

FOCUS Board Appointments

from the Office of Governor Bill Haslam



Douglas Edwards

G. Douglas Edwards, Jr. is a Senior Advisor at BBH Capital Partners and former CEO of Morgan Keegan & Company, Inc. An active member of the Memphis community, he has been chairman and director of Memphis Teach For America, Inc., director of Memphis Tomorrow and the Memphis Arts Council, and a member of the Board of Visitors of the University of Memphis. Mr. Edwards holds a bachelor's degree in marketing and economics from the University of Memphis.

Marvin Ellison

Marvin R. Ellison is CEO and chairman of the Board at J. C. Penney Company, Inc. He is actively involved in philanthropic efforts including school renovations and mentoring programs for inner-city youth. He holds a business administration degree from the University of Memphis and a Master of Business Administration from Emory University.

Alan Graf

Alan Graf is the executive vice president and chief financial officer for FedEx Corp. He is well-known as a supporter of the University of Memphis, having served as a member of the Board of Visitors and was awarded the Dr. C.C. Humphreys Golden Tiger Award by the M Club in 2009. Graf earned a bachelor's degree and a master's degree in business administration from Indiana University.

Cato Johnson

Cato Johnson has served as senior vice president of public policy and regulatory affairs at Methodist Healthcare since 1985. Active in public service for many years, Mr. Johnson has served the University of Memphis, Southwest Tennessee Community College, and Shelby County Schools in many capacities. He currently serves on the State Board of Education. Johnson received a Bachelor of Science and a Master of Science from Memphis State University (now the University of Memphis).

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R. Brad Martin

R. Brad Martin is retired chairman and CEO of Saks Incorporated, chairman of RBM Ventures, and former interim president of the University of Memphis. Martin served five terms as a member of the Tennessee House of Representatives and is involved in a number of civic and philanthropic activities. Mr. Martin graduated from The University of Memphis where he served as president of the student body. He earned a master's degree in business administration from Vanderbilt University and was awarded an honorary Doctor of Letters from The University of Memphis.

David North

David A. North is the president and CEO for Sedgwick Claims Management Services. He has served on the University of Memphis Foundation Board of Trustees and was honored as an Honorary Alumnus in 2015.

Carol Roberts

Carol Roberts serves as senior vice president and chief financial officer for International Paper Co. Ms. Roberts graduated with a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from Yale University. She serves on the Board of Directors of Alcoa Inc. and on the Yale University Presidents Advisory Council.

Susan Springfield

Susan Springfield is executive vice president and chief credit officer for First Horizon National Corporation. She earned a bachelor's degree in management and master's degree in business administration and finance from the University of Memphis.

