

2003 Engineer of Distinction



David L. Davidson

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Citation

Mr. David L. Davidson received his Civil Engineering Bachelor and Master of Science degrees in 1973 and 1975, respectively, from Tennessee Technological University. His 28-year distinguished career includes technical achievements and management in various capacities for the civil engineering industry.

Upon graduation, Mr. Davidson worked for a consulting firm in Cookeville for nearly three years. In 1978, he joined Barge, Waggoner, Sumner, Cannon Inc. (BWSC) of Nashville and was primarily responsible for structural design and project management of commercial, industrial, institutional, and highway bridge projects. In 1981, he was assigned the task of establishing a branch office in the Upper Cumberland region of Tennessee and became its Assistant Vice President after 3 years of service. In 1985, Mr. Davidson was promoted to assume responsibility for the corporate supervision of BWSC branch offices in Cookeville, Memphis, and Huntsville (Alabama). His subsequent assignments in BWSC were: Vice President and member of the Board of Directors (1987), Manager of Nashville Architectural/Industrial Division (1988), Senior Vice President/Secretary/treasurer (1991), and Executive Vice President/Secretary/Treasurer (1992). In 2002, Mr. Davidson was elected President and Chief Operating Officer.

Active in numerous professional organizations, Mr. Davidson was voted Young Engineer of the Year by the Nashville Chapter of the Tennessee Society of Professional Engineers in 1988. He has served as President of the Consulting Engineers of Tennessee, Nashville Chapter of the Tennessee Society of Professional Engineers, and the Nashville Post of the American Society of Military Engineers. Additionally, he serves on the TTU College of Engineering Dean's Advisory Board and the Civil and Environmental Engineering Board of Advisors.

Mr. Davidson is a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE), National Society of Professional Engineers (NSPE), and American Concrete Institute International (ACI). He is a registered professional engineer in Tennessee, Alabama, and Kentucky.

Mr. Davidson resides in Brentwood, Tennessee, with his wife, Delores. They have two children.