



McCOY, Peter M., Jr. [R]—(Dist. No. 115, Charleston Co.)—Atty., McCoy & Stokes, LLC; residing at 667 Shortwood St., Charleston; *b.* Aug. 20, 1978 in Charleston; *s.* Peter M. and Lucy Coleman McCoy; *g.* Hampden-Sydney Coll., B.A., 2001; Regent Univ., J.D., 2005; June 19, 2010 *m.* Jennifer Blanchard, 3 children, Mae Loflin, Lucy Davis, and Peter M. III; Asst. Solicitor, Charleston Co.,

2005–10; Exec. Bd., Charleston Lawyers Club, 2007–11; licensed to practice in Fed. Dist. Court of S.C. and Fed. Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals; awarded the Key to James Island; Adv. Bd. for Save the Morris Island Lighthouse; mem.: Folly Beach Civic Club; James Island Exchange Club; Jt. Legis. Screening Com. for Colls. & Univs.; Chm., Family Law & Probate Subcom., 2013–14; named S.C. Rising Star by S.C. Super Lawyers, 2013, 2014, 2015; 2014 recipient of Charleston Regional Bus. Journal's Forty under 40; Chm., Gen. Law Subcom., 2015–; Children's Hosp. S.C. Legislator of the Year, 2014; Martindale Hubbell A.V. preeminent voting, 2013, 2014, 2015; Tour of James Island Merit Award, 2015; mem., Grace Episcopal Church; prev. serv. in House 2011–19.



McCRAVY, John R. III [R]—(Dist. No. 13, Greenwood Co.)—Atty. & Adjunct Professor; residing in Greenwood; *b.* Sept. 6, 1958 in Maryland; *s.* John R., Jr. and Margaret B. McCravy; *g.* Clemson Univ., B.A., 1982; Univ. of S.C., J.D., 1985; 1980 *m.* Dana Shaw, 2 children, John R. IV and Kelley, 3 grandchildren; Law Clerk, S.C. Atty. Gen. Office, 1983–84; Law Clerk, U.S. Atty. Office,

1984–85; Staff Atty., Supreme Court of S.C., 1985–87; Atty., Callison, Dorn, Thomason, Garrett and McCravy Law Firm, P.A., 1988–95; Bd. mem., Supreme Court of S.C. Bd. of Comm. on Grievances and Discipline, 1991–96; City Atty., City of Greenwood, 1995–04; Managing Atty., McCravy, Newlon and Sturkie Law Firm, P.A., 1995–; mem.: S.C. Bar Assn., 1985–; admitted in all S.C. state courts, Fed. Dist. Court, Dist. of S.C., Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals, 1985–; Fed. Bar Assn., 2015–; Bd. certified, Natl. Bd. of Trial Advocacy for Civil Litigation,

2001–; 2010 Top 10 S.C. Atty., A.I.O.P.A.; M. Mason, Certificate of Proficiency, 25 Year Pin & Life mem., Clemson Lodge #254; founding mem., Bd. of Dirs., Greater Greenwood United Ministry, Pres., 1995–00, mem., 2010–; mem., Prog. Review Team, Abbeville Baptist Assn., 1998–01; Bd. of Dirs., Greenwood Christian School, Chm., 1999–08, mem., 2012–15; Adv. Bd., Crossroads Pregnancy Center, 1999–; Adv. Bd., Volunteers in Med. Missions, 2001–; Adv. Bd., Lander Univ. School of Bus. Mgmt., 2016–; NRA Life mem.; Volunteer Award, Piedmont Ag. on Aging, 1989; Contributing Author, “Appeals” section of S.C. Jurisprudence, 1993; Adjunct Faculty, Constitutional Law, Criminal Law, Piedmont Tech. Coll., 1988; Adjunct Faculty, Lander Univ., Constitutional Law, Bus. Law, Commercial Law, 2012, 2016–; Course Instructor, S.C. Bar Legal Lessons, Workers’ Compensation, 2013–; Greenwood Co. Volunteer Award, DSS, 1992; Dixie Youth Baseball coach, 1990–99; Presidential Medallion, Piedmont Tech. Coll.; Moderator, S.C. House of Reps. Family Caucus, 2017–; Elder, Calvary Chapel of Greenwood; prev. serv. in House 2017–19.

McDANIEL, Annie E. [D]—(Dist. No. 41, Chester-Fairfield-Richland Cos.)—Retired Consultant; residing at 2247 Kennedy Rd., Winnsboro; *b.* May 28 in Winnsboro; *d.* Mary Kennedy and the late Eddie McDaniel; *g.* Univ. of S.C., B.S., 1982, Univ. of S.C., Master’s of Public Admin., 1991; single; S.C. School Bds. Assn., Bd. of Dirs., 2016–; S.C. Caucus of Black School Bd. Mems., Treas., 2014; Fairfield Co. School Bd., 2000–; Delta Sigma Theta Sor., Inc.; S.C. Social Action, Chm., 2016–; S.C. NAACP Political Action, Chm., 2017–; Delta Sigma Theta, Inc., S.C. State Coordinator, 2008–12; Delta House Bd. of Dirs.; mem., Mark Sanford’s Budget Transition Team, 2001; S.C. Govt. Fin. Offs. Assn., Pres., 2000; Leadership S.C. Class of 1997; Leadership Fairfield Class of 1997; prev. serv. in House 2019.





School's Citizens Adv. Bd., 2017–; prev. serv. in House Jan. 2, 2018–19.

McGINNIS, Timothy A. “Tim” [R]—(Dist. No. 56, *Horry Co.*)—Businessman; residing at 8476 Juxa Dr., Myrtle Beach; *b.* July 4, 1971 in Washington, Pa.; *s.* Mary Lou and the late John McGinnis; *g.* Georgia Southern Univ., B.S., 1998; July 19, 2003 *m.* Michelle Thomas, 2 children, TJ and Erin; former journalist; former television news anchor; mem., Horry Co. Public



sistency #330, Kingstree; Crescent Temple #180 A.E.A.O.N.M.S., Florence; Kappa Alpha Psi Frat., Inc.; S.C. Trial Lawyers Assn.; Black Lawyers Assn.; S.C. Assn. of the Criminal Defense Lawyers, Williamsburg Co. Bar; Florence Co. Bar; James E. Clyburn Fellow; Bd. of Trustees, Morris Brown Coll., 2019–; mem., Bethesda United Methodist Church, Lake City; mil. serv.: USA Reserves, 1991–98; prev. serv. in House 2015–19.

McKNIGHT, Cezar E. [D]—(Dist. No. 101, *Clarendon-Williamsburg Cos.*)—Atty.; residing in Kingstree; *b.* Dec. 10, 1973 in Kingstree; *s.* Edward and Ruby McKnight; *g.* Morris Brown Coll., B.A., 1996; Florida Coastal School of Law, J.D., 2001; 1 child, Claire Elizabeth; Gideon Lodge #428, Andrews, P.H.A.; P.K. Gadegbeku Chap. #440, Kingstree; King Solomon Con-



prev. serv. in House 2019.

MOORE, JA [D]—(Dist. No. 15, *Berkeley-Charleston Cos.*)—Chef & Bus. Owner; residing in Hanahan; *b.* Mar. 6 in Orangeburg; *s.* Ernestine S. and the late James Alexander Moore, Sr.; *g.* Johnson & Wales Univ., Culinary Arts Degree, 2005; Mar. 26, 2016 *m.* Victoria Rae; mem.: Interstate Cooperation Com., 1st VC, 2018–; Med., Mil., Public & Municipal Affairs Com., 2018–;

MORGAN, Adam Michael [R]—(Dist. No. 20, *Greenville* Co.)—Pres., Majesty Music, Inc. & Atty.; residing at 803 Ikes Rd., Taylors; *b.* Apr. 26, 1989 in Dallas, Tex.; *s.* Timothy and Michele Morgan; *g.* Bob Jones Univ., B.A., 2011; Univ. of S.C. School of Law, J.D., 2015; July 4, 2016 *m.* Megan Hamilton, 1 child, Ella Marie; Bd. mem., Hope for the Home, 2016; mem., Morningside Baptist Church; prev. serv. in House 2019.



MOSS, Dennis Carroll [R]—(Dist. No. 29, *Cherokee-Chester-York* Cos.)—Retired, S.C. Hwy. Patrol; residing at 306 Silver Cir., Gaffney; *b.* Jan. 13, 1954 in Union; *s.* the late James Edward and Mary Ivey Moss; *g.* Union High School, 1972; attended Spartanburg Methodist Coll.; S.C. Criminal Justice Academy; June 24, 1978 *m.* Janet Ellis, 1 child, Brandon Lindsay; mem.: Lions Intl.; Sertoma Intl.; Gaffney #186 Masonic Lodge; Cherokee Shrine Club; Hejaz Shrine Temple; NRA; Cherokee Co. Econ. Dev. Bd.; United Way of Piedmont; Buford St. Methodist Church, lay member to Annual Conf.; mem., Bd. of Dirs.: Cherokee Co. Habitat for Humanity; Cherokee Co. Senior Citizens Center; Sportsmen's Caucus; Rural Caucus; prev. serv. in House 2007–19.



MOSS, V. Stephen "Steve" [R]—(Dist. No. 30, *Cherokee-York* Cos.)—Retired banker; residing at 104 Rains Rd., Blacksburg; *b.* Feb. 3, 1950 in Cherokee Co.; *s.* Winfred V. and Frances M. Moss; *g.* Clemson Univ., B.A., 1972; S.C. School of Banking, 1976; School of Banking of the South, LSU, 1984; Aug. 21, 1976 *m.* Cheryl C. Carlton, 3 children, Elizabeth M., Jessica M., and Emily M.; Pres., Cherokee Co. Chamber of Commerce, 1982, 1994; Pres., Gaffney Rotary, 1996; Chm., Cherokee Co. Recreation Dist., 1982–84; Cherokee Co. School Bd., 1990–94; Cherokee Co. Comm. Foundation Bd., 1995–04; S.C. Bd. of Educ., 1999–00; S.C. Banker's Assn. Bd., 2007–09; 2015 S.C. Farm



Bureau Legislator of the Year; Volunteer Fireman, 43 years; Cherokee Co. Dev. Bd.; prev. serv. in House Apr. 28, 2009–19.



MURPHY, Chris [R]—(Dist. No. 98, *Dorchester Co.*)—Atty., Murphy Law Firm, LLC; residing at 4238 Persimmon Woods Dr., North Charleston; *b.* May 31, 1968 in Honolulu, Hawaii; *s.* the late Patrick J. and the late Barbara A. Murphy; *g.* The Citadel, B.A., 1990; Mississippi Coll., J.D., 1995; Aug. 6, 1994 *m.* Maité D., 2 children, Christopher A. and Jackson F.; founding mem., Sum-

merville Miracle League; Asst. Solicitor, First Judicial Circuit, 1996–01; Special Asst., U.S. Atty., Drug/Violent Crime Task Force, 1998–01; Dorchester Co. Council, 2002–10, Chm., 2005; House Jud. Com.; Criminal Law Subcom., Chm.; Review & Oversight Comm. on the Ports Authority; Sentencing Reform Oversight Com.; Judicial Merit Selection Comm.; mem., St. Paul's Episcopal Church; mil. serv.: SCARNG; prev. serv. in House 2011–19.



NEWTON, Brandon Michael [R]—(Dist. No. 45, *Lancaster-York Cos.*)—Staff, Univ. of S.C. Lancaster; residing in Lancaster; *b.* July 29, 1994 in Lancaster; *s.* Danny and Donna Newton; *m.* Allison Newton; *g.* Univ. of S.C. Lancaster, 2014, A.A., 2015, A.S., 2015; Univ. of S.C., B.A., 2016; Winthrop Univ., M.B.A., 2019; mem., Lancaster Breakfast Rotary Club; Bd. mem., The Children's

Council, Lancaster, 2012–16; Chm., S.C. Fifth Congressional Dist. Rep. Party, 2014–16; Univ. of S.C. Lancaster Student Body Pres., 2014–16; Chm., Lancaster Co. Rep. Party, 2015–16; Exec. Com. mem., S.C. Rep. Party, 2019–; prev. serv. in House 2017–19.

NEWTON, Wm. Weston J. [R]—(Dist. No. 120, *Beaufort-Jasper Cos.*)—Atty. & Partner, Jones, Simpson & Newton, P.A.; residing at 83 Myrtle Island Rd., Bluffton; *b.* Feb. 22, 1967 in Greenville; *s.* Jourdan J. Macfie and the late Howard Newton; *g.* Washington & Lee Univ., B.A., 1989; Univ. of S.C., J.D., 1993; Apr. 25, 1998 *m.* Rose R. Buyck, 3 children, Reedy, William, and Eliza Rose; Order of Wig and Robe, Univ. of S.C. School of Law, 1993; Law Clerk, Hon. John H. Waller, Jr., Assoc. Justice, S.C. Supreme Court, Judge of the 12th Judicial Circuit, 1993–94; Law Clerk, Hon. C. Weston Houck, Chief U.S. Dist. Judge, Dist. of S.C., 1994–96; mem., Beaufort Co. Council, 1999–12, Chm., 2003–12; 2004, 40 Under 40 Top Young Bus. Professionals in Savannah/Hilton Head; Bd. mem., S.C. Assn. of Counties, 2005–10, 2nd VP, 2011, 1st VP, 2012; Best of Bluffton Best Atty. Award, 2007; Univ. of S.C. Bd. of Visitors, 2008–12; former Bd. mem.: Sunset Rotary Club; Volunteers in Medicine; Leadership Hilton Head/Bluffton; mem.: Beaufort Co. Bar Assn.; Hilton Head Bar Assn., Treas., 1997–98, Secy., 1998–99, Pres., 1999–01; Liberty Fellows Class of 2015; mem., Church of the Cross, 1996; prev. serv. in House 2013–19.



NORRELL, Mandy Powers [D]—(Dist. No. 44, *Lancaster Co.*)—Atty.; residing in Lancaster; *b.* July 12 in Lancaster; *d.* the late Beverly B. and the late Carl R. Powers; *g.* Furman Univ., B.A., 1995, *cum laude*; Univ. of S.C. School of Law, J.D., 1997, *cum laude*; Mar. 18, 1995 *m.* Mitchell A. Norrell, 2 children, Powers Thaddeus and Emma Ross Isabella; Order of Wig and Robe, Univ. of S.C., 1994–95; Order of the Coif, Univ. of S.C., 1995; Atty., Partner, Norrell and Powers Norrell, Attys. at Law; City Atty., City of Lancaster, 1999–12; Town Atty., Town of Kershaw, 2010–12; S.C. Bar; N.C. Bar; S.C. Fed. Courts; Fourth Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals; Palmetto Citizens Against Sexual Assault, VC, 2008–; Univ. of S.C. School of Law Alumni Bd. of Dirs., 2003–12; Girl Scout Troop Leader, 2009–13; Dep. Minority Whip, 2012–14; Minority Caucus, Treas., 2014–;



Champion for Children Award, 2015; S.C. Sierra Club Legislator of the Year, 2016; S.C. Assn. of Clerks of Court & Registers of Deeds Legislator of the Year, 2016; Lancaster Co. NAACP Legislator of the Year, 2016; Liberty Fellowship Class of 2017; S.C. General Assembly Women's Caucus, Treas.; Dem. Candidate for Lt. Gov., 2018; S.C. Survivors Inspiration and Hope Award, 2018; 1st VC House Jud. Com., 2019–; Woman of the Year, Emerge S.C., 2019; Green Tie Award, CVSC, 2019; Legislator of the Year, Natl. Assn. of Social Workers, S.C. Chap., 2019; Riley Fellowship 2019; S.C. Inst. of Medicine and Public Health/Health Policy Fellows Prog., 2019; mem., First Baptist Church, Lancaster; prev. serv. in House 2013–19.



OREMUS, Melissa Lackey [R]—(Dist. No. 84, *Aiken Co.*)—Small Bus. Owner; residing in Aiken; *b.* Nov. 17, 1978 in Aiken; *d.* Danny L. Lackey and Patricia T. Welborn; *g.* Univ. of S.C. Aiken, B.S., 2001; Southern Wesleyan, M.S.M., 2008; Oct. 29, 2005 *m.* James T. Oremus, 3 children, Brooke Ashton, Jenna Carson, and Jacob Preston; Mead Hall School Bd., 2010–17; WSA Dev.

Com., 2001–13; Aiken Mid-Day Lions; mem., NRA; mem., Christian Heritage Church; elected in Special Election Oct. 1, 2019 to fulfill the unexpired term of Ronnie A. Young, deceased.



OTT, Russell L. [D]—(Dist. No. 93, *Calhoun-Lexington-Orangeburg Cos.*)—Businessman; residing at 135 Ott Farm Trail, St. Matthews; *b.* Mar. 26; *s.* Harry L., Jr. and Linda Fleming Ott; *g.* Clemson Univ., B.A., 2000; Univ. of S.C., M.P.A., 2003; 2 children, Lawson Legare and Bryce Jameson; former Town Admin. for towns of Elloree, North, and Neeses; S.C. Farm

Bureau, 2004–13; Med., Mil., Public & Municipal Affairs Com., 2014–; mem., Andrew Chapel United Methodist Church; prev. serv. in House Oct. 29, 2013–19.

PARKS, Julia Anne [D]—(Dist. No. 12, *Greenwood-McCormick Cos.*)—Mortician & Funeral Dir., Parks Funeral Home & Licensed Real Estate Agent; *b.* July 1, 1955 in Greenwood; *d.* Julia (Arnold) Parks and the late James Lloyd Parks, Jr.; *g.* Gupton-Jones School of Mortuary Science, 1977; Johnson C. Smith Univ., B.S., 1976; single; mem.: Greenwood City Council, 1988–96; Stop the Violence Com.; former mem.: COOL Bd.—Comm. Outreach Organized Learning; Budget Com. for United Way, 1996; Chamber of Commerce; Delta Sigma Theta Sor.; NAACP; Epsilon Nu Delta Mortuary Frat.; mem.: Organization of Concerned Citizens; Morris Chapel Baptist Church; prev. serv. in House 1997, 1999–19.



PENDARVIS, Marvin R. [D]—(Dist. No. 113, *Charleston-Dorchester Cos.*)—Atty.; residing in North Charleston; *b.* Oct. 13, 1989 in Charleston; *s.* Geneice Pendarvis and the late Marvin Mitchell; *g.* Univ. of S.C., B.A., 2011, J.D., 2014; Garrett Academy School Improvement Council; Bd. mem.: North Charleston Bd. of Zoning Appeals, 2016–17; Lowcountry Alliance of Model Comms., 2016–; The Royal Foundation, 2017–; Omega Psi Phi Frat., Inc.; prev. serv. in House Nov. 7, 2017–19.



POPE, Thomas E. “Tommy”, Speaker *Pro Tempore* (for biography and picture see p. 83).

RIDGEWAY, Robert Lee III [D]—(Dist. No. 64, *Clarendon-Sumter Cos.*)—Physician & Firefighter; residing at 117 N. Brooks St., Manning; *b.* Mar. 11, 1958 in Manning; *s.* Robert L., Jr. and Nettie Floyd Ridgeway; *g.* Univ. of S.C., M.D., 1988; May 23, 1978 *m.* Deborah Collins, 4 children, Margaret Victoria Ann, Richard Pollard, Robert Lee IV, and Caroline Bowman Ridgeway; Staff, S.C. State Firefighters Assn., 1976–; Pee Dee Firefighter’s Assn., 1979–; Clarendon Memorial Hosp., 1992–15;



Clarendon Memorial Hosp., Chief of Obstetrics & Gynecology, 1992–04; Chief of Staff, Clarendon Memorial Hosp., 1998–02; HopeHealth, 2015–; USAR, 3270th Army Hosp.; Deacon, Manning First Baptist Church; prev. serv. in House 2013–19.



RIVERS, Michael F., Sr. [D]—(Dist. No. 121, *Beaufort-Colleton Cos.*)—Minister; residing at 734 Seaside Rd., St. Helena Island; *b.* Oct. 16, 1958 in Baltimore, Md.; *s.* Cleaver B. Johnson and Julia Boles (biological parents) and Harris and Ophelia Rivers (parents); *g.* DeVry Inst., Tech. Certificate, 1980; Tech. Coll. of Lowcountry, CAD & Drafting certificate, 2003; Claflin Univ., B.S., 2008; single; 3 children, Monica, Michelle, and Michael, Jr., 2 grandchildren; mem.: Beaufort Co. Ministerial Alliance; NAACP; Beaufort Co. School Bd., 1998–16; mil. serv.: USAF, 1976–78; prev. serv. in House 2017–19.



ROBINSON, Leola C. [D]—(Dist. No. 25, *Greenville Co.*)—Retired Dir., Greenville Tech. Coll.; residing at 19 Prince Ave., Greenville; *b.* Sept. 28, 1944 in Belton; *d.* Clyde and Rosa Lee Coleman Clement; attended Shaw Univ., 1963; *g.* York Coll. of the City Univ. of New York (CUNY), B.A., 1975; Furman Univ., M.Ed., 1990; Brandeis Univ., Graduate Certificate in Exec. Policy & Mgmt., 1993; Leadership Greenville, 1980; 5 children, Aminah, Basheer, Hassan, Shakir, and William; Dir., ESAA, Greenville Urban League, 1976–80; Dir., Chamber of Commerce/Private Industry Council, 1980–88; Comm. Greenville Housing Authority, 1983–88; School Bd. Trustee, Dist. 25, 1996–12; Appalachian Council of Govts., 1996–06; founder, Center for Educational Equity (CEE) Success Center, 2000–12; Author, *Black America Greenville County*, (series) Arcadia Publishing, 2007; Greenville Co. Humanitarian Award, 1996; NAACP Freedom Fighter Award, 2003; GCEC Women Making History Award, 2006; Soroptomist Intl. Women of Distinction Award, 2008; mem., Epsilon Iota Zeta Chap., Zeta Phi Beta Sor., Inc.; prev. serv. in House 2013–19.

ROSE, Seth [D]—(Dist. No. 72, *Richland Co.*)—Atty.; residing in Columbia; *b.* Dec. 26, 1980; *s.* Gigi Rose; *g.* Univ. of S.C., B.A., 2003, J.D., 2007; Apr. 5, 2008 *m.* Anna Cartin, 3 children, Cole, Luke, and Matilda “Tillie”; S.C. Bar, 2007; Richland Co. Asst. Prosecutor, 2007–11; Richland Co. Councilman, 2011–19; First Team All-America Singles Player for Univ. of S.C.; Univ of S.C. Athletic Hall of Fame Inductee, 2014 (Men’s Tennis); prev. serv. in House 2019.



RUTHERFORD, James Todd [D]—(Dist. No. 74, *Richland Co.*)—Atty.; residing at 2321 Lincoln St., Columbia; *b.* Oct. 10, 1970 in Columbia; *s.* Harry and Karen Rutherford; *g.* Howard Univ., B.A., 1992; Univ. of S.C., J.D., 1996; 2 children, J. Todd II “Ty” and Tripp Benjamin; Legis. Asst., Congressman Robin Tallon, 1992–93; Owner, 3 Tech Integrated Systems, 1993; Asst. Solicitor/Special Prosecutor of Narcotic and Drug Cases, Fifth Solicitor’s Office, 1996–98; The Rutherford Law Firm, LLC, 1998–; Minority Leader, 2013–; Owner: 803 Trucking, LLC; WasteSouth, LLC; T.I.S. Consulting & Auto; Natl. Bd. mem., NAACP Special Contributions Fund; Bd. mem., Brookland Baptist Church; Comm. Credit Union; mem., S.C. Bar Assn.; prev. serv. in House 1999–19.



SANDIFER, Bill [R]—(Dist. No. 2, *Oconee-Pickens Cos.*)—Businessman; residing at 112 Cardinal Dr., Seneca; *b.* Feb. 21, 1945 in Aiken; *s.* the late William Edward, Jr. and the late Frances Harley Sandifer; *g.* Cincinnati Coll. of Mortuary Science, 1965; Nov. 6, 1981 *m.* Sandra Prater, 4 children, Wes, Jennifer, the late Will, and the late Lori; Pres.: S.C. Funeral Dirs. Assn., 1987; S.C. State Bd. of Funeral Serv., 1983; Seneca Chamber of Commerce, 1978; Chm., Bd. of Dirs.: Oconee Memorial Hosp., 1986–88; Fort Hill Natural Gas Authority, 1994; Champion of Housing Award, S.C. Home Builders, 1996–97; Hammer



and Trowel Award by Home Builders Assn. of S.C., 1998; Natl. Rep. Legislator of the Year, 2000; Bd. of Dirs., Seneca Natl. Bank; Legislator of the Year, S.C. Funeral Dirs. Assn., 2000; Legislator of the Year, City of Seneca, 2000; Legislator of the Year, S.C. Cemetery Assn., 2002; Legis. Leadership Award, S.C. Tel. Assn., 2002; S.C. Guardian of Small Bus. Award, Natl. Fed. of Independent Bus., 2002; Asst. Majority Leader, 2002–04; Legislator of the Year, S.C. Realtors Assn., 2002; Legis. Award by Amer. Legion, Dept. of S.C., 2003; Hall of Fame Award, Seneca Chamber of Commerce, 2004; 2003 Distinguished Serv. Award, Home Builders Assn. of Greenville; Special Legis. Award, S.C. Funeral Dirs. Assn., for highest office held by a mem. of the Assn.; Legislator of the Year, Manufactured Housing Inst. of S.C., 2009; Champion of Health Care, S.C. Med. Assn., 2009–; Distinguished Chairman of LCI, S.C. Funeral Dirs. Assn., 2009; “Peas & Carrots” Award by Citizens for Sound Conservation for “Improving our Environmental & Economical Quality of Life”, 2010, 2012; 2010, 2012 & 2013 Sword & Mace Award by S.C. BIPEC; Legislator of the Year, S.C. Cable Assn., 2010; inducted into the S.C. Homebuilder’s Hall of Fame, 2010; past Chm., Energy & Environmental Com., Southern Legis. Conf.; 2013 & 2014 Golden Apple Award, Natl. Coalition for Public School Options; 2013 Paul Harris Fellow Award, Seneca Rotary Club; 2013 Outstanding Serv. Award, United Way; 2013 W. Mack Chamblee Quality of Life Award, S.C. Realtors; 2013–14 Legislator of the Year Award, Natl. Guard Assn. of S.C.; Appreciation for Outstanding Leadership & Support, S.C. Assn. of CPAs, 2014; Profound Gratitude for Support of Captive Industry, S.C. Captive Ins. Assn., 2015; Bus. Advocate Award, S.C. Chamber of Commerce, 2015, 2016; Recognition for Perfect 100% Legis. Score, Palmetto Family, 2015–16; Rep. of the Year, S.C. Pawnbrokers Assn., 2016; mem., Treas., Southern States Energy Bd.; mil. serv.: SCARNG, 20 years, retired Maj.; prev. serv. in House 1995–19.