



Charles County Government

Ralph E. Patterson, II, M.A.

VICE PRESIDENT & COMMISSIONER, DISTRICT 4



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Vice President - District 4

Commissioner Vice President Ralph E. Patterson, II, M.A. (District 4) is a proud lifelong Charles County resident. CA graduate of McDonough High School, he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in History from the American University in Washington, D.C. He received a Master of Arts degree in History from the University of Alabama, Birmingham. Also, Commissioner Vice President Patterson holds an Advanced Professional Certificate from Trinity University. Currently, Commissioner Vice President Patterson is a high school Special Education teacher in Prince George's County.

He was Special Education Transition Coordinator for Surrattsville High School (2020-present) and the National Academies Division Awards Chairman (2005). Commissioner Vice President Patterson is a member of the Prince George's County Education Association and National Education Association.

Commissioner Vice President Patterson served on:

- Charles County Democratic Central Committee (2021 – 2022).
- Charles County Government Ethics Commission (2021-2022).
- Education Association of Charles County; and the
- Prince George's County Education Association Government Relations Committee (2019-present).
- Elected Vice President of the Commissioners (2023 – Present)

In 2005, Commissioner Vice President Patterson was bestowed with The National Academies Team Award for Outstanding Achievement. In 2011, while serving as the Girls Soccer Coach at Henry E. Lackey High School (LHS), he was named Southern Maryland Athletic Conference Coach of the Year. Commissioner Vice President Patterson is the author of *"Silver Bullet: Depleted Uranium as a Military Weapon,"* published in 2008 in the Vulcan Historical Journal.

Commissioner Vice President Patterson enjoys giving back to his community through coaching. He was head coach of the varsity girls' soccer team at LHS (2010 – 2014); head coach of the junior varsity softball team at LHS (2011 – 2014); head coach of the Mock Trial Team at LHS (2011 – 2014); and is the head coach of the varsity boys' soccer team at Surrattsville High School in Prince George's County (2021 – Present).

Commissioner Vice President Patterson has a strong family background of service. His mother is Maryland State Delegate and former Commissioner Edith Patterson, and his father was a Desert Storm Veteran and served 30 years in the U.S. Army. His parents instilled in him a fierce sense of service to his community and country. Commissioner Patterson believes it is essential and that one shows commitment to what you support through words and service. Commissioner Vice President Patterson has a strong family background of service.