

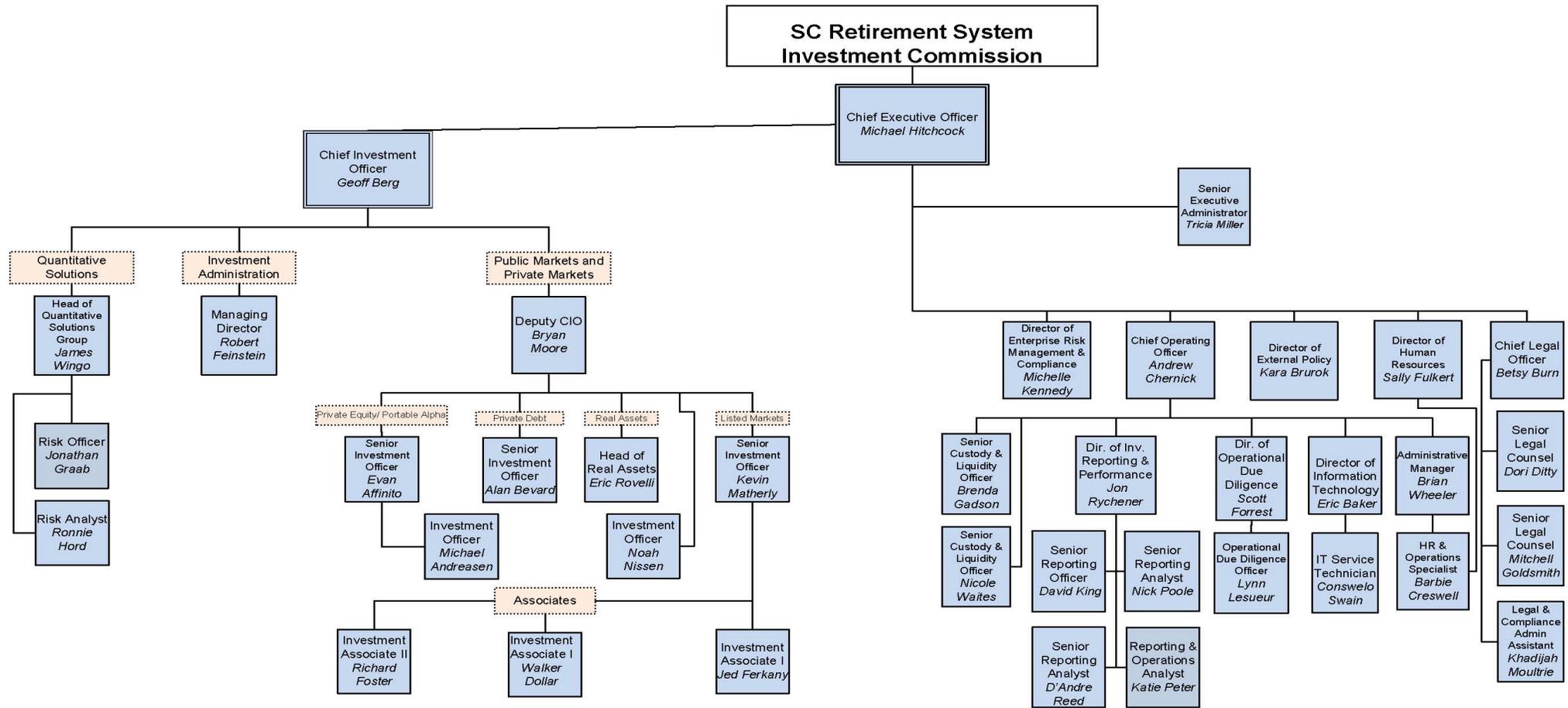
# South Carolina Retirement System Investment Commission

*FY 2024-2025 Budget Request*

*Michael Hitchcock, CEO*

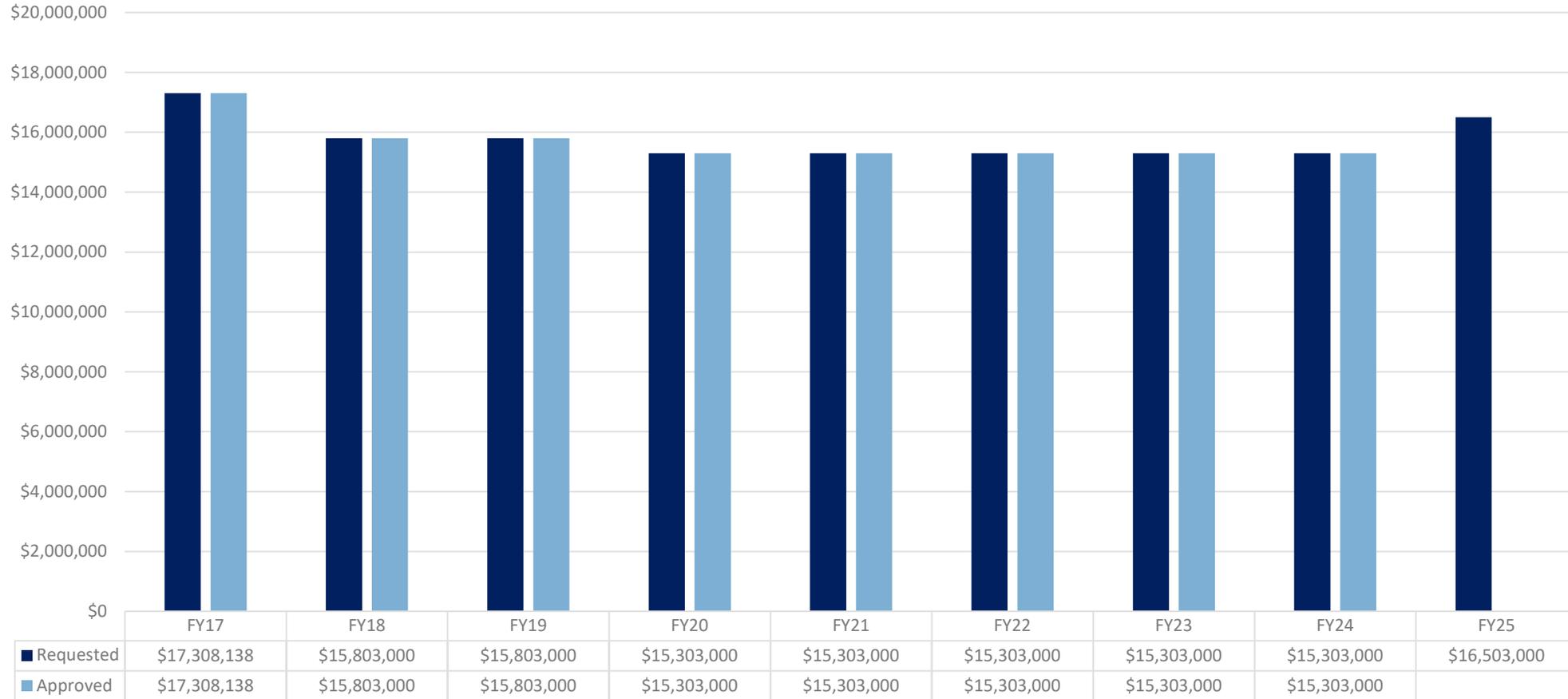


# Organizational Chart



As of January 10, 2024

# Recent Appropriations History



# FY 2024–2025 Budget Request

## Total Budget (Other Funds)

**\$16,503,000**

Personal Services	\$8,100,000
Other Operating Expenses	\$6,103,000
Employer Contributions	\$2,300,000

# FY 2024–2025 Budget Request Summary

- The Commission is requesting additional Other Fund authorization of \$1,200,000 for the following:
  - \$900,000 – Personal Services
    - To compensate for COLA increases over the past nine years the agency absorbed without additional authorization
    - To remain competitive in the marketplace for talent with other pension funds and the financial industry’s private sector.
  - \$300,000 – Employee Benefits
    - Corresponding additional employer contributions resulting from the increase to Personal Services

# Full Time Employee Status

- Authorized: 51
- Filled: 39
- Vacant: 12
  - 3 Investment Officers
  - 4 Investment Associates
  - 5 Additional Vacancies
- The Commission is not requesting any additional FTEs for FY 2024-2025 and has plans to fill the number of vacant FTEs necessary to best serve the needs of the agency.

# Proviso Request

**117.116 (GP: Retirement System Assets and Custodial Banking Relationship Transfer)** *In order to facilitate the transfer of custodianship of the assets of the Retirement System to the Public Employee Benefit Authority and governance of the custodial banking relationship to the Retirement System Investment Commission, all portions of contracts, agreements, and exemptions from the Consolidated Procurement Code providing for and relating to custodial banking, general banking, accounting, or any other ancillary services are transferred to, and devolved upon, the Public Employee Benefit Authority and the Retirement System Investment Commission in accordance with the authority transferred to the respective agency.*

- The Commission is requesting to maintain the current proviso language as written.
  - As management of custodial banking relationship is now fully transitioned to the RSIC, maintenance of these exemptions will allow for any necessary modifications to agreements, including but not limited to, the consolidation of custodial related services with BNYM as a sole provider, in order to create operational and fiscal efficiencies.

**NEW (RSIC: Fiduciary Audit)** *For Fiscal Year 2024-25, Section 9-16-380 of the 1976 Code regarding the solicitation and bid for a fiduciary audit is suspended.*

- The Commission is requesting a new proviso suspending the solicitation, bid and performance of the fiduciary audit as required in Section 9-16-380.
  - The fiduciary audit was adopted into statute as a part of the 2017 Retirement Reform.
  - Funston Advisory Services performed the audit for 2014, 2018, and 2022.
  - There was only one response to the 2022 RFP.
  - Audit cost - \$400,000
  - RSIC is continuously audited and reviewed. There are at least seven reviews of the agency annually by various firms and legislative committees.