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Kevin Cope is the fund administrator for the NECA-IBEW Pension and Welfare Trust Funds and IBEW-NECA Conduit 401(k) Plan. Combined, the funds serve over 40,000 lives, primarily across the Midwest and Southeast regions. With the help of fellow staff members and partners, he has led many strategic initiatives for the funds. Prior to becoming fund administrator in 2018, Cope served as assistant administrator and claims-customer service manager for the funds, and as a trustee on both the NECA-IBEW Pension and Welfare Trust Funds. He is a member of the Employee Benefits Administrators Association and a 25-year member of IBEW Local 855 in Muncie, Indiana. Cope has held the position of business manager/financial secretary of his local union and served on several nonprofit boards. He attended Ball State University, Muncie Electrical JATC, and Richland Community College. Cope holds the Certified Employee Benefit Specialist® (CEBS®) designation from the International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans and the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania.