



**Larry Brotherton (At-Large/Pickens County)** is Founder (1980) CEO and Chairman of Ortec Inc. an international chemical manufacturing company. Dr. Brotherton graduated from Tusculum College with a B.S and from the University of Tennessee with a Ph.D. in Chemistry. He is the holder of several US Patents and the recipient of numerous Chemical Industry Performance Awards inclusive of the 2014 South Carolina Ambassador for Economic Development Award.

Larry has served on Professional and Community Service Boards throughout his life, of local note includes: The Peace Center for the Performing Arts, Easley Campus of Prisma, Easley Chamber of Commerce, and the Pickens County YMCA. He is currently serving on the Tusculum University Board of Trustees, Greeneville TN.



**Lance Byars, Board Treasurer, (Districts 22/24)** is a Senior Brokerage Associate at Colliers International, a commercial real estate company leading the retail and restaurant division.

Lance is an active member of the community serving on various committees and boards and is a member of Grace Church. He is on the Advisory Board for The Salvation Army where he also teaches a faith-based class to the residents on Thursday nights.

Lance has a degree in business from the University of North Texas, a Master's in Real Estate Development from Clemson University, and is pursuing his MBA at New York University's Stern School of Business in Manhattan. In his spare-time he enjoys playing golf, Clemson athletics, traveling, and time with family and friends.



**Fred F. Carpenter (At-Large/City)** is a native of Greenville and a retired banking executive. His banking background includes Real Estate Commercial and Retail Lending, and banking operations. He served two terms as an at-large member of Greenville City Council and as Vice Mayor, retiring in 2001. His current and previous community service includes the Peace Center for the Performing Arts Board, YMCA Endowment, Greenville Chamber of Commerce, and Gateway House.

Fred holds a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from the Darla Moore School of Business (USC).



**Curtis T. "Curt" Evatt (At-Large/Oconee County)** is the President and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and Board Member of Oconee Federal Savings and Loan Association Oconee Federal Financial Corp. and Oconee Federal MHC. He has been employed by Oconee Federal Savings and Loan Association since 1988 and has held several positions prior to being named President and CEO including Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer.

Curt currently serves on the board of directors of the SC Bankers Association and Oconee Medical Holdings.



**Fred Douglas Garrett, Jr. (Doug) (Districts 23 & 25)**, is a native of Greenville and currently the President of Watkins, Garrett and Woods Mortuary, Greenville S.C. and JC Moore Funeral Home, Greenville, S.C. Prior to becoming President, he held positions as Manager, Funeral Director, and Chief Embalmer at Watkins, Garrett, and Woods Mortuary.

Doug is an active member in the community and has served on numerous professional and community boards that include: UNCF Regional Board of Directors; Quest Charter School Board of Directors; Salvation Army Advisory Board; Executive Board of the Blue Ridge Council Boy Scouts of America; South Carolina State Board of Funeral Service, serving as President; Medical Examiner's Board; Governor of District IV South Carolina Mortician's Association; Greenville Technical College Foundation Board; Greenville County Coroner's Commission; City of Greenville - Civil Service Commission; The Urban League of the Upstate Advisory Board .

Doug is a Southside High School graduate. He holds a Bachelor of Social Work Degree from Benedict College and an associate degree in Funeral Services from Gupton-Jones College of Funeral Service, Atlanta, G.A.

Doug is the son of Mamie Williams Garrett and the late Fred D. Garrett, Sr. He has two children Emerald and Langston Garrett.



**Tracy T. Hardaway (AT-Large)** is a native of Greenville and a retired financial advisor. She currently serves as secretary-treasurer of the Citadel Foundation Board. She is also on the South Carolina Tennis Patrons Foundation and the Greenville Center for Creative Arts Board where she was a founder.

Past boards include the Community Foundation of Greenville, Greenville Theatre, Upcountry History Museum, Carolina Ballet Theatre, USC Alumni Association, and the USC Honors College Partnership Board. She is a sustaining member of the Junior League of Greenville and a member of Greenville Women Giving and has served on the Grants Committee.

Tracy earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of South Carolina. She and her husband of 50 years, Charles Hardaway, have four sons, four daughters-in-law and nine grandchildren.



**Reverend Stacey D. Mills, Board Chair, (At-Large)**, is the Assistant Vice Chancellor for Regional Engagement and Executive Director of the Greenville Campus for USC Upstate. He is also Senior Pastor of Mountain View Baptist Church.

His current or previous community involvement includes the current Chair of the Urban League of the Upstate, Trustee of the National Urban League and a member of the Greenville Chamber Board of Advisors.

He also serves on the USC Upstate Alumni Board of Directors; is past Chair USC Upstate Staff Council; Board Member Boy Scouts of America Blue Ridge Council; Board Vice Chairman and Program Committee Chair of the Urban League of the Upstate; City of Greenville

Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee; Ten at the Top Transportation Committee; Piedmont Health Foundation Board of Directors; Leadership Greenville Alumni; Leadership Spartanburg Alumni; Riley Institute Diversity Fellow - The Riley Institute at Furman; and Rotary Club of Greenville.

Stacey earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree from USC Upstate.



**Stacey L. Owens (Districts 27/28)** retired as a police captain from the Greenville Police Department in Greenville, SC after 28 years of service. During his tenure, he served over 19 years in investigative & supervisory roles, the majority leading the Professional Standards Division (Internal Affairs). Stacey was the law enforcement liaison to the City of Greenville’s Public Safety Citizens Review Board, also the department’s first Crisis Intervention Team Coordinator (police officers’ response to those with mental illness/crisis). After retirement, he was appointed to the City of Greenville’s ad hoc Citizen Advisory Panel on Public Safety.

Stacey holds a master’s degree in criminal justice from Anderson University; he is a graduate from both the Southern Police Institute (SPI) 119<sup>th</sup> Administrative Officers Course at the University of Louisville; graduate of the Senior Management Institute for Police (SMIP)/ Police Executive Research Forum (PERF) Session 51 at Boston University; Leadership Greenville Alumni: Class 38; The Riley Institute at Furman *Diversity Leaders Initiative*: Class XXIV

Even though retired, Stacey continues to serve on several non-profit boards & commissions: Greenville Homeless Alliance Steering Committee 2022-Present, Mental Health America of Greenville County (MHAGC) 2020-Present, Greenville County’s Commission on Alcohol & Drug Abuse through the Phoenix Center 2020 – 2023, National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) National Board of Directors, Washington, D. C. 2016-2020, National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Greenville, SC local board & past president 2014-2020

Stacey is now employed by the SPINX Company, LLC and is the Director of Spinks Community Engagement where he continues to serve South Carolina communities by helping our most vulnerable adults through advocacy for those experiencing homelessness, substance abuse and/or living with a mental illness. Stacey can be contacted at [sowens@spinxco.com](mailto:sowens@spinxco.com) or 864.376.2867.



**Janet M. Shelley, PT, DPT, Board Vice Chair, (Districts 16/21/35)** is the founder and CEO of Medical Billing Center. Prior to MBC Janet was a partner in Vaughn Buchanan Shelley and Associates Physical Therapists. She is an appointee to the Public Policy and Advocacy Advisory Committee of the American Physical Therapy Association (APTA) and Past President of the SC Chapter of the APTA.

Janet received her undergraduate degree from East Carolina University in Physical Therapy and her Doctorate in Physical Therapy in 2010.

Locally Janet is active in her church, volunteers at the Ronald McDonald House and serves as Guardian ad litem. These roles keep her engaged with members of our local communities that are vulnerable to health disparities as well as the organizations working to reverse these disparities.



**Donna O. Smith (Districts 18/20/36)** is the Manager and Broker in Charge for C. Dan Joyner REALTORS. She holds the following designations, CRS, ABR, GRI

Donna is an active member of the community serving on various committees, boards, and an active member of First Presbyterian of Greer. She serves as Chairman of the Board for Greer Middle College Charter High School and was instrumental in moving the students from portables to a beautiful new building and a wellness center. She is also the past chair of the Greater Greer Chamber of Commerce and currently serves as VP of Government Affairs.

Donna is very active in her profession having served as president of the Greater Greenville Association of Realtors, President of the South Carolina Association of Realtors, and National Association of Realtors Director. Donna is considered an expert on national flood insurance and testified before congress. Beginning 2022 she will serve as Liaison VP on state and federal issues and serve on the executive team of the National Association of Realtors.

Donna was appointed by the city of Greer to serve on the road commissioners study group.



**Dr. Philip C. Van Hale (At-Large)** was born in Los Angeles, California in 1948, but a resident of Greenville, South Carolina for over thirty years. Graduated with a BS from Loyola Marymount University in 1970 and with an MD from Vanderbilt University in 1974. He became board certified in Anatomic and Clinical Pathology after training at LAC-USC medical center in Los Angeles. He sub-specialized there in Hematopathology and was an Assistant Clinical Professor at the University of Southern California. He was certified in Internal Medicine and Clinical Hematology after training at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester Minnesota. He has an MBA from Duke's Fuqua School of Business with a concentration on health services management. He

practiced pathology at the Greenville Hospital System and was a department chair prior to its conversion to Prisma Health and worked mainly with diseases of blood and cancer diagnosis.



**Bradley B. Williams, M.D. (At-Large)** is a practicing ophthalmologist and founding partner of Southern Eye Associates. He and his wife have four adult children and seven grandchildren. He enjoys doing mission work with his family in Third World countries. Dr. Williams loves the outdoors whether planting crops, harvesting, moving dirt with his tractor, or honing his photography skills. He considers ophthalmology a ministry, and his greatest desire is to please the God he serves. His greatest earthly joy is his family and serving others.

Dr. Williams earned a Medical Doctorate Degree (MD) from the Medical University of South Carolina, attended Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, and earned a B.S. degree from Wofford College. His areas of expertise's include comprehensive eye examinations, cataract and implant surgery: including toric and multifocal intraocular lens implant, Laser treatment for glaucoma, and dry eye treatment.

Dr. Williams professional background includes Founder of Southern Eye Associates, Residency, Medical College of Georgia, Medical Director of St Joseph Hospital, and ER physician. He is Board Certified by American Board of Ophthalmology, a fellow of the American Academy of Ophthalmology, a



member of the Greenville County Medical Society, South Carolina Medical Association, South Carolina Society of Ophthalmology, and the American Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgery. Dr. Williams served as an Adjunct Assistant Professor of the University of South Carolina, founder and former board chair of Servants for Sight, and former Chair of the Department of Ophthalmology at Prisma Health Greenville. In addition, Dr. Williams has authored 10 books, led multiple third world medical mission trips, and has been a volunteer physician at Greenville Free Medical Clinic, Taylors Free Medical Clinic, and Servants for Sight.



**Jerry R. Youkey, M.D. (District 17/19)** retired September 2019 from Prisma Health and the University of South Carolina following his service as Executive Vice President and Chief Academic Officer, Founding Dean of the University of South Carolina School of Medicine Greenville, and USC Associate Provost for Health Sciences – Greenville. Doctor Youkey joined Greenville Health System (GHS) in 1998. During his 21-year tenure he was responsible for expansion of the health system’s research and education activities; creation of its now 1200 physician group practice; progressive integration of hospital-physician patient care; and for the growing University of South Carolina health sciences presence in the Upstate.

Prior to joining GHS, Dr. Youkey served as chief of the department of surgery and director of the peripheral vascular fellowship program at Geisinger Medical Center in Danville, Pennsylvania. He also served in the United States Army Medical Corps and was honorably discharged in 1984 with the rank of lieutenant colonel.

Dr. Youkey is certified by the American Board of Surgery in general vascular surgery. He is a member of several professional societies and has authored numerous book chapters, abstracts and journal articles. He holds the academic appointment of clinical professor at the University of South Carolina School of Medicine Greenville and on September 30, 2019, was designated Founding Dean Emeritus by the University of South Carolina.

Dr. Youkey earned a bachelor’s degree in biology from Stanford University and a medical degree from the Medical College of Wisconsin. He served a rotating internship and general surgery residency at William Beaumont Army Medical Center in El Paso, Texas, and a fellowship in peripheral vascular surgery at Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C.



**John M. Young (At-Large/Laurens County)** is a native of Columbia, SC and has spent the majority of his career in the utility industry. He is currently the General Manager of the Laurens Commission of Public Works (LCPW), where he has been since 2000. The LCPW provides natural gas, water, electricity, and wastewater services to the city of Laurens and surrounding areas. Prior to this, he spent 15 years with SCE&G/SCANA Corporation in Columbia and Charleston, SC.

John earned his bachelor’s degree from the University of South Carolina and a Master of Public Administration Degree from Clemson University. He is an adjunct political science professor at USC Union.

Heavily involved in the community, he is an active member of Laurens First United Methodist Church and the Laurens Rotary Club. He is on the Board of Directors for the Laurens County Development

Corporation, Mainstreet Laurens USA, Piedmont Municipal Power Agency, Laurens County Healthcare System, and the South Carolina Association of Municipal Power Systems.

He is married to the former Merry Hinton. They have two grown children Jack and Ellen (and a grand cat named Nut).

**President, Greenville Health Authority:**



**J. Phillip Liston** is a native of Greenville and has spent his entire career as an educator, public servant and advocate for the children and families of South Carolina. He retired in 2018 from his career in Education; during which time he held numerous roles in public schools as a teacher, coach, administrator, counselor, and volunteer. He coordinated countless enrichment and support opportunities for the youth of the Upstate community utilizing the services of the YMCA South Carolina Continuum of Care, Greenville Mental Health, 4H Camps of S.C. and the Peace Center for the Performing Arts.

Liston served as a United Way Campaign Coordinator at various sites for over 25 years. In conjunction with the Kiwanis Clubs of South Carolina he provided numerous opportunities for student recognition emphasizing character development. Liston was elected Greenville Health Authority’s Board Chair in September 2019, chaired the Governance Committee, and was elected President in 2021.

Liston is an avid tree farmer and land Conservationist. He is a graduate of Wofford College and holds a master's degree from Winthrop University.