



# John Dawson

## President, U.S. Development

John Dawson serves as President, U.S. Development at Inspire Brands, a multi-brand restaurant company whose portfolio includes more than 33,300 Arby's, Baskin-Robbins, Buffalo Wild Wings, Dunkin', Jimmy John's, and SONIC restaurants worldwide. Inspire is supported by about 650,000 company and franchise team members.

As President, U.S. Development, Dawson is responsible for all aspects of driving domestic development including market planning, store design, real estate analysis, acquisitions, training and asset management, as well as new store constructions and remodels across Inspire's portfolio of brands.

Prior to joining Inspire, Dawson provided consulting and advisory services to private equity firms and executive management teams focused on accelerating growth in units and market share.

Before consulting, Dawson held a variety of leadership roles across the QSR industry, including President and CEO of The Coffee Bean & Tea Leaf, Global Development Officer at Dunkin' Brands, and Vice President of Worldwide Development at McDonald's Corporation.

Dawson is an alumnus of Claremont McKenna College, where he received a bachelor's degree in economics and political science. He also received a Master of Real Estate Development from the University of Southern California.

