

Air Quality Commission

Applicants At-A-Glance

One (1) Unexpired term expiring August 31, 2025
(Environmental slot)

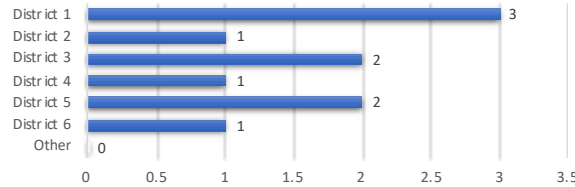
Name	District	Gender	Ethnicity
Miller, Gordon	6	Male	Caucasian/Non-Hispanic
Ross, Ronald	2	Male	African American

AIR QUALITY COMMISSION DEMOGRAPHICS

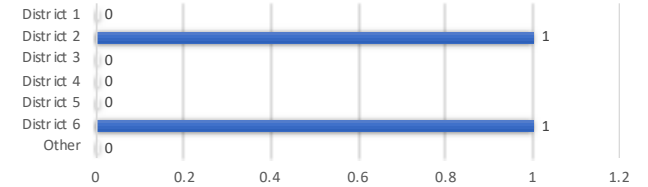
Districts

	Members	Applicants
District 1	3	0
District 2	1	1
District 3	2	0
District 4	1	0
District 5	2	0
District 6	1	1
Other	0	0
Total	10	2

Members by District



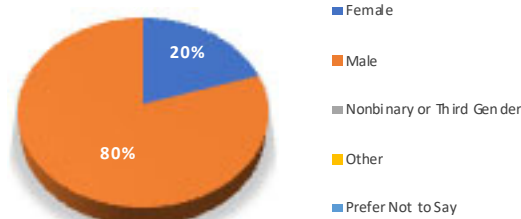
Applicants by District



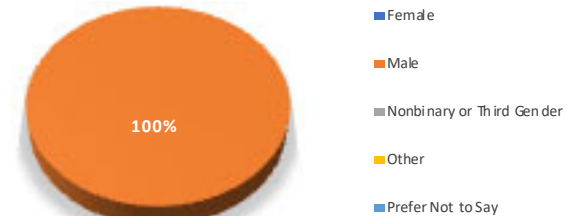
Gender

	Members	Applicants
Female	2	0
Male	8	2
Nonbinary or Third Gender	0	0
Other	0	0
Prefer Not to Say	0	0
Total	10	2

Members by Gender



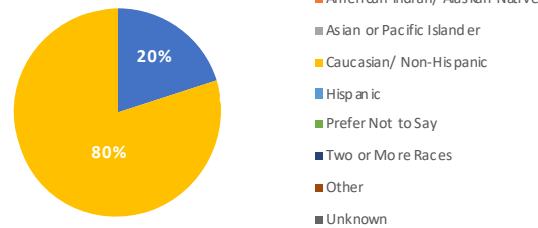
Applicants by Gender



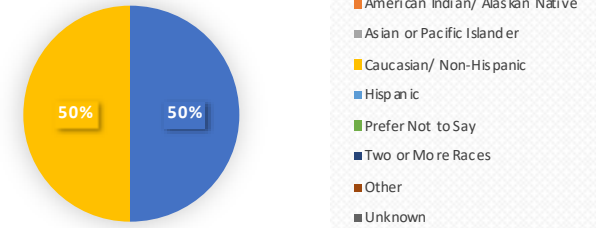
Ethnicity/Race

	Members	Applicants
African-American	2	1
American Indian/ Alaskan Native	0	0
Asian or Pacific Islander	0	0
Caucasian/ Non-Hispanic	8	1
Hispanic	0	0
Prefer Not to Say	0	0
Two or More Races	0	0
Other	0	0
Unknown	0	0
Total	10	2

Members by Ethnicity/Race



Applicants by Ethnicity/Race



Statement to Applicants

Profile**Which Boards would you like to apply for?**

Air Quality Commission: Submitted

Gordon

First Name

Miller

Last Name

What other names have you used? (includes, legal names, aliases, maiden names or professional monikers) NOTE: If none, please note N/A

N/A

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NC

State

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Primary Phone

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Alternate Phone

What Mecklenburg County District do you live in? Please verify below. *

 6**How long have you been a resident of Mecklenburg County? Please include months, or years.**

44 YEARS

My age range is (please select one): *

 Over 55**Ethnicity ***

 Caucasian/Non-Hispanic**Gender ***

 Male

Interests & Experiences

Education

BA, PHYSICS, WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON COLLEGE MSPH, ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES AND ENGINEERING (AIR POLLUTION AND INDUSTRIAL HYGIENE), UNC-CH

RETIRED

Employer

RETIRED CONSULTANT IN
ENVIRONMENTAL
MANAGEMENT

Occupation

Business and civic experience

APPROXIMATELY 44 YEARS IN THE FIELDS OF OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH, OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY, AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT IN THE INSURANCE INDUSTRY, AT THE KENNEDY SPACE CENTER, TEACHING AT INDIANA UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, IN MANUFACTURING, AND OWNING AND OPERATING A CONSULTING BUSINESS INVOLVED WITH OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH, OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY, AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT. MEMBER AND CHAIR OF THE TOWN OF MATTHEWS ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE SINCE 1989. MEMBER OF THE CHARLOTTE WATER CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (THREE YEARS) MEMBER OF THE MECKLENBURG COUNTY AIR QUALITY COMMISSION (SEVERAL TERMS) MEMBER OF THE MECKLENBURG COUNTY "BREATHE" COMMITTEE (2001-2002) PRESIDENT AND BOARD MEMBER OF THE CAROLINAS AIR POLLUTION CONTROL ASSOCIATION FOUNDING MEMBER OF CLEANAIRNC. MEMBER AND FELLOW OF THE AMERICAN INDUSTRIAL HYGIENE ASSOCIATION (FORMER CHAIRS OF THE TOXICOLOGY AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEES) MEMBER OF THE NC GOVERNOR'S POLLUTION PREVENTION BOARD (1990'S)

Area of expertise and interests/skills

AIR POLLUTION MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL, INDUSTRIAL HYGIENE (CERTIFIED IN THE PRACTICE FOR 40 YEARS), MANAGEMENT OF MUNICIPAL ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES (TOWN OF MATTHEWS)

Additional Comments

I HAVE SERVED ON THE AIR QUALITY COMMISSION FOR SEVERAL TERMS SUPPORTING BETTER AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT FOR MECKLENBURG COUNTY DURING THOSE TERM. I CONTINUE TO SUPPORT ENVIRONMENTAL EFFORTS THROUGH THE TOWN OF MATTHEWS, CHARLOTTE WATER, AND OTHER OPPORTUNITIES WHEN THEY ARISE. MY BACKGROUND GOES BACK TO THE BEGINNINGS OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL MOVEMENT IN THE LATE 1960'S AND HAVE A STRONG HISTORY OF WHERE WE HAVE BEEN AND POTENTIAL DIRECTION WE NEED TO GO IN THE FUTURE.

Additional Information

If you are or have ever served on a Mecklenburg County board/commission, please answer yes or no. If yes, please disclose the Board and term-end date.

YES AIR QUALITY COMMISSION (SEVERAL TERMS WITH LAST TERM ENDING ON AUGUST 31, 2022)

Why are you interested in serving on the board(s) to which you are applying?

IN RETIREMENT, I STILL CONTINUE TO BE STRONGLY INTERESTED IN CREATING BOTH A BETTER ENVIRONMENT FOR MECKLENBURG COUNTY AND MEETING THE NEEDS OF THE PEOPLE WHO LIVE AND WORK IN THE COUNTY.

Have you attended a meeting of the advisory board(s) to which you are applying?

Yes No

Hours Per Month Available for Position

AT LEAST 5 TO 10 HOURS PER MONTH.

How did you learn of the vacancy? *

Other

If you answered other - Where did you learn of this vacancy?

I SPOKE WITH LESLIE RHODES AT THE EARTH DAY CELEBRATION IN MATTHEWS IN APRIL 2023 WHO ENCOURAGED ME TO CONSIDER APPLYING TO JOIN THE AIR QUALITY COMMISSION. SHE IS AWARE OF MY BACKGROUND AND PREVIOUS INVOLVEMENT IN ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIVITIES. I ALSO ATTEND THE BOCC SUSTAINABILITY SUBCOMMITTEE WITH SEVERAL COMMISSIONERS INDICATING THAT INVOLVEMENT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO THE COUNTY.

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Upload a Resume

Disclosure

Are you a Mecklenburg County resident?

Yes No

Are you a current Mecklenburg County employee? (Mecklenburg County employees are prohibited from serving on any board where appointments are made by the Board of Commissioners. If you are a current, county employee who is to serve in an ex-officio and/or non-voting capacity on any board when required by law, please email clerk@mecknc.gov before submitting an application.)

Yes No

Are you a current vendor with Mecklenburg County?

Yes No

• Do you have any personal or business interest that could create a conflict (either real or perceived) if appointed? If yes, please explain the conflict.

Yes No

If you answered yes to the question above, please explain.

I HAVE BEEN A RESIDENT OF MECKLENBURG COUNTY FOR 44 YEARS.

Disclaimer

I, hereby, authorize Mecklenburg County to verify all information included in this application. I certify that I have read the appointment policy and that the information contained in this application is true according to the best of my knowledge and belief. I certify that I am providing my legal name and address in which I reside. I understand that inaccurate or untrue information will be cause for removal from any appointed advisory board. By submitting this application, I agree to adhere to all County policies pertaining to advisory boards, including attendance. I understand if I do not achieve 65% annual attendance, I will be automatically removed from the board or commission to which I am appointed. I understand that this application is subject to the N.C. Public Records Law (NCGS § 132-1) and may be released upon request.

I Agree

Signature of Applicant (Sign Your Legal Name):

GORDON C. MILLER

Board Specific Questions

Question applies to Air Quality Commission

AQC: Which of the following represents your vocation or interest? *

- Environmental
- General Public
- Scientist

RESUME OF:

Gordon C. Miller
9535 Sardis Glen Drive
Matthews, NC 28105
(704) 847-3140

SUMMARY: A former, now retired, certified, technically trained and experienced health, safety, and environmental affairs manager/director/professional with good research abilities and strong knowledge of current regulatory affairs. Also presents a strong business and human relations orientation, particularly in teaching, knowledge transfers, and quality management.

EDUCATION: M.S.P.H. (Public Health), Air and Industrial Hygiene, 1975, UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA, Chapel Hill, NC. Recipient of Public Health Service Traineeship.

B.A., Physics, 1970, WASHINGTON & JEFFERSON COLLEGE, Washington, PA. Recipient of Samuel Jones Prize in Physics, 1970. Varsity swimmer for four years, captain senior year.

EXPERIENCE:

(Retired from professional practice, April 2014)

MM&A LLC., Matthews NC, President and Principal

2001 – 2014 Founded consulting business supporting clients on matters of occupational health, occupational safety, and environmental management. The firm provides broad management support on health, safety and environmental management issues based on the needs of the particular client. The firm services industrial, legal, and governmental clients.

REXAM INC./ INTELICOAT TECHNOLOGIES LLC, Matthews, NC, Director, Health, Safety & Environment

1983 - 2003 Created division manager/sector level director position and managed all facets of multi-plant division/multi-division safety, health, and environmental affairs programs through both direct and indirect staffing. This included:

- Title V permits,
- Tank removal
- and remediation,
- Storm water
- permitting and management,
- Wastewater
- pretreatment permitting,
- Hazardous
- waste disposal,
- Routine safety
- training,
- Hazwoper and
- emergency management training,
- Occupational
- safety evaluations and management of facilities,
- Industrial
- hygiene evaluations and management of facilities, and

- Medical surveillance programs

Additionally, provided corporate, including international, support and oversight on matters of safety, health, and environmental affairs during Rexam ownership. This involved all levels of management for site acquisition, remediation for sold sites, managing corporate liability for Superfund sites, along with routine involvement with suppliers, customers, and regulatory agencies.

Major accomplishments include:

- Managed waste management program recognized by NC Governor's Waste Management Board as outstanding.
- Created multi-division hazardous waste management program that reduced hazardous waste cost by approximately \$1,000,000 per year (1999-2000)
- Reduced worker's compensation claims cost by 70% over four years (increased focus on excellence in claims management along with prevention) in 14 facilities employing 2200+ employees with resulting savings of approximately \$3,000,000/yr.
- Managed clean-up and Superfund activities (including technical committee chairperson for Leonard Chemical Company Superfund action and Seaboard Chemical Company NC Inactive Sites) with cost control consistent or less than those typical of similar sites.

1979 - 1983 **CELANESE CORPORATION, Charlotte, NC, Health, Safety, and Environmental Affairs Consultant**

Provided direction, technical input, implementation, and management for projects and staff functions in industrial hygiene, health monitoring, product safety, toxicology, and regulatory affairs. Position was in corporate headquarters coordinating activities from senior management to plant support operations.

Some major accomplishments included:

- Implemented health monitoring program for 6500 employees including health surveillance, worker exposure tracking, and industrial hygiene database.
- Prototyped and coordinated product safety approval system for approximately 40 experimental products and 10 commercial products per year.
- Managed a \$500,000/year toxicology program developing a strong health effects database.

1976 - 1979 **INDIANA UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, Indiana, PA, Assistant Professor, Safety Sciences Department**

Taught courses in industrial hygiene, occupational safety, and air pollution. Additionally, provided counseling to students in career selection and placement. Tenured.

Some major accomplishments included:

- Developed textbook and laboratory manual for one industrial hygiene course.
- Chaired several departmental committees including Search Committee. Recruited four faculty members for department.
- Coached men's varsity swimming producing five All-Americans.

1975 - 1976 **BENDIX CORPORATION, Launch Support Division, Cocoa Beach, FL, Research Industrial Hygienist**

Conducted contract field research in various areas of industrial hygiene. Supervised a mobile laboratory with chemist and technician.

1971 - 1974 **HARTFORD INSURANCE GROUP, Hartford, CT, Technical Consultant, Environmental Sciences Unit**

Conducted safety, fire protection, industrial hygiene, and environmental consultation for client corporations. Conducted instrumental analytical chemistry in industrial hygiene/environmental laboratory. A major accomplishment was the development of an AIHA accredited laboratory.

CERTIFICATIONS: Certified Industrial Hygienist (CIH), Comprehensive Practice, American Board of Industrial Hygiene. (Retired)
 Certified Hazard Control Manager (CHCM), International Board of Hazard Control Managers. (Retired)
 Certified Hazardous Materials Manager (CHMM), Institute of Hazardous Materials Management. (Retired)
 Registered Environmental Manager (REM), National Registry of Environmental Professionals. (Retired)
 Qualified Environmental Professional (QEP), Institute for Professional Environmental Practice. (Emeritus)

MEMBERSHIPS: American Industrial Hygiene Association (past Toxicology and Management Committee Chair, current member)
 American Academy of Industrial Hygiene (Retired)
 American Society of Safety Engineers (past Local Section Officer, current member)
 American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (Retired)
 Air and Waste Management Association (Retired)
 Carolinas Air Pollution Control Association (Past-President and Board Member, current member)

OTHER ACTIVITIES: Member and Current Chair, Environmental Advisory Committee, Town of Matthews, Matthews, NC.
 Former Member, Air Quality Commission, Mecklenburg County (NC) Land Use and Environmental Services Agency
 Former Member and Past Current Chair, Local Emergency Planning Committee, Lancaster County, SC
 Former Member, Pollution Prevention Committee, North Carolina Pollution Prevention Advisory Council, NCDEHNR, Raleigh, NC

PUBLICATIONS: Several publications and numerous technical presentations in occupational health and environmental management

PRESENTATIONS Presented PDC's entitled "The Fine Art of Industrial Hygiene Management" with Don Weeks and Fred Freiberger and "Effective Management Communications" with Fred Freiberger (last presented in 2005) that were predecessors to the AIHA Management Certificate Program.

Numerous presentations at the Carolinas Air Pollution Control Association covering the "Nuts and Bolts of Air Pollution" for those new to the air pollution field. Also was Board Member and Officer that created and presented 14 technical conferences.

Statement to Applicants

Profile**Which Boards would you like to apply for?**

Air Quality Commission: Submitted

Ronald

First Name

E

Middle
Initial

Ross

Last Name

What other names have you used? (includes, legal names, aliases, maiden names or professional monikers) NOTE: If none, please note N/A

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City

NC

State

28216

Postal Code

Mobile: (704) 399-5959

Primary Phone

Alternate Phone

What Mecklenburg County District do you live in? Please verify below. *

 2**How long have you been a resident of Mecklenburg County? Please include months, or years.**

30+ yrs

My age range is (please select one): *

 Over 55**Ethnicity ***

 African American**Gender ***

 Male

Interests & Experiences

Ronald E Ross

Education

West Charlotte Senior High School - 1973 Xavier University of New Orleans, Walla Walla Community College 1975 Ambassador College 1977

Retired

Employer

Retired

Occupation

Business and civic experience

Retired mortgage banker, neighborhood president, volunteer with CleanAIRE NC. See below

Area of expertise and interests/skills

Community engagement and advocacy. See below

Additional Comments

RON ROSS BIO Ron Ross is a citizen scientist and community leader in Charlotte, NC. He is a retired banker, mortgage, and financial services professional. Ron worked primarily in the Los Angeles, CA and extensively in major cities throughout the United States. He returned to his hometown of Charlotte to be a caregiver for his mother and aunt. Ron is President of Northwood Estates Community Organization. Ron along with other community leaders have been monitoring and collecting air pollution data in Black American communities located in Charlotte, NC within the Historic West End (Beatties Ford Road Corridor) along with CleanAIRE NC. This area has been negatively impacted by pollution due to the proximity of highways, concentration of industrial facilities, trains, and social economic disadvantages. The report "Clearing the Air in the Historic West End" was used to educate Mecklenburg County Commissioners which resulted in a Federal EPA monitoring station being installed in The Historic West End to measure particle pollution levels. Ron and other community leaders are working to establish The Historic West End Green District with goals to implement green infrastructure, strategic tree planting, EV charging stations and community clean air awareness programs. These efforts will contribute to improved air quality, better health outcomes, as well as reducing carbon emissions in an area where residents have been impacted by environmental injustice. The Historic West End Green District Initiative has been able to increase community air quality awareness, install outdoor air quality monitors, increase tree canopy, create spaces for gardens and green infrastructure and installation of EV charging stations within the community.

Additional Information

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No

Why are you interested in serving on the board(s) to which you are applying?

I want to be involved in addressing air quality issues and concerns that impact the communities of Mecklenburg County. We need to insure healthy air for the public, the environment, to help reduce exposures and improve the quality of life of all communities in Mecklenburg County.

Have you attended a meeting of the advisory board(s) to which you are applying?

Yes No

Ronald E Ross

Hours Per Month Available for Position

2-3 hours

How did you learn of the vacancy? *

Mecklenburg County Website

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Yes No

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Signature of Applicant (Sign Your Legal Name):

Ronald E. Ross

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Environmental

Mecklenburg County, NC

Air Quality Commission

Board Details

The Mecklenburg County Board of County Commissioners created the Mecklenburg County Air Quality Commission (AQC) with the mission and duty to promote the protection, preservation, and enhancement of the ambient air resources of Mecklenburg County, North Carolina.

The AQC shall provide citizen and stakeholder input to the Board of County Commissioners, local municipalities and staff through the review and recommendation of air pollution management policies, long-range plans, operations and their budgetary impacts in order to achieve the above mission.

Overview

Size 12 Seats

Term Length 3 Year

Term Limit 2 Term

Contact

Name Leshishua Pierce

Phone (980) 314-3359

Additional

Qualifications

Persons serving must be a resident of Mecklenburg County. Appointed members must attend a minimum of 65% of all scheduled meetings in a calendar year and cannot miss three consecutive meetings. Failure to comply with attendance requirements will result in removal from the advisory board.

Advisory Board Details

The membership of the Air Quality Control shall be divided according to the following vocations or interests represented: One (1) Health Professional (HP), One (1) Engineer (ENG), One (1) Industrial (I), One (1) Scientist (S), One (1) Environmental (E), One (1) Attorney (ATTY), One (1) Transportation (T), and Five (5) General Public (GP). The Board shall ensure that at least four (4) members shall reside in the City of Charlotte; at least one (1) member shall reside in the Town of Cornelius (COR), Davidson (D) or Huntersville (HUN) and one (1) member shall reside in the Town of Matthews (MAT), Mint Hill (MH) or Pineville (PINE).

Meeting Dates/Times

Monthly- 4th Monday at 11:30 a.m.

Meeting Location

Suttle Avenue County Service Center - 2145 Suttle Avenue Charlotte, NC 28202, 4th Floor Ed Woods Conference Room

Time Commitment

1.5 hour per month

Stipend

No

Special Notes

Tue 2/8/2022 12:03 PM (email from Ieshishua S. Pierce to Aaron Alexander): "I would like to note that we currently have 3 members serving that we would like to have listed in the Granicus system until the following 3 vacant slots listed below are filled, please advise. " - Currently vacant- Matthews (General Public) currently filled by Gordon Miller - Currently vacant - Huntersville (Industrial) currently filled by Marcus Hackler (Vice Chair) - Currently vacant - Attorney currently filled by Peter McGrath (Chair)

*Currently serving until vacancies are filled**

Job Description

Air Quality Commission

Board Roster

Janet Garner-mullins

1st Term Feb 16, 2021 - Aug 31, 2025

Email jmullin0@bellsouth.net

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Appointing Authority BOCC

Category GENERAL PUBLIC

Marcus Hackler

2nd Term Aug 05, 2014 - Aug 31, 2020

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Huntersville, NC 28078

Appointing Authority BOCC

Category NORTHERN TOWNS-INDUSTRIAL

Lisa Hooker

1st Term Feb 16, 2021 - Aug 31, 2025

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Home Phone Home: (919) 524-2706

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Appointing Authority BOCC

Category GENERAL PUBLIC

William Lawrence

1st Term Sep 07, 2022 - Aug 31, 2025

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Address

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Huntersville, NC 28078

Appointing Authority BOCC

Category GENERAL PUBLIC

□ **Aaron Levy**

2nd Term Apr 18, 2017 - Aug 31, 2026

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Home Phone Home: (615) 504-2268

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550 Sandridge Rd
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Appointing Authority BOCC

Category HEALTH PROFESSIONAL

□ **Brian Magi**

2nd Term Aug 03, 2016 - Aug 31, 2024

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Address

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Charlotte, NC 28215

Appointing Authority BOCC

Category SCIENTIST

□ **Richard Matulis**

1st Term Jun 21, 2023 - Aug 31, 2026

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Charlotte, NC 28270

Appointing Authority BOCC

Category GENERAL PUBLIC

□ **Peter McGrath Jr.**

2nd Term Feb 15, 2011 - Aug 01, 2020

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Alternate Phone : 7043311081

Address

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Appointing Authority BOCC

Category ATTORNEY

□ **Gregory D Twait**

1st Term Sep 07, 2022 - Aug 31, 2025

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Address

8408 Wren Creek Drive
Charlotte, NC 28269

Appointing Authority BOCC

Category ENGINEER

□ **Karl F Welke**

2nd Term Aug 04, 2021 - Aug 31, 2027

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Charlotte, NC 28211

Appointing Authority BOCC

Category GENERAL PUBLIC

□ **Vacancy**

Appointing Authority BOCC

Category TRANSPORTATION

□ **Vacancy**

Appointing Authority BOCC

Category ENVIRONMENTAL