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USATF-SC MEMBERSHIP ELECT NEW EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

Clarence L Richardson, Jr. (Coach Rich) – President

Coach Rich has coached track for 34 years and involved in track as an athlete, coach, administrator, meet director collectively for 40 years. He is the Head Coach, Myrtle Beach Track Club – Cross Country since 2011, and has served as Executive Director since 2014. He currently coaches the middle-distance, distance, sprint/hurdles coach and assists with horizontal/vertical jumps. “Coach” is an Association Certified Official, USATF Certified Coach (Level 1), and a Registered Coach in the USATF Coach’s Registry.

“Coach Rich” is a former Air Force (Pacific Forces-Philippines), Air Force Academy and US Olympic Coach at the US Olympic Training Center (’84), Colorado Springs CO, where he coached Alonzo Babers, 400m (43.8)/4x400m Champion as member of US Air Academy “Inter-Service Championship” Track Team.

“Coach” is the Meet Director, Carolina Track and Field Challenge (2012-Present), acted as the Associated Meet Director for the 2014 USATF National JO XC Championships in Myrtle Beach, SC respectively, to include directing track meets and training camps in the Philippines. Rich has coached and managed championship athletes and programs at the USATF, high school, collegiate, military, international and Olympic Level. “Coach Rich” is a 1982 Philippine National 4x100m Champion (USAF), where he also coached a National High School 4x100m – 2nd Place Championship Team.

He is actively involved as an Official and in various Meet Management roles for Coastal Carolina University Shamrock and Invitational; Beach Run Invitational (High School) in Myrtle Beach and Meet Director, Carolina Track and Field Challenge (USATF Youth, Open, Masters).

Rich is a Retired Sr. Management Consultant in Homeland Security, Counter-Terrorism, Disaster and Emergency Management; and prior service Air Force (Active Duty) in Law Enforcement/Air Intelligence Operations at the Air Force and Wing Command Level, with 14 years of federal service for the Air Force in technical training school resources management, and the Department of Defense in finance and accounting management, public relations and communications.

“Coach Rich” is a 1979 B.S Degree Graduate of Criminal Law from Troy University, Troy AL, and a graduate of Columbus High School, Columbus-Ft Benning Georgia. He lived and worked in Denver CO for 22 years prior to moving to Myrtle Beach in 2011.

Norman Venyah - 1st Vice President

Norman has been a USATF member/official for 20 years with a current Master Level Certification. Norman’s credentials include officiating track and field meets throughout the United States as Head Field Event Official, Umpire, or Referee at various levels of competition; and Official’s Coordinator for national track & field and cross country meets. He is a former 1st Vice President and former certification chair for the South Carolina Association. Norman currently resides in Lexington, SC, with his wife Mary who is also a certified official.

Bill Truman—2nd Vice President

Bill is the Head Coach and President of Florence Track Club for 15 years and President of the Florence Track Club 2016. He is the Meet Director for Florence Developmental Track and Field Meet (2014-2015) host in Darlington SC and has been an Association Official since 2012. He is a graduate of Francis Marion University with degrees in Computer Science and Mathematics, and a Senior Systems Engineer at Wellman Advanced Materials in Johnsonville, SC. He has lived in Florence, SC for 34 years.

Wayne Lacy--Treasurer

Wayne has been a volunteer coach with the Florence Track Club, Florence SC since 2015, where he currently resides after relocating from Burlington, Vermont. He is a former pole vault coach at the University of Vermont, and is a former collegiate decathlete with two college records in the pole vault and pentathlon that still stand. Wayne was a 3-time Masters All American including one national master's championship in the pole vault.

Wayne and his wife Sheri started a USATF Youth track and field club while living in Burlington, VT. He is a CPA, a CMA currently employed as Assistant Controller at Westrock. Wayne earned his Bachelor's degree in Professional Accounting from Plattsburgh State University (1989). He and his wife, Sheri have four daughters, Kayleigh, Ashleigh (Twins), Rileigh, and Shaleigh.

Mary Venyah- Secretary

Mary has been a USATF member and official for 2 years and resides in Lexington, SC with her husband Norman. She is a dedicated and successful educator 17 years with 10 years in Richland School District One. Mary is a certified official in multi- track and field events that include Race Walking.

Appointment of Youth Chair

Michael Fournoy – Youth Chair

Michael has been a member of USATF South Carolina for eight years, is a Certified Official, a Level 1 Certified USATF Coach, and involved with the Youth Program since 2010. He coaches the Mt. Pleasant Track Club's javelin throwers with notable success, having coached USATF SC, Region, and National Champions to include a World Youth Team Athlete (Liam Christensen). Michael is active in various Track Club roles during the cross country season as well.

Michael has been employed as a Software Engineer for 10 years. He is a graduate of Georgia Tech with a B.S. Degree in Computer Science ('06) and a graduate of South Forsyth High School, Cumming GA. He is energetic, detail-oriented, a good listener and is looking forward to help serve the South Carolina Youth Track & Field community. Michael currently resides in Mt. Pleasant, SC