

## **George Gilson:**

George Gilson, Jr. is a candidate for NC House 54. George is the southeast sales manager for BMI. He has a BA from Northern Illinois University with a focus on corporate communications. He was also a NCAA collegiate football player for Temple University. His website is: [GilsonJrfor54.com](http://GilsonJrfor54.com).

George and his wife and 4 children moved to NC and Chatham from Iowa in 2018. George chose to live in Chatham County because of the rural feel, low taxes, and good quality of life and lives in Briar Chapel. He is a member of the Pittsboro United Methodist Church.

George served as a conservative Alderman in Illinois for the United City of Yorkville and is a staunch conservative.

## **Tom Glendinning:**

Tom Glendinning is a candidate for State Senate, District 23. He has a Bachelor of Arts from the University of North Carolina in Languages and was a member of the Honor Society. He has taken post grad courses and business and management courses.

Tom has 50 years experience in trade, including as a contractor and in property management and real estate development. He was the President of Glencliff Hospital, Green Glen Ltd, and Wastek. He's the founder of NC Landscape Contractors Association and has served on many professional committees.

Tom served in the US Marine Corps, and the Fleet Marine Force Atlantic. He is a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Kiwanis, and a Church Vestry warden.

## **Jimmy Pharr:**

Jimmy Pharr is a candidate for Chatham County Commissioner, District 2. He is a 30 year Chatham resident, his parents and grandparents were born in NC. His wife, Ida Durham Pharr was born in Chatham (Bynum). They have three children and grandchildren.

Jimmy has two Bachelor of Arts degrees from the University of North Carolina, Physical Education Administration and Recreation Administration. His Masters of Divinity and Christian Education is from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary and he has a Broker in Charge license.

Jimmy is a Bible Professor of Old and New Testament at Central Carolina Community College, Lee and Chatham campuses. He served in the US Air Force. His three businesses are Collector's Corner, Jimmy Pharr's Mobile DJ Service and Pharr Properties.

## **Andy Wilkie:**

Andy is an incumbent Chatham County commissioner for District 5. He was born, raised, and has lived in Chatham County his entire life. Andy graduated from high school during the Vietnam War and joined the Army Reserves, serving as a paratrooper and parachute packing instructor at Fort Bragg. He started college part time while in the Army and graduated from Appalachian State University.

Andy owned and operated a store in Sanford for 34 years. After retirement he has maintained the family farm in Goldston. He's the father of one daughter and has one grandson.

Andy was appointed to replace Walter Petty who resigned last May.

### **Jay Stobbs:**

Jay is a graduate of West Point and was commissioned in the Army Corps of Engineers. He's an Eagle Scout and Airborne Ranger and retired after 30 years in the Army. While assigned to the Joint Staff in the Pentagon, Jay managed our nuclear weapons stockpile.

He managed over \$2 billion of projects helping the Russians remove and dismantle their nuclear weapons in Kazakhstan, Ukraine, and Belorussia.

Jay worked for 6 years at Northrup Grumman as a nuclear weapons effects specialist.

He and his wife, MJ, moved here in 2005.

### **Chatham County School Board Candidates:**

Denny Lewis and Ryan Armstrong are the Republican candidates for Chatham County School Board. Ryan Armstrong is running for School Board District 1 and Denny Lewis is running for School Board District 2.