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Hockey East Mourns the Passing of Dan Schachte *Schachte Served as Coordinator of Men's Officials From 2012-20*

AMESBURY, Mass. - The Hockey East Association mourns the passing of **Dan Schachte**, who passed away Tuesday, September 6 surrounded by his family. He is survived by his wife Kim and four children, Danny, Ian, Lauren and Maddy.

Schachte served as the Coordinator of Men's Officials for Hockey East from 2012-20, raising the talent level and depth of the league's officiating roster to new heights during his tenure.

Schachte enjoyed an illustrious 30-year career as a National Hockey League linesman, retiring in 2011-12. He worked 2,009 regular-season games in the NHL dating back to 1982, which ranked fifth all-time and was first all-time among American-born NHL officials at the time of his retirement. He was the first American and fifth official ever to surpass 2,000 games worked. He lined 221 Stanley Cup playoff games, which ranked eighth all-time among NHL linesman.

The Verona, Wisconsin native worked five Stanley Cup Finals ('97, '98, '00, '01, '02) including Game 7 of the 2001 Stanley Cup Finals. He was one of a select group chosen as linesmen for the 2002 Winter Olympics held in Salt Lake City, Utah, completing his duties on the lines of the Bronze Medal Game. His resume also included stints in the 1991 Canada Cup and the 1996 World Cup of Hockey. He was inducted into the Madison, Wisconsin Sports Hall of Fame in June 2017.

Schachte also served on the NHLOA Discipline Committee from 2002 to 2010, as well as the NHLOA Executive Board (1991-1992) and the NHL Injury Analysis Panel in 2002. He served as an Officiating Supervisor for USA Hockey since 2011, mentoring many of the top young officials in the United States with instruction and training at camps around the country. Schachte was a Western Collegiate Hockey Association (WCHA) and United States Hockey League (USHL) referee for two years (1980-1982), and co-founded the Wisconsin Elite Hockey League (WEHL) in 2006. Schachte studied Mechanical Engineering at the University of Wisconsin.

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