

ECCA 2026 Board of Directors

The following individuals are nominated to serve on the 2026 Board of Directors. They are comprised of Past President and Officers of the ECCA; HOA representatives who have represented their subdivisions for many years; individuals who have organized their subdivisions and surrounding community to actively participate in proposed zoning changes in their area; community active individuals who are willing to dedicate hours of volunteer time to ECCA serving on committees; and ECCA members who have been involved for many years. To avoid any implied or conflict of interest there are no elected officials or paid county employees nominated to serve on the BOD.

Benjamin Alper: Benjamin Alper is the founder and managing partner of Alper Legal, P.C., a law firm located here in Cobb County. A graduate of Emory Law School, Ben specializes in defending individuals charged with State and Federal crimes in the State of Georgia. Ben is an experienced litigator with experience that includes the U.S. Attorney's Office, Northern District of Georgia, the Georgia Attorney General's Office, Criminal Justice Division, and the Northern Virginia Capital Defender's Office. In his spare time, Ben reviews Shakespeare performances. He and his wife Erin have lived in Cobb County for 13 years. They have two children who attend Tritt Elementary.

Chris Ensley: Chris Ensley has worked in financial services his entire career with experience in banking, consulting, and payments. Currently Chris is the Director of Product Management with InComm, responsible for a debit network that processes millions of transactions and billions of dollars annually through major retail partners including Walmart, CVS, Walgreens, 7 Eleven & Dollar General. An active volunteer, Chris is a ministry leader at his church, Community Affairs representative for his subdivision and is presently on ECCA's Board of Directors. In his spare time enjoys spending time with his wife, four children and a dog. He and his family moved to East Cobb in 2003.

Jill Flamm: Jill has served on the Board of Directors for 11 years and is currently Treasurer and has represented Camden Place subdivision for 22 years. She is the District 2 appointee to the Recreation Board. In addition, she has served on various county committees for code amendments, focus groups for the UDC code and pedestrian safety initiative, 2040 Comprehensive plan revisions and the CPT 2040 update. Previously she worked for Illinois Bell in various engineering and planning positions and was the CFO for a small company in GA. She and her husband Eric have two children, three grandchildren and have lived in East Cobb for 35 years.

Kris Killough: Kris Killough has been active in the East Cobb Civic Association since 2019 and served on the ECCA board from 2020-22. Kris is past president of the Indian Hills Civic Association. Originally from Memphis, Kris lives in Indian Hills with his wife and 3 sons.

Richard 'Ric' Grome: Ric has been an active member of East Cobb Civic Association since 2017 and was first elected to the Board of Directors in 2018. He has been active with the Chimney Springs Homeowners' Association from 2015 through 2020. Ric retired from owning his own consulting firm and prior to that from top management positions in Elekta, Inc. He was honorably discharged from the United States Army in 1975. Ric and his wife Margie have been residents of East Cobb since 1985.

Karen Hallacy: Karen has been actively involved in the Cobb Community since 1995. She served on the Neighborhood Safety Commission for over 15 years and now serves on the Cobb Development Authority. She has volunteered in the schools and education system in a variety of roles including PTA President, several Cobb Board of Education task forces, Cobb BOE Legislative Liaison, and the Governor's Arts Council Task Force. She is also active on her HOA Board and has been a member of East Cobb Civic Association for 16 years. She is an experienced parliamentarian, conflict mediator and moderator.

Helga Hong: Head of Cemetery Preservation since 1993 and volunteer for Keep Cobb Beautiful for 20 years. Helga and her late husband David have been a part of ECCA since inception, and she presently serves on ECCA's Board. She has been a resident of Cobb County since 1974 and have two married daughters.

Chris Lindstrom: Chris has been an active ECCA member for 10 years with a brief hiatus to serve as Planning Commissioner for District 3 in 2024-2025. After retiring from a long career with IBM Corporation, Chris has served several non-profit organizations in various capacities. She has lived in Cobb County for over 30 years with her husband Andy, has 2 children, and 3 grandchildren.

David Rumrill: A native Atlantan, grew up in Sandy Springs, and has lived in East Cobb County for 50+ years. He currently resides in Chimney Lakes subdivision. He has an engineering degree from Georgia Tech and worked for a Civil and Environmental Engineering firm for 41 years. Upon retiring from full-time work in 2014 he became very active in local and civic issues in Cobb County, especially zoning. He is currently on the ECCA Board. David brings his analytical review and engineering skills to the ECCA board