

Chair, Cecil County Democratic Central Committee, 1974-78. Member, Ethics Committee, Maryland Democratic Party, 1975-78. Participant, Congressional Congress on Civic Education, 2003-05. Member, Rising Sun Lions Club. Governor's Outstanding Citizenship Citation, 1975; Outstanding Young Men of America, 1980. Principal of National School of Excellence, U.S. Dept. of Education, 1991. Married; three children; two grandchildren.



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Member, Task Force on the South Mountain Battlefield Historic Tourism Initiative, 1999-2000; Task Force to Study Driver Licensing Documentation, 2003-04; Task Force to Study Criminal Offender Monitoring by Global Positioning Systems, 2004-; Western Maryland Children's Center Advisory Board, 2005-.

Born in Hagerstown, Maryland, June 30, 1972. The Johns Hopkins University, B.A. (history), 1994. Phi Beta Kappa. George Washington University, M.A. (political management), 1998 (valedictorian; Howard Paley Academic Excellence Award). Legislative assistant, Washington County Delegation, 1994-98. Procurement specialist, Meadows Agency of Insurance, 1998-. Member, Advisory Committee, Cold Weather Homeless Shelter of Washington County, 1997-. Vice-President, Washington County Chapter, American Cancer Society, 1998-. Lifetime member, Christ's Reformed Church.



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Member, Disabled Persons Review Board, Carroll County, 1983-89; Equal Housing Opportunity Board, 1987-89.

Born in Piqua, Ohio, March 9, 1944. Towson University, B.S. (psychology & sociology), summa cum laude, 1970. Manager, Shewell Enterprises, a family property rental business, 1969-. Rehabilitation supervisor, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, State Department of Education, 1974-77 (rehabilitation counselor & certified medical disability examiner, 1970-73; consultant & educator, 1973-74). Manager, Admissions Services, Carroll Lutheran Health Care Center, 1981-83. Executive Director, Granite House, Inc. (a residential mental health counseling program), Westminster, 1983-91. Member, Carroll County Republican Women's Club (president, 2000-03; vice president, 1996-99). State membership chair, Maryland Federation of Republican Women. Co-Chair, Bush '04 Campaign for Carroll County. Reese Starner Award (Republican of the Year, Carroll County), Republican Central Committee, 2002. Co-author, "The Learning-Ability-Equated Study Method", The Journal of Experimental Education, Winter 1971. Married; two children.