

Who is my Client?

South Carolina Local Government Attorneys Institute
November 19, 2021





Who is my Lawyer?

Representation from the Public Employee Point
of View

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Rule 1.3

Diligence

A lawyer shall act with reasonable diligence and promptness in representing a client.

Rule 1.4

Communication

(a) A lawyer shall:

(1) promptly inform the client of any decision or circumstance with respect to which the client's informed consent, as defined in Rule 1.0(g), is required by these Rules;

(2) reasonably consult with the client about the means by which the client's objectives are to be accomplished;

(3) keep the client reasonably informed about the status of the matter;

(4) promptly comply with reasonable requests for information; and

(5) consult with the client about any relevant limitation on the lawyer's conduct when the lawyer knows that the client expects assistance not permitted by the Rules of Professional Conduct or other law.

(b) A lawyer shall explain a matter to the extent reasonably necessary to permit the client to make informed decisions regarding the representation.

Rule 1.6

Confidentiality

Rule 1.7

Conflicts of Interest

Rule 1.13

Organization as a Client

- (a) A lawyer employed or retained by an organization represents the organization acting through its duly authorized constituents.

Comments to Rule 1.13 SCRPC

Government Agency

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Pictured left to right: Alex Saitta, Ensley Feemster, Roy Costner III, Chris Bowers, Henry Wilson and Trey Whitehurst



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County Administrator

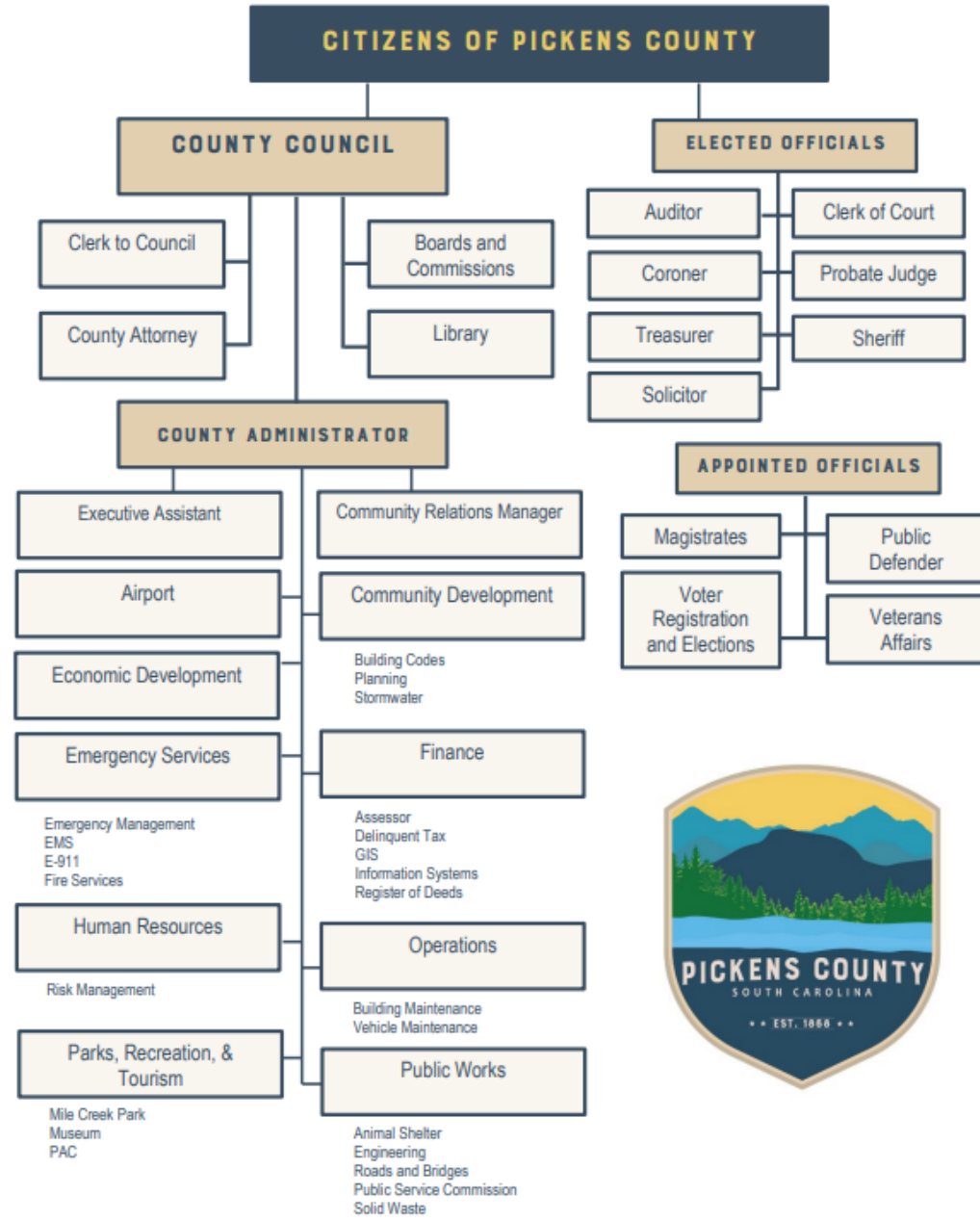
Ken Roper, County Administrator



Ken Roper serves as the County Administrator, the chief executive officer of our county government. The County Council appointed Mr. Roper in July 2019. As Administrator, Mr. Roper is tasked with carrying out the vision of County Council by executing their policies, directives and legislative actions, and he is responsible for the day-to-day operations of Pickens County. He oversees the multiple divisions of our county government, with the exception of departments governed by elected officials and special districts, and he encourages collaboration between the various departments to

best serve all our citizens.

PICKENS COUNTY ORGANIZATIONAL CHART





PICKENS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

SHERIFF, RICK CLARK





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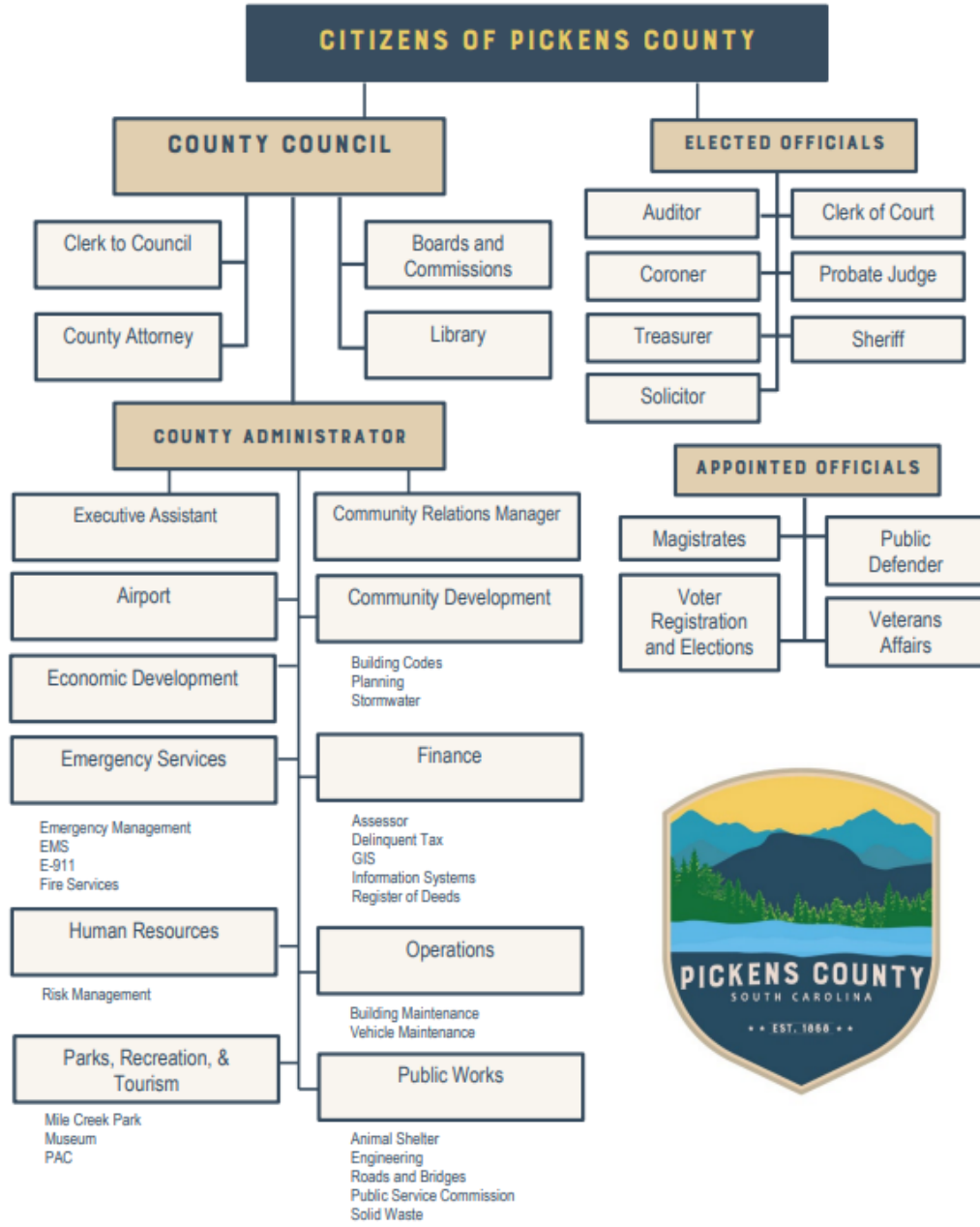
Ray Farley II, CEcD
Executive Director

The seal of Pickens County, South Carolina, is a circular emblem. It features a central landscape with a mountain range, a river, and a field. The words "PICKENS COUNTY" are written in a semi-circle at the top, and "SOUTH CAROLINA" is written in a semi-circle at the bottom. The seal is positioned behind the main title text.

BOARD of VOTER REGISTRATION
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SANGAMO WESTON, INC./TWELVE-MILE CREEK/LAKE HARTWELL PCB CONTAMINATION PICKENS, SC

Background

The Sangamo Weston, Inc./Twelve-Mile Creek/Lake Hartwell PCB Contamination [Superfund](#) site is located in Pickens, South Carolina. Residential land uses and undeveloped land surround the site. As a result of a merger, Sangamo Weston, Inc. became Schlumberger Technology Corporation. In 1999, Schlumberger Technology Corporation donated part of the site property to the City of Pickens.

From 1955 until 1987, Sangamo Weston, Inc. operated a capacitor manufacturing plant at the site. Operations disposed of wastes at six areas near the plant and discharged wastewater into Town Creek, a tributary of Twelve Mile Creek which is a major tributary of Lake Hartwell.

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Site Contacts

Community Involvement Coordinator

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(404) 562-9073

Remedial Project Manager

[Craig Zeller](#)
(404) 562-8827

Site Location

Street Address:

SANGAMO RD
PICKENS, SC 29671

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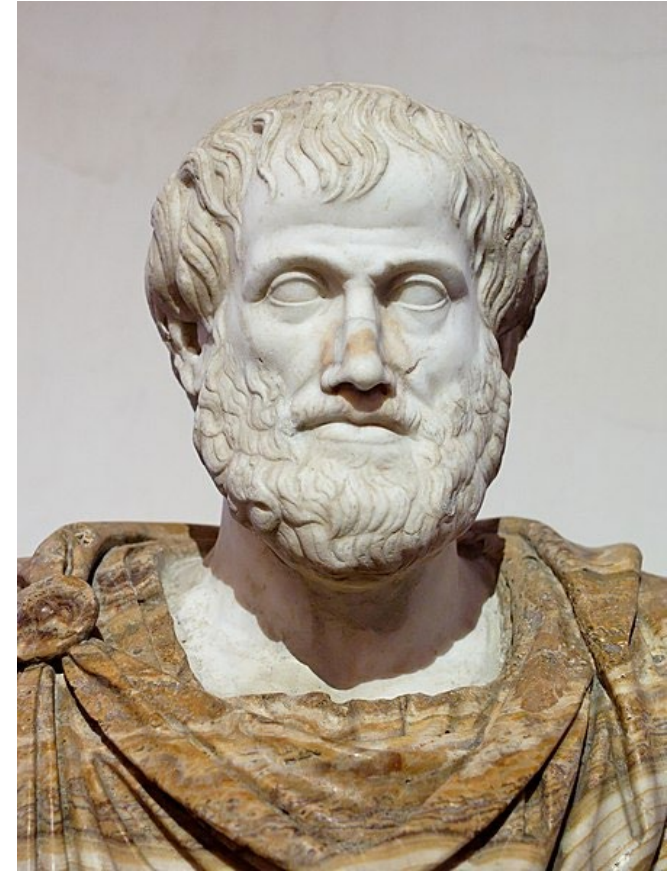
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