORTS

Pier 1 Imports, Inc. is the original global importer and is North America's largest specialty retailer of imported decorative home furnishings and gifts. Information about the Company is available on www.pier1.com.