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Education

- 1976-88 Doctoral course work (36 hours), Political Science (Public Administration) University of South Carolina
- 1974 MA (History) University of South Carolina. Thesis: "Four Romano-British Towns and the End of Roman Britain."
- 1967 BA (History) Furman University *magna cum laude* (minors: Greek and Political Science)

Additional Training

- 2002 Certified Grants Reviewer, Research Associates
- 2000 Certified Grants Specialist, Research Associates
- 1995 Certificate, S. C. Executive Institute
- 1978 Certificate, Modern Archives Institute, National Archives

Employment

- 2014 - 2021 Senior Instructor, Department of History, Political Science and Philosophy, USC – Aiken
- 2007 - 2014 Instructor, Department of History, Political Science and Philosophy, USC – Aiken.
- 2009 – 2012 Faculty liaison Sand River Teaching American History, 2009 – 2012.
- 2006 - Archivist, USCA Institutional Archives, USC-Aiken
- 2002 – 2007 Instructor (part time), Department of History, Political Science and Philosophy, USC-Aiken
- 2001 - Principal, AJH Historical Enterprises
- 2001-2011 Consultant for Special Projects, SC Department of Archives and History.

- 2001-03 Adjunct Faculty, Humanities Department, Midlands Technical College.
- 1999-01 Director of Special Projects and Editor, *Biographical Directory of the SC House of Representatives*,
S. C. Department of Archives and History. Retired 30 June 2001
- 1996-99 Director of Education, S. C. Department of Archives and History
- 1988-96 Director of Public Programs Division, S. C. Department of Archives and History
- 1976-88 Supervisor, Reference and Research Branch, S. C. Department of Archives and History
-Acting Director, Archives Division, June - Sept 1988
-Acting Assistant Director for Archives and Publications, September – November 1987
- 1972-76 Assistant Reference Archivist, S. C. Department of Archives and History
- 1969-72 Archivist I, S. C. Department of Archives and History
- 1968-69 Archival Assistant, Reference, SC Department of Archives and History
- 1967-68 Graduate Assistant, Department of History, University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC
- Summer 1967 Teacher, U. S. Government Summer Migrant School, Beaufort County, SC

Publications

Books, Documentary Readers, and Curriculum Materials

Lost History of Aiken County, SC (The History Press, February 2019)

Columbia, SC: a history (The History Press, spring 2015)

Wicked Edisto: the Dark Side of Eden (The History Press, spring 2014)

Wicked Columbia: Vice & Villainy in SC's Capital (The History Press, spring 2013)

Wicked Beaufort: Murder and Mayhem under the Live Oaks (The History Press, May 2011);
electronic version, 2012.

Persevering in Faith: a Centennial History of Eason Memorial Baptist Church, Eastover, SC 1910 – 2010

(October 2010)

A History of North Carolina Wines (The History Press, July 2010); electronic version, 2011.

Hidden History of Greenville, South Carolina (The History Press, September 2009)

Lost Columbia, South Carolina's Capital City (The History Press, October 2008)

A Guide to Historic Henderson County, North Carolina with Dr. George A. Jones (The History Press, October 2007)

A Guide to Historic Beaufort, South Carolina (The History Press, September 2006)

Beaufort: A History (The History Press, June 2005)

The South Carolina Map (historical annotations, The George F. Cram Company, 2003).

South Carolinians in the War for American Independence (SCDAH 2000). Notable SC State Document 2001.

The Many Faces of Slavery: Documents from the South Carolina Department of Archives and History, with Pat McCawley (SCDAH 1999). Notable SC State Document 2000.

South Carolina Secedes: A Drama in Three Acts (SCDAH 1998)

South Carolina's African American Confederate Pensioners, 1923 – 1925 (SCDAH 1998)

Silent Cities: Cemeteries and Classrooms (SCDAH 1997)

Unsung Heroines of the Carolina Frontier (SCDAH 1997)

The Henderson County (N. C.) Revolutionary Pensioners of 1840(1996). Willie Parker Peace Prize, North Carolina Society of Historians, 1997

African American Genealogical Research, with Paul R. Begley and Steven D. Tuttle (SCDAH, 1996)

The Changing Face of South Carolina Politics, with Herb Hartsook (SCDAH 1993)

South Carolina Court Records: An Introduction for Genealogists, with Michael Stauffer (SCDAH 1993)

Researching Family History: a Workbook (SCDAH 1992; rev. ed. 1996))

The First Baptist Church of Irmo, South Carolina: An Historical Overview (1992)

Harbison: An Historical Sketch (1986)

Media

Historian, narrator, "Calls to Greatness: History," and "Calls to Greatness: Literature," Actors Theatre of South Carolina, SC Humanities Grant, 2020

Historian, narrator, Historical Flat Rock video, 2018-2020

Author interviewee, "By the River," SCETV/University of South Carolina series of interviews with lowcountry PBS "Read Across America" initiative. Official launch 13 September 2018. Helsley interview aired 4 October 2018.

Historian/actor, *Radical Son*, docudrama written and produced by the Actors' Theatre of South Carolina, 2016

Guest, "Lowcountry Live," ABC affiliate, Charleston, SC, 2014

Panelist (SCETV), "Focus: Census," 2010.

Guest (SCETV), "Connections: Black Genealogy," 2008.

Creator and Host, "Branches" (SCETV) - an eight-part television series featuring South Carolina documents useful for genealogical research. First aired March 2005.

Presenter (Greenwood School District 50), "Focus," 2002.

Panelist (SCETV) - "Great Divides," multi-session program examining causes of racial divisions in South Carolina, produced in association with the Greater Columbia Community Relations Council, 1999.

Articles, Chapters & Essays

"Touching History: Preserving and Experiencing Historical Connections - The 'Pilgrim of Liberty' Lafayette's Return to South Carolina in 1825," *Proceedings of the South Carolina Historical Society*, 2019.

"Better Babies:" Dr. Daniel Lesesne Smith, his Baby Hospitals and the Southern Pediatric Seminar," requested chapter in *Recovering Upstate History, II* (University of South Carolina

December 2018)

"A Boy, A Girl and A Train," requested chapter, *Prince of Scribes* (University of Georgia Press September 2018) Winner of a number of awards, including Best Anthology in the 2020 Independent Press Awards

"The Catawba Nation in the American Revolution," *Proceedings of the South Carolina Historical Association*, 2018. Awarded Daniel Hollis prize for best academic paper 2019-2020 by the SC Historical Association, March, 2020.

"A Roadside Guide to SC Counties in the American Revolution," *County Focus*, Abbeville – Colleton, 2016 - present

Article: "Sarah Shattuck" in *An Encyclopedia of American Women at War*, ed. Lisa Tendrick Frank (ABC-CLIO 2013)

"Stains & Strains of Southern History" and "Remembering Millen," *A Miscellany in honor of the 75th birthday of Robert Millen Ellis* (Clemson, July 2012).

"Washington in Retirement," requested chapter in *Companion to George Washington* (Wiley-Blackwell, May 2012)

"The Burning of Columbia," requested focus piece in Robert Moore, *History of South Carolina* [Third Grade Textbook] (Clairmont Press, July 2012)

"Loom Town: The Rise & Fall of Textile Manufacturing: An Upstate Story" and "The Five Visionaries Who Put Greenville on the Map," *Town Magazine* [Greenville, SC] (January 2012)

"Estate Tales," *Grand Strand Magazine* (Spring/Summer 2010)

"Rebecca Motte," requested chapter in *South Carolina Women: Their Lives and Times* (University of Georgia Press, June 2009)

"In Memoriam: Charles E. Lee," *SCAAzette*, 11:1 (April 2009)

"The Five Visionaries Who Put Greenville on the Map," *G – A Magazine of Greenville* (January 2009)

"USCA Archives: An Introduction," *SCAAzette*, 10:2 (Spring 2008) with Jane H. Tuten

"Monadnocks" and "Disturbing the Dead," *G – A Magazine of Greenville* (May 2008)

Encyclopedia articles: "Port Royal," "Angelina Grimke," and "Cicero." *The Encyclopedia of Antislavery and Abolition* (Greenwood Press, 2006)

Encyclopedia articles: "Bamberg," "Board of Public Works," "Darlington," "Fairfield County," "Georgetown County," "Hartsville," "John P. Grace," "Lighthouses," "Newberry," "North Augusta," "Ports and Harbors," "Winnsboro" "Thomas Lynch, Sr.," "Thomas Lynch, Jr.," "William Wragg," "Boonesborough Township," "William Aiken House," "Wilbur J. Cash," "David Duncan Wallace," "Edward McCrady," "James Hammond Tillman," "Henry Laurens Pinckney," "John Lawson," "Pat Conroy," "J. G. Anderson," "Alfred Andrew Dexter," "Jimmie L. Hamilton," "Dexter C. Martin," "Claude Richelieu McMillan," "John Rose," "Benjamin Mack Sawyer," "E. J. Watson," "John Wilson," "Aeronautics Commission," "Carolina (ship)," "Atlantic Ocean," "Owens Field," "Whiskey Road," "Highway Department," and "Internal Improvements Campaign (1820s)." *South Carolina Encyclopedia* (University of South Carolina Press, 2006)

"A Roadside Guide to South Carolina County Seats," *County Focus* (2006 – 2016) Abbeville – York

"Mitchell King Builds His Dream House: A Chapter in the Life of Mitchell King," *Proceedings of the South Carolina Historical Society*, (2003)

"The Battle of King's Mountain," *Henderson County (NC) Genealogical and Historical Society Journal* (2003)

"South Carolina Lighthouses," *South Carolina Voyager* (Fall 2003)

"Refuge – a Chapter in Mountain History," *Henderson County (NC) Genealogical and Historical Society Journal* (2002)

"The Jolly Genealogist's Roots Cellar," *Sandlapper* (October 2001)

"A Roadside Guide to South Carolina Counties," *County Focus* (1994-2006) Abbeville - York

Contributor, *Discovering the Carolinas*, (1994-2004)

"Henry Campbell and Susan Petigru King," *Proceedings of the South Carolina Historical Association*, (2001)

"The Catawba and American Liberty," *South Carolina Historical Magazine* 96 (1995)

"Vox Populi and the Fall of Fort Fisher," *South Carolina Historical Magazine* 96 (1995)

Foreword, *Rice and the Making of South Carolina: An Introductory Essay* by Daniel C. Littlefield. Columbia: S. C. Department of Archives and History, 1995.

"The Scots Irish: a Migrational Overview," *Henderson County (NC) Genealogical and Historical Society Journal* (1994)

"Saving South Carolina's Records," *The South Carolina Magazine of Ancestral Research* (1993)

"Modern Military Records," "1854 List of Continental Soldiers," "Purchasing State Land," "Tax Return and Record Books," "The Commissioners of the Poor," "The Accounts Audited for Revolutionary Service," "The Court of General Sessions," "The County Court," "The Court of Common Pleas," "The Court of Equity," "The Probate Court," *Carolina Herald* (1992-6)

"Robert Bentham Boylston," *American Legislative Leaders, 1850-1910*, ed. Charles F. Ritter and Jon L. Wakelyn (NY: Greenwood Press, 1989)

"Harbison College: Metamorphoses of a Dream," *Proceedings of the South Carolina Historical Association, 1988* (1989)

"Records of the General Assembly: a Neglected Genealogical Source," *The South Carolina Magazine of Ancestral Research* (1986)

"William R. Huntt and the Rescue of South Carolina's Records," *South Carolina Historical Magazine* (1986)

"Roads and Markets: Henderson County Petitions the South Carolina Legislature," *Henderson County, North Carolina, Genealogical and Historical Society Journal* (1986)

"South Carolina," *Genealogical Research: Methods and Sources, I*, ed. Milton Rubincam (1980)

"Black Confederates," *South Carolina Historical Magazine* (1973)

Book/manuscript reviews

North Carolina Historical Review, American Archivist, and the South Carolina Historical Magazine
Reviewer, George C. Roger, Jr Prize, SC Historical Society, 2014-2015
Manuscript reviewer, University of South Carolina Press

Selected Presentations

2020 "Norse Greenland – Questions without Answers" – accepted South

- Carolina Historical Association. Due COVID 19, meeting rescheduled for March 2021.
- “Better Babies:’ Dr. Daniel Lesesne Smith, the Baby Hospitals and the Pediatric Institute,” Spartanburg County Library (streamed)
- “Better Babies:’ Dr. Daniel Lesesne Smith, the Baby Hospitals and the Pediatric Institute,” Spartanburg Historic Society Lunch ‘n Learn (streamed)
- “Catalysts for Change: SC Suffragists,” USC Chapter, NSDAR, Columbia, SC
- “Wicked Columbia,” Old Powder Magazine Lunch Lecture Series, Charleston, SC (streamed)
- 2019
- “Graniteville and Horse Creek Textile Industry: overcoming adversity,” Horse Creek Historical Society, Graniteville, SC
- “USCA: a Gregg-Graniteville Legacy,” Gregg-Graniteville Library, USCA
- “Lost Aiken”: Dreams & Dreamers, Aiken County Historical Society
- “George Washington in Retirement,” Nancy Carson Library, North Augusta, SC
- Humanities scholar/panelist, “Shakespeare for All: MacBeth,” Charleston and St. Matthews, SC
- 2018
- “SC’s Coastal Defensives, War of 1812,” South Carolina Daughters of the War of 1812”
- “Touching History: Preserving and Experiencing Historical Connections: “The Pilgrim of Liberty” Lafayette’s Return to South Carolina in 1825,” South Carolina Historical Association, SC Department of Archives and History
- “Touching History – what are we saving and why” PALMCOP, Lutheran Theological Seminary
- “First Reading of the Emancipation Proclamation in SC,” Nancy Carson Library, North Augusta, SC.
- 2017
- “The ‘Pilgrim of Liberty’ Visits South Carolina: The Marquis de Lafayette in 1825,” Nineteenth Century Studies Association, Charleston, South Carolina
- “The Catawba in the American Revolution in South Carolina,” South Carolina Historical Association, Bob Jones University
- “Better Babies: Dr. Daniel Lesesne Smith and the Spartanburg Baby Hospital,” South Carolina Historical Society, Bob Jones University
- 2016
- “Fight or Flight:” South Carolina African Americans in the Civil War, Palmetto Connections, USC Aiken
- 2015
- “Richard Pearis: Conflict & Consensus on the Southern Frontier,” Palmetto Connections, USC Beaufort
- “Richard Pearis of Winchester, Virginia,” Shenandoah Valley Regional

- Studies Seminar, James Madison University
- 2014 "The Battle of the Great Cane Brake: a Revolutionary Tale of the Carolina Backcountry," Henderson County Genealogical and Historical Society
- "Blurring the Lines: Classroom and Archives," CSRA-LA (Central Savannah River Area Library Association), USC Aiken
- "Richard Pearis: Conflict and Consensus on the Frontier," Ulster American Symposium, University of Georgia
- "Wicked Edisto: the Dark Side of Eden," Old Powder Magazine lecture series, Charleston
- "Crime of the Century: the Murder of N. G. Gonzales," Henderson County Genealogical and Historical Society
- 2013 "Mary Barnwell Elliott Johnstone's Civil War," SC Historical Association
- 2012 "From Scuppernong to Syrah: a history of NC grapes and wine," Old Buncombe Genealogical Society
- "Tales from the Civil War Home Front: Mary Elliott Johnstone, Flat Rock, NC"
- 2011 Panelist, SC Book Festival, May
- "Honor and Family: a deadly mix," Greenville County Genealogical Society.
- "The Blakes of Combahee and Fletcher," Henderson County Genealogical and Historical Society
- 2010 "History of NC Wine," Authors Luncheon Series, UNC Asheville
- "Wine as Food," Panelist, Southeastern Independent Booksellers Alliance Trade Show, Daytona Beach, Florida
- 2009 "Before there was a Greenville," Greenville County [SC] Main Library
- "Rebecca Motte: Revolutionary South Carolinian," South Carolina Women: Their Lives and Times Symposium, USC
- "Sources for the History of Women in the SC Department of Archives and History," SAWH Southern Conference on Women's History, USC
- Moderator, "SC Writers Panel," Southern Independent Booksellers Alliance Trade Show, Greenville, SC
- 2008 "Migration to and Within the South;" "Indian Interactions with Europeans," "Black Slaves and Free Blacks in the South," and "South Carolina," Institute of Genealogical and Historical Research, Samford University, Birmingham, Alabama
- "Writing Local History," SC Book Festival
- 2007 Master Class – "Using Historical Documents in Writing Nonfiction," SC Book Festival
- 2006 "South Carolina History and Characters," SC Book Festival
- "South Carolina," and "Migration Trails of the Old South," Institute of Genealogical and Historical Research, Samford University, Birmingham, Alabama

- "African American Genealogy" and "Beaufort, SC", SC Genealogical Society's Summer Workshop
- 2004** "South Carolina," Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research, Samford University, Birmingham, Alabama
- 2003** "Copyright and Genealogy" and "Oral History and Genealogy," SC Genealogical Society's Summer Workshop
- 2002** "Mitchell King Builds his Dream House," SC Historical Association
"South Carolina," Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research, Samford University
- 2001** "Picturing History," South Carolina Council for the Social Studies
"The Carmilles and Irvines, Exceptions to the Rule," South Carolina Historical Association
- 2000** "An 1850s South Carolina Legislator---Henry Campbell King," South Carolina Historical Association
"South Carolina," Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research, Samford University, Birmingham, Alabama
- 1999** "The Heart of the Matter: Using Primary Sources in the Classroom," Society of Georgia Archivists
"African American History and Heritage," *The Great Divides* (SCETV)
- 1998** "South Carolina," Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research, Samford University
"Documents in the Classroom," Society of American Archivists
- 1996** "South Carolina," Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research, Samford University
"South Carolina Court Records: Beyond the Basics," and "Migration, Emigration, and Immigration: the Settlement of South Carolina," National Genealogical Society Conference in the States, Nashville, Tennessee
- 1995** "Colonial Sources for Native American Genealogical Research in North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia: and "the Catawba," Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research, Samford University
- 1983-2005** "Reference and Outreach," Archives Management, Applied History, University of South Carolina
- 1994** "South Carolina," Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research, Samford University
"Changing Face of Reference Services," National Association of Government Archives and Records Administrators
"South Carolina's Court Records" and "African American Genealogical Research in South Carolina," Federation of Genealogical Societies (Richmond, VA)
- 1993** "Genealogical Research in South Carolina," and "African American Genealogical Resources in South Carolina," Federation of Genealogical Societies (St. Louis, MO)

- 1992 "Educational Outreach at the S. C. Department of Archives and History," National Association of Government Archives and Records Administrators
- 1991 "Strategic Planning: Preparation and Implementation," Southeastern Archives and Records Conference
 "RLIN: Impact upon the Research Community," National Association of Government Archives and Records Administrators
 "South Carolina's Historical Marker Program," American Association for State and Local History
 "Sources for African American Genealogy in South Carolina," Society of American Archivists
- 1990 "Premier Repositories for the Researcher---South Carolina Department of Archives and History," South Carolina Landmark Conference
- 1989 "The User Survey as a Planning Document," Southeastern Archives and Records Conference
 "Harbison College: Metamorphoses of a Dream," South Carolina Historical Association
- 1986-88 "How to Research Local and Family History," Elderhostel faculty, Lander College
- 1987 "The COM Index and Other Treasures at the South Carolina Archives," 1987 Conference in the States of the National Genealogical Society
 "Beyond Restrictions---Identifying and Defining Equal Access," National Council on Public History/Society for History in the Federal Government
- 1985 "Beginning Genealogy," South Carolina Landmark Conference
- 1983 "Basic Reference" workshop, Society of American Archivists
 "Reference Service in Hard Times," South Atlantic Archives and Records Conference
- 1978 "Genealogy: Where to Begin," South Carolina Landmark Conference
 "Coping in the Trenches---State Archival Reference Policies and Procedures," South Atlantic Archives and Records Conference
- 1977 "Public Services: Making Collections Accessible," South Atlantic Archives and Records Conference
- 1976 "Trends in Archival Publications," South Atlantic Archives and Records Conference
- 1974 "Research in South Carolina," Adjunct Faculty, Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research, Samford University, Birmingham, Alabama

Courses Taught: Upper Division

United States History Discovery to 1865
 South Carolina Heritage

Issues in South Carolina History
 South Carolina in the American Revolution (new course)
 Introduction to Public History (new course)
 Overview of Historical Archives Administration (new course)
 Birth of Europe
 The Vikings (new course)
 Rome and her Environs to 565 AD (new course)
 The Dead Speak: a different perspective on world history (new course)
 Ancient Mediterranean Civilizations (new course)

Courses Taught: Lower Division

World History to 1750
 United States History to 1875

Independent Studies: Introduction to Archival Theory and Procedures; SC during Reconstruction; The Long Bow and its Impact on the Hundred Years War; An Oral History of the Clearwater Finishing Plant, Aiken, SC; The Life and Times of Qin Shi Huangdi: First Emperor of China; The Battle of Cannae, Second Punic War; Historical Archives of the Middle Ages; Antebellum Gulf Coast Migration; Classical Mythology; The Normans: from Rollo to William the Conqueror; Roman Dacia

Academy of Lifelong Learning (USC Aiken)

Cathedral of Europe; Beautiful Beaufort, SC; Wicked Columbia, SC; The Good, the Bad and the Ugly: Emperor of the Roman Empire; "Purple Reign" – Byzantine Emperors and Empresses: Martin Luther and the Protestant Reformation; The Middle Ages; Antebellum SC: the Road to War; The Dead Speak: a different perspective on world history; "Little Charleston" – South Carolinians and the Founding of Flat Rock, NC; "Catalysts of Change: Three Centuries of Notable South Carolinians," and "Tales of Old Edgefield."

Honors

2020 - Daniel W. Hollis award for the best academic paper published in the Proceedings of the South Carolina Historical Association, 2019-2020.
 2015 - Val Lumans Teaching Award, selected by majors in the Department of History, Political Science, & Philosophy, USC Aiken.
 2011 - Lester G. Gross Community Service Award (with Terry Helsley), Harbison Community Association.
 2009 - Bobby Gilmer Moss Award [Revolutionary research and education award] (SC DAR).
 2008 - Beaufort High School (S. C.) Hall of Fame.
 2007 - 1st part time teaching award, University of South Carolina Aiken
 2006 - Governor's Archives Award, South Carolina State Historic Records Advisory Board
 2002 - Lifetime Achievement Award, South Carolina Archival Association

2001-2002 - Research Fellow, Institute of Southern Studies, University of South Carolina
 2000 - Richland Sertoman of the Year
Who's Who in the South and Southwest (1997-2011) and *Who's Who in America* (1998-2011)

USCA Service

Government Documents Library Position Search Committee, Spring – Fall 2019
 Pickens Salley House Ad Hoc Committee, AY2018-19
 American Tenure Track Position Search Committee, Fall 2012 – Spring 2013
 European Tenure Track Position Search Committee, Spring 2011
 United States Instructor Position Search Committee, Spring/Summer 2011
 United States Tenure Track Position Search Committee Spring 2012
 Gregg Graniteville Library USCA 50th Anniversary On-line Exhibit Committee, 2010-2011
 USCA Faculty Advisor, Sand River Teaching American History Grant, 2009-2012

Patriotic and Genealogical Organizations

Pace Family Society of American (President, 2008 - ; trustee, 1998 - present)
 Henderson County (NC) Genealogical and Historical Society (charter member)
 USC Chapter, NSDAR

Professional Activities

Board member, South Carolina Historical Association, 2015 -; secretary, 2020-
 Trustee, Old Exchange Building Commission, 2009 – (chair, 2012 –present; vice-chair, 2011 –
 2012)
 Faculty Advisor, Sand River Teaching American History Project, 2009 - 2012
 Researcher, “African American Lives2” (aired PBS, February 2008))
 South Carolina Archival Association (President, 2005; Vice-president/president-elect, 2004)
 Historian, *Discovering the Carolinas*(1995-2019)
 Co-director, Henderson County History Center, Hendersonville, NC (2000-2006)
 Columbian Quincentennial Commission of South Carolina, 1989-1993 (Vice-Chair)
 South Carolina Hall of Fame, Trustee, 1990-96
 Society of American Archivists (chair, Reference, Access, and Outreach Section, 1981-83)
 National Association of Government Archives and Records Administrators (program
 committee, 1989-90; chair, ad hoc committee on publications, 1991-2)
 Southeastern Archives and Records Conference (formerly the South Atlantic Archives and
 Records Conference, program committee, 1976, 1987)
 National Council on Public History (local arrangements committee, 1992; publications
 committee, 1993-4)
 Southeastern Museums Association (local arrangements committee, 1992; publications
 committee, 1993-4)

Southeastern Oral History Association (publications committee, 1993-4)

Professional Memberships

South Carolina Archival Association
 South Carolina Historical Association
 University South Caroliniana Society
 South Carolina Historical Society
 South Carolina Archival Association
 Palmetto Archives Libraries Museums Council on Preservation (PALMCOP)
 Historic Columbia
 Aiken County Historical Society

Community Activities

Worship leader, Harbor Chase Assisted Living, Irmo, SC (3rd& 5th Sundays), 2003 – present

Presbyterian College, Board of Visitors, 2001-2003.

First Baptist Church of Irmo: church treasurer, 1996 - present; building steering team, 2005 – 2008; deacon, 1995-1997 and 2001 - 2004; long range planning committee, 2000 – 2002, 2005; youth committee, 1996-8; finance committee, 1995-present; chair, Twentieth Anniversary committee, 1994; co-chair, Twenty-fifth Anniversary committee, 1999; chair, Thirtieth Anniversary celebration; church history committee, 1990-present; Sunday School teacher/substitute 1990 - 2011; nominating committee, 1991-2, chair, 1992; public relations committee, 1991-2, 1996.

Richland Sertoma Club (president, 1998-9; vice-president for community service, 1996; secretary and president-elect, 1997; chairman of the board, 2000; director and newsletter editor, 2001 - 2002)

Harbison Community Association (chair, recreation and social advisory committee, 1984-88; co-chair, Columbia Bicentennial Harbison Neighborhood Festival steering committee, 1985-86)

Furman University Alumni Association (class agent, 1985, 1987, 1989, 1997-9; 2000-2014)

Girl Scouts of American (troop committee member, 1985-88)

Harbison West Elementary PTA (executive committee, 1981-82)