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Ernie Averett's Profile

Travels from Raleigh, NC, USA



A Talent Agency

Ernie Averett is the seventh consecutive generation to live and work at the Flatwood Farms, an ancestral farm, being in his family since 1823. It is a diversified row crop and timber producing farm.

He is co-founder of the Tar River Land Conservancy, where he has served as Chairman of the Board since 2003 to the present.

Under his leadership and promotion, TRLC has become one of the most successful land trusts in North Carolina and larger region. To date they have preserved over 19,000 acres of forests and farmland spanning 151 properties. TRLC is an accredited Land Trust by the national Land Trust Alliance. TRLC has been the recipient of numerous awards from corporate and governmental entities.

His activities in Conservation work include: Annual lobbyist to the NC General Assembly for the preservation of monies in the state budget primarily through the Clean Water Management Trust Fund.

In 2002 & 2009 Ernie lobbied US Congress on behalf of American Farm Trust for Farm Bill Funding.

From 1998 to 2000 He served as Granville County Commissioner.

Commencing in 1996 to the present, Ernie has pursued funding at the county and regional level with numerous elected boards for matching funds relative to a host of TRLC projects

He has a BS in Biology from East Carolina University @ Greenville, and a Master Of Life Sciences Botany and Crop Science from North Carolina State University @ Raleigh.

Specialties

Land preservation; Regulations governing land preservation process; Building a conservation organization; Developing and maintaining a membership base

Target Audience

Civic groups, environmental organizations, industries, universities or other entities with an interest in the importance of land preservation

TOPIC:

LAND PRESERVATION

Inspiring and validating information about land preservation. It is designed to inspire and validate this work with audiences which are generally sympathetic to this issue.

During this talk audiences will learn:

- Steps for building a successful conservation organization from the ground up
- Developing and maintaining a membership base
- Regulations governing the land preservation process.
- Hear real life success stories that include how land preservation was accomplished
- Achievable success even in uncertain economic times
- Historical context for land protection in America over the last 150 years
- Benefits to our society
- The importance of financial support.
- Needs for continuous and seamless effort

You will leave with a better understanding and forward looking manner for future preservation

Please call for fees

Testimonial:

"Ernie has been a hero for conservation in our state. His energy and passion flat out produce results."

— **Katherine Skinner, Ex-Director,
North Carolina Nature Conservancy**

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