

SCOTT, Keishan M. [D]—(Dist. No. 50, Kershaw-*Lee*-Sumter Cos.)—Minister & Paralegal; *b.* Dec. 2 in Lee Co.; *s.* Lashan Scott and Tiffany Carter; *g.* Central Carolina Tech. Coll., A.S., 2019; Univ. of S.C., B.S., 2023, *magna cum laude*; published the Christian book, *Keys to the Kingdom*; Bd. mem., Lee Co. Council on Aging; Lee Co. NAACP, 3rd VP; elected in Special Election June 3, 2025, to fulfill the unexpired term of William W. Wheeler III, resigned.



SESSIONS, Heath [R]—(Dist. No. 46, *York* Co.)—VP, Construction; *b.* Nov. 24, 1976, in Spartanburg; *g.* Univ. of S.C., B.A., 2004; *m.* 2004, 3 children; Historic Rock Hill Bd., 2021–; Camp Canaan Bd., 2022; Winthrop Stakeholder Bd., 2022; Deacon, Oakland Baptist Church, 2019–20, Personnel Chm., 2020, 2022; prev. serv. in House 2023–25.

SMITH, George Murrell, Jr., Speaker (for biography and picture see p. 73).



SMITH, Marvin "Mark" [R]—(Dist. No. 99, *Berkeley* Co.)—Small Bus. Owner; *b.* June 18, 1970, in Bamberg; *s.* the late Randy Smith and Linda Bunch Duffie; *g.* Fayetteville Tech. Coll., A.A., 1993; Oct. 24, 1993, *m.* Elayne Forastiere, 3 sons, Parker, Avery, and Domenic; Pres. & CEO, McAlister-Smith Funeral Homes Inc.; Town councilman, Mt. Pleasant, 2013; Graduate, S.C. Municipal Elected Officials Inst., 2015; past Pres., E. Cooper Rep. Club; Pres., Daniel Island Rep. Club; mem., Daniel Island Rotary Club; past Pres., Rotary Club of Charleston; past Chm.: Low Country Food Bank, S.C. Aging in Place Council, Cremation Assn. of N. America; past VC, S.C. Alzheimer's Assn.; Volunteer participant, Water Missions Intl., Water System Installations in both Ecuador and Peru; Chm., Roper St. Francis Mt. Pleasant Hosp. Bd., 2020–; past Chm., S.C. Adv.

Com. on Aging, 2020; mem., St. Clare of Assisi Catholic Church, Daniel Island; prev. serv. in House 2021–25.



SPANN-WILDER, Tiffany R. [D]—(Dist. No. 109, *Charleston*-Dorchester Cos.)—Atty.; *b.* Feb. 1 in Charleston; *d.* Geneva Spann; *g.* Winthrop Univ., B.A., *cum laude*, 1995; Univ. of S.C. School of Law, J.D., 1998; Mar. 17 *m.* Sgt. Jeffery Wilder, 2 children, Jared and Lauren; Law Clerk, Hon. Matthew J. Perry, Jr., 1998–99; N. Charleston Municipal Judge, 2001–05; Comr., S.C. Gov.'s Comm. on Women, 2002–08; Pres., S.C. Young Lawyers Div. of the Bar, 2008–09; S.C. Bar Bd. of Govs. & House of Delegates, 2009–10; Univ. of S.C. Compleat Lawyer Award, 2010; Leadership S.C., 2010; Liberty Fellowship, 2013; Leadership S.C. Alumnus of the Year, Dick & Tunky Riley Award, 2013; The Riley Diversity Leadership, 2016; Charleston Co. Magistrate, 2019–23; Girl Scouts of America, life mem.; mem.: Delta Sigma Theta Sor. Inc.; The Links Inc.; Jack and Jill of America Inc.; prev. serv. in House Apr. 2, 2024–25.



STAVRINAKIS, Leonidas Emmanuel "Leon" [D]—(Dist. No. 119, *Charleston* Co.)—Atty.; *b.* in Charleston; *g.* Coll. of Charleston, B.A., 1988; Univ. of S.C. School of Law, J.D., 1992; Chm., Charleston Co. Council, 2005–06; Co. Council, 1999–06; Asst. Solicitor, Ninth Circuit, 1993–96; prev. serv. in House 2007–25.



TAYLOR, Bill [R]—(Dist. No. 86, *Aiken*-Lexington Cos.)—Full-time Legislator/Retired Media Consultant; *b.* July 16, 1946, in Aurora, Ill.; *s.* the late Harold and the late Pearl Taylor; attended Bradley Univ., Journalism; Nov. 2, 1970, *m.* Donna J., 2 children, Kasey Taylor Lenz and William Ryan Taylor; mem., House Legis. Oversight Com., 2015–20; Majority Caucus Whip, 2013–16; S.C. Chamber of Commerce "Bus. Advocate Award",

2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2016; S.C.-BIPEC "Champion of Free Enterprise", 2012; Palmetto Family Alliance "A" Rating, 2012, 2017; NRA "A" Rating, 2012, 2014, 2016; NRA "A+" Rating, 2018, 2020, 2022; Convention of States "Abraham Lincoln Leadership Award", 2018; ABATE's Comm. Leader Award, 2019; Television News Dir./Anchor/Reporter, 1965–76; Pres., Illinois News Broadcasters Assn., 1974; Television News Consultant, 1976–07; Co-founder & CEO of media research & consulting firms based in Dallas, Los Angeles, and London, 1978–07; Consultant to Pres. George H.W. Bush's "Points of Light" initiative, 1991–92; named "Fifth Estater", Broadcast & Cable Magazine, 1998; Founder & Commander, Civil Air Patrol Squadron, Rockford, Ill., 1968–70; Amer. Red Cross, Aiken Co. Chap., Bd. mem., 2007–16, Chm., 2009–10, VC, 2010–12; Aiken Salvation Army, Adv. Bd. mem., 2013–; Aiken Symphony Orchestra, Bd. mem., 2016–; 32° Mason & Shriner; mem., Rotary Club of Aiken, 2009–20; mem., Labor, Commerce and Industry Com.; Del., Natl. Federalism Comm., 2023–; mem., Millbrook Baptist Church, Aiken; prev. serv. in House 2011–25.



TEEPLE, James E. [R]—(Dist. No. 116, *Charleston*-Colleton Cos.)—Small Bus. Owner/Entrepreneur; *b.* Dec. 20, 1979, in San Diego, Calif.; *s.* Stephen E. Teeple and Sheila Calhoun; *g.* Missouri State Univ., B.S., Bus., 2006; currently enrolled in graduate prog. at The Citadel; *m.* Janelle Diane, 2 children, Isaac and Kinsey; U.S. Navy Veteran; Naval Air Weapons Station-China Lake, Sailor of the Year, 2001; Naval Air Warfare Center-Weapons Div., Sailor of the Year, 2001; Bluejacket of the Year, 2001; mem.: Charleston Metro Chamber of Commerce; Amer. Legion; Exchange Club of Charleston; Charles Towne Lodge No. 14 AFM; lifetime mem., Rep. Caucus; mem., Coastal Comm. Church, Charleston; prev. serv. in House 2025.



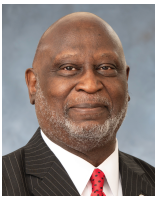
TERRIBILE, Jackie R. [R]—(Dist. No. 66, *York* Co.)—Consultant, Marketing; *b.* Feb. 2 in Staten Island, N.Y.; *d.* Douglas and Susan Rosenthal; *g.* Univ. at Albany, B.S., 1997; May 4, 2002, *m.* Michael P. Terribile III, 2 children, Michael IV and Carter; S.C. State Bd. mem., 19th Judicial Circuit, 2023–; prev. serv. in House 2025.



VAUGHAN, David [R]—(Dist. No. 27, *Greenville* Co.)—Gen. Contractor & Businessman; *b.* Jan. 21, 1965, in Greenville; *s.* the late Marion and Sara Vaughan; *g.* Univ. of S.C., B.S., 1987; Aug. 19, 1989, *m.* Celeste Martin, 3 children, Miranda, Trevor, and Marlee; Bus. Owner, 1996–; Gen. Contractor, 1998–; Greenville Legis. Delegation Transportation Com., 2018–22; mem., Brookwood Church, 2010–; prev. serv. in House 2023–25.



WATERS, Courtney S. [D]—(Dist. No. 113, *Charleston* Co.)—Non-profit Exec.; *g.* Rhodes Coll., B.A., 2011; Univ. of Mississippi, M.A., 2013; 1 child; Educator, Mississippi Teacher Corps, 2011–13; Sales & Marketing Rep., ARD Logistics & Key Logistics Solutions, 2013–18; Bd. mem., Teacher Supply Closet, 2014–16; Trustee, Charleston Co. School Dist., 2020–24; Mentor, Coll. of Charleston Teacher Leader Program, 2023–; Urban Land Inst. REDI Charleston Fellow, 2025; Teach for America, Senior Managing Dir., External Affairs, 2018–22, S.C. Exec. Dir., 2022–; mem., Alpha Kappa Alpha Sor., Inc.; prev. serv. in House Mar. 25, 2025.



WEEKS, David [D]—(Dist. No. 51, *Sumter* Co.)—Atty.; *b.* Sept. 24, 1953, in Sumter; *s.* the late Goliath Brunson, Sr. and the late Eartha Lee Weeks Brunson; *g.* Morris Coll., B.A., 1975; Howard Univ., M.Ed., 1996; Univ. of S.C., J.D., 1989; Morris Coll., School of Religion, 1996; Aug. 31, 1985, *m.* Cheryl Elaine Hannibal, 2 children, Lynette and Davida; Chm., Sumter City-Co. Planning Comm., 1998–00; Chm., Sumter Co. Voter Registration Bd., 1994; Municipal Court Judge, Timmonsville, 1996–00; Morris Coll. Bd. of Trustees, 2001–21; Review & Oversight Com.; S.C. Ports Authority; Ag. Head Salary Comm.; Deacon and church school teacher, Jehovah Missionary Baptist Church; prev. serv. in House 2001–25.



WETMORE, Elizabeth "Spencer" [D]—(Dist. No. 115, *Charleston* Co.)—Atty., Wetmore Law Firm; *b.* Apr. 22, 1983, in Charleston; *d.* Kell Brunson Compton and Melinda Lucka Kelley; *g.* Princeton Univ., A.B., 2005; Vanderbilt Univ. School of Law, J.D., 2010; May 3, 2014, *m.* Burns Malone Wetmore, 2 children; Asst. Solicitor, Charleston Co., 2010–14; City Admin., City of Folly Beach, 2014–20; mem., Tourism Expenditure Review Com., 2018–20; prev. serv. in House Aug. 11, 2020–25.



WHITE, Joseph S. "Joe" [R]—(Dist. No. 40, Lexington-*Newberry* Cos.)—Retired Businessman; *b.* Dec. 13, 1945, in Rockwood, Tenn.; *s.* Joseph and Theda White; *g.* Univ. of Tenn. Knoxville; Feb. 23, 1968, *m.* Linda Friel, 2 children, Christopher and Robin; CEO, Med. Comfort Systems Inc., 1982–17; mil. serv.: USAF, 1966–69; prev. serv. in House 2023–25.



WHITMIRE, William Ramsey [R]—(Dist. No. 1, *Oconee*-Pickens Cos.)—Retired Educ., School Dist. of Oconee Co. & Owner, S & W Farms; *b.* Aug. 24, 1948, in Seneca; *s.* Ramsey and Marie Fagan Whitmire; *g.* Piedmont Coll., A.B., 1972; The Hunt Inst. for Public Educ. Policy Initiatives; July 26, 1975, *m.* Kathy Lynn Pittard, 3 children; Mayor of Walhalla, 2000–02; Mayor *Pro Tempore*, 1998–99; Bd. of Dirs., Walhalla Chamber of Commerce; mem.: Westminister Chamber of Commerce; Walhalla Rotary Club; Walhalla Lions Club; Walhalla Sertoma Club; Amer. Legion Post 124; Oconee Heritage Center; Patriot's Hall Assn.; Walhalla Oktoberfest Com.; Walhalla City Council; Walhalla Civic Auditorium Bd. of Dirs.; Asst. Coach Walhalla High School, 1976–80; Walhalla High School Football Public Announcer, 1993–; Bd. mem.: S.C. Council on Accreditation and School Improvement; Southern Assn. of Colls. and Schools; Walhalla Jaycees; mem.: Educ. Com. of the Southern Legis. Conf.; S.C.-Ga. Savannah River Caucus; Chm., Com. to Screen Candidates for Bds. of Trustees of State Colls. & Univs.; Soc. of Descendants of the U.S. Constitution; Educ. Oversight Com.; 2010 Amer. Legion Legislator of the Year; 2010, 2011 Bus. Advocate Awards; Historic Old Pickens Foundation; Sportsmen's Caucus; mem., Oconee Co. Soil & Water Conservation Dist.; Chm., Oconee Co. Delegation, 2009–11; mem., Jt. Transportation Review Com.; S.C. House Veteran Caucus; House Mil. Caucus; S.C. Legis. Prayer Caucus; St. Luke's Methodist Church, Outreach Com. Chm., Archives Com. Chm.; Pastor Parish Relations Com.; Walhalla Sesquicentennial Comm.; USAF Auxiliary Civil Air Patrol; mem., 2nd VC, Ways & Means Com.; mil. serv.: USAR, 1971–77; prev. serv. in House 2003–25.



WICKENSIMER, Paul B. [R]—(Dist. No. 22, *Greenville* Co.)—Retired; *b.* June 4 in Ohio; *s.* Rex and Louise Wickensimer; *g.* Southern Wesleyan Univ., B.S., 2007; 2 children, Kami and Grant; Greenville Co. Council, 1985–00, Chm., 1997–98; Greenville Co. Clerk of Court, 2000–23; former mem. and past Pres., Rotary Club of Greenville; past Chm., Rotary Charities; former mem. and past Chm., Greenville Tech. Paralegal Adv. Com.; Graduate, Leadership Greenville, Class 46; former ex-officio Bd. mem., Greenville Co. Bar Assn.; former mem., S.C. Family Court CFS Project Adv. Com.; former mem., S.C. ADR Comm.; mem., First Monday and Adv. Com.; past mem., Univ. Center of Greenville Bd. of Trustees; past Pres. and former mem. of the S.C. Clerks of Court and Register of Deeds Assn.; Retired Mgmt. employee of BellSouth (AT&T); former Chm. of the new Taylors, S.C. Branch Library Com.; former Greenville Chamber of Commerce Bd. mem.; former Treas. and Fundraising Com. mem. for the new Hughes Main Library; past Pres. and former mem., N. Greenville Rotary; former Bd. mem.: S.C. Telco Credit Union (Spero Fin.); Appalachian Council of Govts.; Miracle Hill Ministries; S.C. Chief Justice's Technology Task Force; served on the S.C. Supreme Court Docket Mgmt. Task Force and E-Filing Coms.; former Bd. mem. and past Bd. Chm., Friends of the Greenville Zoo; awards: Clerk of Court of the Year, 2006, from Amer. Bd. of Trial Advocates; Terry Haskins Memorial Award, 2005; Liberty Bell Award from the Greenville Co. Bar Assn., 2010; Order of the Palmetto from Gov. Henry D. McMaster, 2021.



WILLIAMS, Robert Quintin [D]—(Dist. No. 62, *Darlington*-Florence Cos.)—Bus. Dev. Consultant; *b.* July 12, 1964, in Darlington; *s.* the late Robbie "Mae" Williams; *g.* Voorhees Coll., B.S., 1982–84, 1990–91; Troy State Univ., M.P.A., 1999–03; Dec. 5, 1992, *m.* Janice Ham-Williams, 3 children, Jacobie, Rodrick, and Jarell; mem., BDPA Data Processing Assn.; Bd. mem., Round O. Missionary Baptist Church, Man of the Year Award, 2001;

former coach, Darlington Co. Recreation Dept.; Phi Beta Sigma Frat. Inc.; Florence Chamber of Commerce, Humanitarian Award, 2002; mem., VFW; Amer. Legion; DAV; GSSM Adv. Bd.; Voorhees Coll. Hall of Fame; Leadership & Entrepreneur Adv. Council, Hartsville; Health Policy Fellow, 2015; mil. serv.: SCARNG, Army Achievement Medal, 2002 and 2004, Army Commendation Medal, 2005; Veteran of the Operation Iraq Freedom, 2005; Retired Combat Veteran, 2018; prev. serv. in House 2007–25.



WILLIS, Mark Nye [R]—(Dist. No. 16, *Greenville*-Laurens Cos.)—Long Term Care Admin.; *b.* Aug. 1, 1963, in Greenville; *s.* the late Jack and the late Gerry Willis; *g.* Erskine Coll., B.A., 1986; June 4, 1988, *m.* Tracy Langston, 3 children, Mary-Langston, -Elledge, and Reeves; mem., Fountain Inn First Baptist Church; prev. serv. in House 2009–25.



WOOTEN, Christopher Sloan "Chris" [R]—(Dist. No. 69, *Lexington* Co.)—Businessman; *b.* Aug. 28, 1968, in Greer; *s.* the late John Wooten and Kay Brank; Greer High School, 1986; Northern Virginia Comm. Coll., 1988–90; 3 children, Woods, Carsan, and Zuri; Presidential Protection Detail (Presidents Ronald Reagan and George Bush), 1988–91; S.C. State Trooper, 1992–99; bus. owner in Lexington, 2000–; mil. serv.: USMC, 1987–91; prev. serv. in House May 1, 2018–25.



YOW, Richard Lloyd "Richie" [R]—(Dist. No. 53, *Chesterfield*-Darlington-Lancaster Cos.)—Air Force Veteran & Retired ANG; *b.* Oct. 28, 1974, in Cheraw; *s.* the late Ricky and Judy Jones Yow; *m.* Crystal Lee Wallace, 1 child, RJ; life mem.: Disabled Veterans Assn.; NRA; NGA; mem.: Natl. Wild Turkey Fed.; VFW; Amer. Legion; S.C. Meritorious Serv. Award; S.C. Palmetto Serv. Award; USAF Commendation Award; Louisiana Emergency

Serv. Award; NCNG Achievement Award; 6 USAF Achievement Awards; 2 USAF Outstanding Unit Awards with Valor Device; 6 USAFR Forces Meritorious Serv. Awards; Natl. Defense Serv. Award; 2 Southwest Asia Serv. Awards; USAF Overseas Short Tour Ribbon; 2 USAF Longevity Serv. Awards; 2 Armed Forces Reserve Awards; Lower Macedonia Baptist Church Father of the Year; mil. serv.: USAF, 1992–95; SCANG, 1995–03; NCANG, 2004–09; VIANG, 2009–11; NCANG, 2012–14; prev. serv. in House 2015–25.