

INTRODUCING

The New Class

MEET NCACPA'S 2017-18
LEADERSHIP

This dedicated group is here to serve you—the membership. They welcome your questions, comments, and suggestions, and invite you to get involved.

Our sincere thanks go to each and every volunteer leader for their work and commitment to promote the CPA profession in North Carolina.





ROLLIN GROSECLOSE, CPA, CGMA

Chair
Johnson Price Sprinkle, PA | Asheville, NC

“As chair of the association, I look forward to leveraging opportunities for the profession to be more proactive in regards to service offerings, the regulatory environment, and relevance.”



BILL EZZELL, CPA, CGMA

Chair-Elect
Retired—Deloitte LLP | Arlington, VA

“The challenge of attracting more quality talent into the CPA profession is, and will continue to be, a very high priority. I am energized by the many opportunities available through the NC CPA Foundation and our other student-focused programs.”



DONNA TAYLOR, CPA

Immediate Past Chair
Fulfillment Coaching and Consulting | Davidson, NC

“I’m passionate about ‘people’ development and helping both younger and older professionals identify steps to achieve career goals that are authentic and fulfilling to that individual.”



DIANNE UZZELL, CPA

Treasurer
Nunn, Brashear & Uzzell, PA | Goldsboro, NC

“I am passionate about being a CPA! CPAs are passionate about their clients, their educators, their peers, their politicians, and the future of the profession.”



◀ **NICOLE BENFORD, CPA**

TIAA-CREF
Charlotte, NC

“My passion and priority is in making sure minority students have the opportunity to understand and pursue careers in our profession, and to provide access to financial literacy education that minorities might not receive at home.”

ZACHARY DONAHUE, CPA ▶

Charter Financial Services
Wake Forest, NC

“I have always been passionate about attracting students to the profession and demonstrating to them the wide array of career paths available to CPAs.”



◀ **RONNIE EUBANKS, JR., CPA**

Cherry Bekaert, LLP
Durham, NC

“Retention of top talent is a very important area to me. It is up to us as leaders to build the right environment of growing strong relationships within teams to foster growth in our people.”



SHAWANA KARKOUKI, CPA, MSA ▶

Thomas & Gibbs CPAs, PLLC
Durham, NC

“I am passionate about making the profession attractive, accessible, and sustainable for talented individuals from diverse backgrounds, as well as promoting connections between local firms and practitioners.”



EDDIE SAMS, JR., CPA ▶

Retired—Dixon Hughes Goodman, LLP
Oak Ridge, NC

“On the Board, I’ve been able to focus on two of my passions: the health and wellness of accounting programs within the state, and diversity and inclusion within the profession, which also overlaps with international services.”



◀ **AMIN AINOLHAYAT, CPA, CIA, CFE**

Lenovo
Morrisville, NC

“I am most passionate about informing and educating the public as it relates to financial education, as well as advocating for the importance of the profession and the benefits of becoming a CPA.”



SARAH BRUCE, CPA ▶

Hutchins Canning & Company, PA
Kitty Hawk, NC

“I care deeply for the health and wellness of accounting education in our state. Educators are the tone at the top; their knowledge and care provide the strongest foundation for our future CPAs!”



◀ **KRISTEN HOYLE, CPA**

Thomas, Judy & Tucker, PA
Raleigh, NC

“I am most passionate about diversity and inclusion. I have seen in my own life how the profession has increased economic opportunities I wouldn’t have without a CPA license.”



KELLI KNOBLE, CPA ▶
Grant Thornton, LLP
Charlotte, NC

“The CPA profession is evolving at a rapid pace in many respects, so we must create and identify diversity of thinking and visions that will attract bright minds and vibrant personalities to the profession.”



◀ **SCOTT SHOWALTER, CPA, CGMA, CGFM**
NC State University
Raleigh, NC

“The accounting profession is entering an era of true transformation, impacting the services we provide, how we provide them, and to whom. I am excited to participate in this journey.”



GEORGE BECKWITH ▶
National Gypsum Company
Charlotte, NC

“More complexity may not lead to more accuracy or more relevant estimates. For financial statements to be truly understood by users, the role of attestation should be understandable as well.”



◀ **MALCOMB COLEY, CPA**
Ernst & Young
Charlotte, NC

“I have a passion for increasing membership with an emphasis on underrepresented minorities, and ensuring NCACPA delivers on our mission to be an invaluable resource to our members and the business community.”





◀ **WHITNEY GANN, CPA**

Duke Energy
Charlotte, NC

“I am most passionate about strengthening the CPA pipeline by promoting the success of students and new CPAs through leadership and career development opportunities.”

MICHAEL GILLIS, CPA ▶

DMJ & Co., PLLC
Greensboro, NC

“I am very passionate about the CPA pipeline, including the need to achieve diversity in our profession. Diversity in all areas makes a firm much stronger.”



◀ **JONATHAN KRAFTCHICK, CPA**

Cherry Bekaert, LLP
Raleigh, NC

“I never would have predicted it, but it seems my passion is figuring out the ins and outs of auditing...keeping the future of financial statement audits relevant and useful, and empowering others to do the same.”

