

College and University Trustee Screening Commission

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The College and University Trustee Screening Commission received completed applications on or before 12:00 p.m. (noon) on Wednesday, December 17, 2025, from the candidates listed below. The Commission held screening hearings on Monday, March 2, 2026, and Thursday, March 5, 2026. The election date must be set by resolution of the General Assembly.

THE CITADEL

One (1) At-Large Seat

- term expired June 2023

- Kenneth Scott Bland, *Lexington*
- ~~James C. Boozer, Sr., *West Union*~~
(Withdrew on 12/19/25)
- Kristofer Daniel Clark, *Marietta*
- James E. Nicholson, Jr., *Charleston*

COASTAL CAROLINA UNIVERSITY

1st Congressional District - Seat 1

- term expired June 30, 2023

- George Edward Mullen,
Hilton Head Island

2nd Congressional District - Seat 2

- term expired June 30, 2025

- Vacant

3rd Congressional District - Seat 3

- term expired June 30, 2023

- William S. Biggs, *Salem*

4th Congressional District - Seat 4

- term expired June 30, 2025

- William E. Turner, III, *Simpsonville*

- 5th Congressional District - Seat 5**
 - term expired June 30, 2023

- Lisa Mabry Davis, *Gaffney*
- 6th Congressional District - Seat 6**
 - term expired June 30, 2025

- ~~Bradley J. Poston, *Charleston*~~
(Withdrew on 3/2/26)
- 7th Congressional District - Seat 7**
 - term expired June 30, 2023

- Natasha Mabry Hanna, *Conway*
- At-Large- Seat 8**
 - term expired June 30, 2025

- Jason Michael Repak, *Murrells Inlet*
- At-Large- Seat 9**
 - term expired June 30, 2023

- Eugene C. Spivey, *Myrtle Beach*
- At-Large- Seat 10**
 - term expired June 30, 2025

- Mark S. Kelley, *Conway*
- At-Large- Seat 11**
 - term expired June 30, 2023

- Brian J. Argo, *Myrtle Beach*
 - Richard Blake Kline, *Myrtle Beach*
 - ~~Robin Edwards Russell, *Myrtle Beach*~~
(Withdrew on 2/10/26)
 - ~~James Brandon Sessions, *Myrtle Beach*~~
(Withdrew on 3/1/26)
 - Edward Robert Tkacz, *Myrtle Beach*
- At-Large- Seat 12**
 - term expired June 30, 2025

- Hal Delan Stevens, *Conway*
- At-Large- Seat 13**
 - term expired June 30, 2023

- Lee A. Belcher, *Conway*
- At-Large- Seat 14**
 - term expired June 30, 2025

- Joe N. Jarrett, Jr., *Myrtle Beach*
- At-Large, Seat 15**
 - term expired June 30, 2025

- Patrick Steven Sparks, *Mrytle Beach*

COLLEGE OF CHARLESTON

4th Congressional District - Seat 8

- term expired June 30, 2024

- ~~Jack Hinsdale, Greenville~~
(Withdrew on 2/8/26)

LANDER UNIVERSITY

5th Congressional District - Seat 5

- term expired June 30, 2024

- ~~Thomas Balek, Union~~
(Withdrew on 3/5/26)
- Christopher Shawn Foxworth, Inman

At-Large - Seat 12

- term expires June 30, 2026

- Sabrina Anne Walker, Sumter

At-Large - Seat 15

- term expires June 30, 2026

- Kathy R. Taylor, Union

MEDICAL UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA

2nd Congressional District, Lay Member

- term expired June 30, 2024

- William Delleney Wiseman, Blythewood

SOUTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY

At-Large, Seat 12

- term expired June 30, 2024

- Donald Beatty, Spartanburg
- ~~Quincy Franklin Mack, Rock Hill~~
(Withdrew on 2/10/26)
- Johnny Myron Sellers, Easley
- Douglas M. Twitty, Fort Mill

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA

2nd Judicial Circuit

- term expires June 30, 2028

- James Strom Thurmond, Jr., Aiken
- Bernie Lee Sims, Jr., Aiken

4th Judicial Circuit

- term expired June 30, 2024

- Richard Mark Bonnoitt, Florence
- J. Colin Hungerpilller, Hartsville
- Caroline W. Streater, Cheraw

12th Judicial Circuit

- term expires June 30, 2026

- Coleman Floyd Buckhouse, Florence
- ~~Jarrod Blake Tippins, Florence~~

15th Judicial Circuit

- term expired June 30, 2024

- *(Withdrew on 12/18/25)*
- Frederick Schipman Johnston,
Murrells Inlet
- ~~Ronald Ray Norton, *Murrells Inlet*~~
(Withdrew on 12/30/25)
- Michelle Kerscher Plyler, *Myrtle Beach*
- Anthony Holland Pope, *Georgetown*
- Kellah Fortson Webster, *Conway*

WINTHROP UNIVERSITY

7th Congressional District - Seat 7

- term expired June 30, 2024

At-Large - Seat 8

- term expired June 30, 2023

At-Large - Seat 10

- term expires June 30, 2027

- Alison Jean Hamilton,
North Myrtle Beach
- ~~Edward R. Driggers, *Chapin*~~
(Withdrew on 3/2/26)
- Jean Haubert, *Fort Mill*
- Timothy O'Riley, *Rock Hill*

WIL LOU GRAY OPPORTUNITY SCHOOL

Three (3) At-Large Seats

- term expired June 30, 2023

- Dan Austin Dobson, *Myrtle Beach*
- Jackie Chitty Drake, *Gaffney*
- Vacant