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KATIE AUBUCHON

Deloitte Senior Consultant | Deloitte

Kathryn Aubuchon is a Senior Consultant in Deloitte's Human Capital practice. She has been with Deloitte since graduating from Georgia Tech in 2014. Kathryn began working with a number of government clients in Washington D.C. prior to moving to Huntsville. She specializes in supporting clients with large scale change efforts and talent management support and planning. Kathryn supports Huntsville's first cyber magnet school, Alabama School of Cyber Technology, and Engineering, by developing an application and admittance strategy, internal branding, and curriculum development. After work and on weekends you can often find her at a local park with her Labradoodle, Faye.



ERIC BARTLETT

Lead Associate/Program Manager | Booz Allen Hamilton

Eric Bartlett is a Program Manager with Booz Allen Hamilton. Originally an intelligence professional with the Department of Defense, Eric has spent the last 10+ years strengthening his project management and honing his leadership skills for application to all markets. With current work supporting the FBI in Huntsville, Eric has spent a career dedicated to matters of national security and continuous process improvement wherever it is needed. Eric is nearing 20 years into an Air Force Reserve career and currently commutes to Barksdale Air Force Base, LA for his drill time. Eric is married to Brandy and they are currently surviving two wild toddler boys, Reed and Wes.



DON BOWER

Retired

Recently retired from a full-time career in higher education, Don Bowyer has taught at every level from pre-kindergarten through doctoral programmes in the United States, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Sweden, and Malaysia. Active in the fields of composition, music technology, and performance, Bowyer has published more than 100 pieces of music, developed an educational computer program that has been used in at least 120 countries, and has performed as a trombonist in 50 countries. Among other performing credits, he spent five years playing trombone on eleven cruise ships in the Caribbean Sea, the Mediterranean Sea, and the Gulf of Alaska. The first ten didn't sink. Bowyer and his wife also served as foster parents, having provided a home to eighteen foster children between 2003 and 2010.



JAMIE BURNS

Senior Manager | Torch Technologies

Jamie Burns has supported Army R&D Programs for more than 33 years, working with Torch Technologies for the last 17 years conducting Modeling and Simulation Development and Analysis and more recently pursuing Business Development. Jamie is an active member of the Central Church of Christ where he serves as one of the elders. Jamie supports His Way, a Christ-centered substance abuse recovery program and center here in Huntsville. In his spare time, Jamie enjoys spending time with his wife and children, hiking, camping, reading, photography, and taking in a good show.



EMILY CAFFREY

President and Owner | Radian Scientific, LLC

Dr. Emily Caffrey has a Ph.D. in Radiation Health Physics from Oregon State University (OSU). Her technical expertise is in ionizing radiation dosimetry. In addition to running her own consulting company, she is the Program Director for the University of Alabama at Birmingham's Masters in Health Physics program, the only one of its kind in the State. Emily is also the Editor in Chief of the Health Physics Society's "Ask The Experts", a successful public information and outreach endeavor, reaching over 1.5 million individuals annually. Emily serves on the HPS Program Committee, which develops the technical program for HPS meetings. She was appointed to the National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurements in April 2021. She is a recipient of the HPS Elda E. Anderson award for outstanding early career health physicists. In 2019 she was selected as one of 10 recipients of OSU's Council of Outstanding Early Career Engineers.



KAYLA CLARK

Program Director Connect and Marketing | Leadership Greater Huntsville

Kayla made her way south one small step at a time from Indiana University to Nashville, TN to Huntsville. Kayla is involved in the small business community and works hard to bring the best health and fitness experience to Huntsville through her work at REGYMEN Fitness. She has headed up 4 charity events that raised over \$7,000 for local and national non-profits, including the STAAR Charity 5K benefitting Ovarian Cancer Research. When not at the gym or spending time with her family exploring all the trails Greater Huntsville has to offer, she volunteers as a youth sports coach with Huntsville Wolfpack to share a passion for sport, fitness and character development with our city's youth ... the LGH Alumni of tomorrow!



MARK CLOUSER

District Chief | Retired City of Huntsville

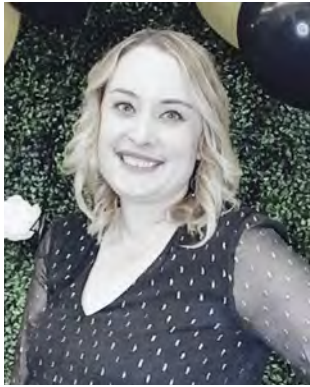
Mark Clouser was born and raised in Huntsville. At an early age, he was involved in the family business and in 1989 the draw to serve led him to join Huntsville Fire Department. He worked his way through the ranks to the level of District Chief. In his early years he was involved in the community with the Huntsville Special Olympics, taught CPR and Fire Safety in local schools. As his family grew, he became involved at Madison Academy. He served on the Board of Directors for 9 years, co-founded the Mustang Athletic Association, was a football coach for 14 years, Wrestling coach for 8 years, chaired marketing, admission, uniform committees, and served on the athletic committee. Mark purchased Alan Blind Company in 1995. He grew the company and sold it in 2021. Mark served as a youth deacon and camp counselor for 14 years at Monrovia Church.



BEN DENTON

Specialist Leader | Deloitte

A native Alabamian, Ben Denton, has spent his entire career in Huntsville focused on the Defense Industry. He has served both in government and as a defense contractor for over 20 years primarily in the cybersecurity area. He also has served on the Board of Directors of Cyber Huntsville since 2018 and currently teach cyber courses at the University of Alabama in Huntsville.



MARISSA DRYLIE

HR Generalist | Five Stones Research Corporation

After graduating from UCF with a degree in Event Management, Marissa relocated to Huntsville with her husband in 2010. Wanting to be more involved in the Huntsville community, Marissa joined the Huntsville Young Professionals Board of Directors in 2016 and served as the Executive Coordinator in 2017 and Vice President in 2018. Deciding to pursue her passion for HR, Marissa graduated from UAH with her Master's in Human Resource Management in 2018. After working in the Student Housing industry for almost 6 years, Marissa began working as a Human Resource Assistant in 2015 and joined the team at Five Stones Research Corporation (5SRC) as a Human Resource Generalist in 2020. In her spare time, Marissa loves to spend time with her two children and rescue dog. She also enjoys reading, traveling, and blogging and is an active member at her church.



HEATHER FISHER

Sales Manager | Corporate Tax Advisors

Heather, native of Manchester, Tennessee, moved to Madison County in 2010 after graduating from Chattanooga State and The University of Tennessee. She spent 10 years in the Veterinary Industry as a Clinic Director and helped navigate the daily struggles businesses face which started her passion for helping businesses grow and become successful. With that passion in the forefront, Heather joined Corporate Tax Advisors, where she helps businesses leverage federal tax incentives specifically designed for growth and success. Heather currently serves on the Huntsville Association of Businesses in Advanced Technology's (HASBAT) Board of Directors as Membership Chair. She is also a member of several local organizations that help promote local businesses, including BIO Alabama, ABC North Alabama- North Alabama, and AIA- North Alabama. When Heather isn't working, she enjoys spending with her husband, two kids, and her pets.



SCOTT FOUSE

Professor of Program Management | Defense Acquisition University

Professional: Thirty-nine years of work experience; mostly in leadership and program management. Trained in executive coaching; above average writer and speaker; U.S. Army, SAIC, Inc., and Defense Acquisition University. Civic: Active member and leader in multiple Christian churches around the country during military career. Also, coordinator of, and active participant in, Magnolia Springs neighborhood watch patrolling program. Occasionally teach and/or run the sound board for Wednesday night chapel services at the Downtown Rescue Mission. Social: My wife and I are married now for over 35 years; three daughters; three sons-in-law; one grandson.



ADAM FREDERICK

Program Manager | SAIC

Adam Frederick is a graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point and a retired Army Aviator who's career spans just shy of 22 years in Special Operations and Conventional Army Aviation. He is a combat Veteran with multiple tours in Iraq, Afghanistan, and countries in Africa. Adam led at various levels including Squadron Command which included a nine month deployment to the Republic of South Korea. Since retiring from the Army, Adam serves as a Program Manager for Army Aviation programs on Redstone Arsenal where he continues to serve our Warfighters. Adam is a Christian, devoted husband, and father who seeks to give back to his community.



JACOB GILMORE

ER Director RN | Crestwood Medical Center

Jacob Gilmore is the ER Director at Crestwood. He has been a nurse for over 20 years working in all acute care settings specializing in leadership, emergency services, trauma and HAZMAT. Jacob enjoys serving the community in the time of greatest need and sharing his passion with his ER team. He is married to the most amazing woman and the father of 6 children, 4 daughters, 2 sons. Jacob enjoys spending time with family, fishing and mechanics.



ERICKA GORMAN

SVP/CLO | Redstone Federal Credit Union

Ericka is passionate about innovation and looking for new ways to approach challenges. She has devoted her career to the credit union industry.



LISA HAMMITT

Chief Technology Officer and Executive Vice President | Davidson Technologies

Lisa Hammitt joined Davidson as Executive Vice President for Artificial Intelligence and Data Analysis with over 25 years of industry experience. Hammitt now serves as Davidson's Executive Vice President & Chief Technology Officer. She has previously served as the Global Vice President of Data and AI at VISA. Prior to that, she served as vice president of marketing of Salesforce Community Cloud where she spearheaded strategy and charted out industry-led use cases that drive community adoption and reach. Before Salesforce, Hammitt headed mergers and acquisitions in information management and cloud computing at IBM and HP. She received B.A. degrees in economics and French from the University of California, Berkeley, and completed graduate coursework in artificial intelligence at Stanford University.



ERIN HAYWARD

Materials Engineer | NASA/Marshall Space Flight Center

Erin moved to Huntsville in 2017 to work as a civil servant at NASA/Marshall Space Flight Center, where she is a member of the Space Environmental Effects testing team. She holds a doctorate in Nuclear and Radiological Engineering from Georgia Institute of Technology, as well as dual bachelor's degrees in Physics and Printmaking from Tulane University. She is passionate about space exploration and is very proud to call the Rocket City home! Erin is an artist member of Lowe Mill Arts & Entertainment, where she operates Proton Paperie & Press, a boutique art and design studio focusing on science and space themed art. She also enjoys caving, general aviation, travelling, and spending time with her husband, dog, and two cats.



KATHY HICKMAN

Real Estate Agent | Residential Sales, Licensing Instructor, Property Management

Growing up in the idyllic Shoals, Kathy headed south to attend the University of Alabama. She graduated with a B.A. in Spanish/French then relocated to Huntsville in 1976 to teach languages at Randolph School. Subsequently completing coursework toward a Master's in Rehabilitation Counseling at UAB, she co-facilitated classes with the Domestic Violence Intervention Program. Obtaining her real estate license in 2000, she worked on committees with the Huntsville Area Association of Realtors including Education, Orientation, and Professional Standards, and served four years on the Board of Directors. She's also a graduate of the 2008 Leadership Class of the Alabama Association of Realtors. In the Shoals, she was selected 2011 SAAR Realtor of the Year, plus taught licensing classes and worked in property management. Having returned to Huntsville in October, she's happy to be closer to family and eager to be part of our area's amazing growth.



DAVID KING

Business Unit (BU) Lead | Integration Innovation Inc (i3)

David King is the Business Unit Lead for Information Technology and Cybersecurity Engineering (ITCE) at Integration Innovation, Inc. (i3), directly reporting to the Chief Operating Officer. David leads all BU activities and works closely with the ITCE BU Directors to ensure execution of existing work along with ensuring business growth. He joined i3 in 2015 supporting AMRDEC, now known as DEVCOM AvMC. Over his career, David has supported several big projects across PEO Aviation and PEO Missiles and Space. He was promoted to a Program Manager in 2017 and most recently to the ITCE BU Lead in Jan 2021. David and Jamie King have been happily married for three years. Jamie is an Air Force Veteran and holds an MBA from the University of Phoenix and an undergrad in Business from the University of West Florida; she currently serves as the President and Chairwoman of i3's non-profit organization, i3 Cares.



BILL MINK

Manager | Torch Technologies, Inc.

Mr. Bill Mink currently serves as a Manager for Torch Technologies, Inc. Mr. Mink currently supports the Combat Capabilities Development Command Aviation and Missile Center (CCDC AvMC) to rapidly research, develop, and prototype critical enabling technologies and capabilities for the Technology Development Directorate (TDD) to help facilitate science and technology competencies. Prior to his current position, Mr. Mink served in several positions supporting the CCDC AvMC System Simulation, Software and Integration (S3I) Directorate in a wide variety of programs to include PATRIOT, MEADS, and Integrated Air and Missile Defense (IAMD). Previous to working at Torch Technologies, Mr. Mink provided support for software engineering, modeling and simulation, hardware-in-the-loop, software V&V, and system security engineering capabilities in support of the Army's missile and aviation communities. Mr. Mink began his career as a defense contractor in 1996 after graduating from Athens State College with Bachelor of Science degrees in Computer Science.



CANDACE PHILLIPS

Senior Coordinator/Office of Career Services | The University of Alabama in Huntsville

Candace Phillips serves as the Senior Coordinator of Career Services for The University of Alabama in Huntsville (UAH). Candace has worked in career development and exploration for the past 16 years and has enjoyed working at UAH since in 2010. A native of Dothan, Candace moved to Huntsville in 2007, where she completed her Master's degree from UAH. Before moving to Huntsville, she lived and worked in Auburn and Montgomery where she completed her Bachelor's degree from Auburn University. Candace is an active board member of the Alabama Association of Colleges & Employers, where she recently served as President. She also serves as the Alabama State Representative for the Cooperative Education & Internship Association. Candace loves helping others and gets her energy by connecting employers with future workforce leaders. When she is not at work, Candace enjoys traveling and spending time with her family.



JASON PUCKETT

President | Toyota Motor Manufacturing Alabama, Inc.

Jason Puckett is president of Toyota Alabama, (TMMAL). He is responsible for all production and administration functions at the manufacturing facility, which produces four-and six-cylinder engines for eight North American assembled Toyota vehicles. TMMAL directly employs 1,800 and represents at \$1.2 billion investment. Previously, Puckett served both roles of vice president of administration and manufacturing at Toyota Indiana (TMMI). He started his Toyota career at Toyota Indiana in 1997 as an engineer in Assembly and has held several other positions. Puckett holds a bachelor's degree in Electrical Engineering from the University of Kentucky and a Master of Business Administration from the University of Evansville. Puckett is a member of Committee of 100 and serves on the board of Business Council of Alabama and the Huntsville/Madison County Chamber. Jason and his wife Tonya have two grown children. In their spare time, Jason and Tonya enjoy travel, hiking, and the outdoors.



ASHOK RAMAN

Director | CFD Research Corporation

Ashok Raman is Director in the Energy, Materials, and Propulsion Division at CFD Research. He received his M.S. in Mechanical Engineering from Vanderbilt University in 2001, and joined CFD Research in July of that year. For the past 20 years, has held positions of increasing technical and management responsibility at CFD Research. He currently leads a team of engineers and scientists working on diverse problems including the design and characterization of materials for varied applications, advanced material processing techniques, and electronics reliability. He has over 100 publications in peer-reviewed journals, conference proceedings, and technical workshop papers. He lives in Madison with his wife and two daughters, and is an avid fan of tennis and cricket.



COREY ROBINSON

Driver/Engineer | City of Huntsville-Fire/Rescue

From a young age, Corey knew he was meant to serve. His family knew the importance of helping others and staying active in the community. Whether campaigning in a local election or traveling to a foreign country for mission work, service was a way of life. While attending the University of Alabama, Corey was a founding member of the Sigma Tau Gamma Fraternity and regularly volunteered at the RISE Center with special needs children. Later, Corey became a firefighter for the City of Huntsville where he has served for eight years. During his time with the department, he began looking for ways to help other firefighters. Corey co-founded the Cancer Prevention Program, hoping to save firefighters from occupational hazards. Corey and his wife, Parker, are both born and raised Huntsvillians who currently reside in South Huntsville. He remains active in local politics and enjoys golfing in his free time.



TERESA SCHMITT

Senior Loan Officer | FirstBank Mortgage

Teresa has been a trusted mortgage advisor in the Huntsville/Madison area 20 years. She focuses on building and maintaining client relationships. As a former Realtor, she understands the importance of providing accurate and timely information to her business partners. Her father's service in the Air Force took them to many states and overseas. The family's final move was to Huntsville in 1968. She graduated from University of North Alabama. She has been married to David Schmitt for 38 years. They have two married children, 2 granddaughters and a grandson. Teresa is an active member in her community, volunteering and participating in her church's missions/trips. Due to her father's service and ultimate sacrifice during the Vietnam War, Teresa was bestowed an honorary membership of Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 1067. She currently serves on the Board of Directors-Honoring Veteran Legacies. She has a passion for serving those who serve/served our country.



JOYCE SKINNER

Vice President | Schrimsher Company, Inc.

Joyce Skinner serves as Vice President for Schrimsher Company, Inc. Mrs. Skinner graduated from the University of Alabama in Huntsville in 2001 earning a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting. After thirteen years in the accounting field, she transitioned to commercial real estate development and began working for Schrimsher Company. Overseeing the day-to-day operations, Mrs. Skinner is responsible for integrating all areas of construction, property management and accounting. Since serving Schrimsher Company, she has worked on projects such as Campus No. 805, Everett Building, Campus No. 124, and most recently developing a 15,000 square foot warehouse in North Huntsville Industrial Park. Joyce resides on Monte Sano with her husband Troy and daughter Maisie Claire. They enjoy many outdoor activities, attending plays and spending time with friends and family.



KEVIN SMITH

Program Manager | SAIC

Professional Summary – Over 20 years' experience in Program and Operations Management, Systems Engineering, Technical Support, and Leadership. Program Management; Engineering Management; Technical Team Leadership; DoD/Industry Customer Relations; Program Planning; Staffing; Training; Performance Appraisals; HW/SW Systems Engineering, Integration and Testing; Lean Six Sigma; Control Account Management; Earned Value Management; Capture Planning; Leading IPTs; Electrical Systems; Electronics; C4ISR; Network Systems; Mechanical; Process Engineering; Quality Control; Scheduling; Performance Management; Configuration Management.



ADRIAN SOLER-LUNA

AST Sold Propulsion Engineer | NASA

Mr. Soler-Luna is an engineer new to Huntsville that enjoys the exchange of ideas and new perspectives. A professional that is passionate about scientific research, community development, team building, and building relationships. As an engineer with experience in several technical disciplines he understands the value of innovation, education, and social interaction as a mean to become a better professional in any field. He is interested in becoming a useful leader that promotes these values to grow himself as a person and also helping the community. He is passionate about books, and while not a fast reader, one cannot have too many.



MIKE WALDOW

Chief Growth Officer | Twickenham Advisors

Mike Waldow is Chief Growth Officer for Twickenham Advisors. Mike leads our efforts to expand and grow our business with vision and strategy for our current and future advisors of the firm. Mike oversees the development and mentorship of our team, while expanding our reach through meaningful relationships that allow for talent acquisition. Mike has thirty-nine years of experience as a fiduciary, having been an advisor, advocate, and steward on behalf of families, closely held businesses, trusts, and estates. He is the past President and Chief Investment Officer instrumental in the formation of multiple RIAs, a multi-family office and a hedge fund. Mike currently holds CFP Board Emeritus Status, having been a certified financial planner for 34 years. Mike has decades of experience in portfolio management, financial and estate planning, business development and family office services. In his time away from work, Mike enjoys world travel, quality time with friends and family, music, art and great food. Mike is a two-time cancer survivor and all-around lover of life!



MELONY YEARTA

Owner/President | Yearata Consulting Group, LLC

Mrs. Yearata is the owner of Yearata Consulting Group, LLC for the past 10 years which specializes in business event planning. Melony has been involved in the community volunteering most recently for AmeriCorps VISTA program at The Catalyst Center for Business and Entrepreneurship and also volunteered time with CASA of Madison County in two fundraising events. Mrs. Yearata is a native of Huntsville. As a wife and mom, has volunteered as a room mother, Red Cross school Clinic assistant, Sunday School teacher, VBS teacher, VBS co-director, and CP Church Women's Group Leader. Melony is a member of WID, NDIA, and Tennessee Valley GRITS and for many years supported the Heart Association and Margarita Ball community events. Melony is married to Joe Yearata for 42 years and has two sons Daniel Yearata age 39 and Joey Yearata age 38 and two precious fur babies.



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