

J. MARION SIMS FOUNDATION RE-ELECTS THREE TRUSTEES

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Three trustees have been re-elected to the J. Marion Sims Foundation's board. Robert K. Folks, Charles M. Harrell, and Marvin L. Starks were re-elected to terms that will commence on January 1, 2016.

Robert Folks has practiced law in Lancaster since 1977 and is a partner in the firm of Folks & DeVenny, LLC. A graduate of the University of South Carolina, he holds a law degree from the USC School of Law and studied at the University of Warwick in Coventry, England. Mr. Folks served as a member and chairman of the Lancaster County Board of School Trustees and as a trustee of Presbyterian College, and currently serves as a trustee of Thornwell Home for Children, where he chaired the board in 2014 and 2015. His civic involvement in Lancaster includes being a member and past president of the Lancaster Breakfast Rotary Club, and as a trustee and chairman of the Lancaster County Community Foundation. Mr. Folks was re-elected to a three-year term.

Charles Harrell is retired from financial management of Springs Industries, where he served as assistant controller, controller and chief accounting officer, and Vice President- Financial Planning. A graduate of Georgia State University and a Certified Public Accountant, he worked in both public accounting and financial management with several textile companies. A Navy veteran, Mr. Harrell is a member of the Lancaster Rotary Club and has served on and chaired the board of directors of the Lancaster County Chamber of Commerce, has served on and chaired the board of Springs Memorial Hospital, and has served on the local board of Wachovia (now Wells Fargo) Bank. Prior to joining the board, he served as a non-trustee member of the foundation's Finance & Investment Committee. Mr. Harrell was re-elected to a two-year term.

Marvin Starks is general manager of Nibrol, a manufacturer of cording for various types of window blinds. A graduate of Clemson University, he has served as the board chair for HOPE of Lancaster, chair of the Catawba Workforce Investment Board, and as a member of the board of directors of the Lancaster County Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Starks's community service also includes chairmanship of the Healthy Lancaster project and the United Way. He was recognized in 2005 as the outstanding private sector board member for the Catawba region by the Catawba Workforce Investment Board and was named the outstanding private sector volunteer by the South Carolina State Workforce Investment Board. He was a member of the Southeastern Council of Foundations' Hull Fellows Class of 2008. Mr. Starks was re-elected to a three-year term.

The J. Marion Sims Foundation supports programs of prevention and education that enhance health and wellness in Lancaster County, Great Falls and Fort Lawn, SC.

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