

Frank L. Williams

Education

- B.A. in Communication, N.C. State University (1993)
 - UNC School of Government Advanced Leadership Corps (ALC), 2020
 - UNC School of Government Local Elected Leaders Academy (LELA), Mentor Level
 - Spring 1996 Fellow, N.C. Institute of Political Leadership
 - Grinnell Leadership Jumpstart Program (2006)
 - North Brunswick High School (1988)
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Business Ownership & Management

- Pioneer Strategies, Inc., President & Founder (August 2001-present)
 - Frontier Political Group, LLC, Managing Member (June 2019-present)
 - Pioneer Specialties, LLC, Managing Member (November 2018-present)
 - Frank Williams Media, LLC, Managing Member (February 2017-present)
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Awards

- *Southport Magazine* Maggie Award, Local Official Who Worked the Hardest During Hurricane Florence (selected by the magazine's readers; 2018)
 - Cape Fear Council of Governments Lynwood Norris Regional Champion Award (2015)
 - UNC School of Government Local Elected Leaders Academy (LELA), Mentor Level
 - *Triangle Business Journal's* "40 Under 40" Leadership Award (2006)
 - N.C. State University Communication Alumni Circle's Outstanding Alumni Achievement Award (2006)
 - North Carolina Republican Party Hall of Fame (2011)
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Professional Involvement

Public Relations Society of America

- Vice President & Membership Chair, N.C. Chapter (2021)
- Counselors Academy (2016-present)

National Federation of Independent Business

- Member, North Carolina Leadership Council (2014-2018)

Raleigh Public Relations Society

- President (2006-2008)
- Vice President (2004-2006)

Memberships

- Affiliate Member, Association Executives of North Carolina
- North Brunswick Chamber of Commerce
- Southport-Oak Island Chamber of Commerce
- Brunswick County Chamber of Commerce
- Wilmington Chamber of Commerce

Community & Public Service**Brunswick County Commissioner**

- Elected in 2012, re-elected in 2016 and 2020
- Chairman of the Board (2017, 2018, 2019, 2020)
- Board Member, Brunswick Business & Industry Development (2017-2020)
- Board Member, Lower Cape Fear Water & Sewer Authority (2017-present)
- Chair, Military Ocean Terminal Sunny Point (MOTSU) Joint Land Use Study (JLUS) Policy Committee (2018-19)
- Chair, Cape Fear Rural Planning Organization Transportation Advisory Committee (2014-present)
- Rail Relocation Task Force (2015-17)
- Greater Wilmington Metropolitan Planning Organization (Board Member 2012-present; Vice Chair, 2016)
- Cape Fear Council of Governments (Board Member 2012-2016; Vice Chair, 2015-16)
- Southeast Economic Development Commission (2013-14)

N.C. Association of County Commissioners

- President Elect (August 2020-present)
- 1st Vice President (August 2019-August 2020)
- 2nd Vice President (August 2018-August 2019)
- Member, Legislative Goals Committee (2013-17)
- Chair, General Government Steering Committee (2016-17)
- Member, General Government Steering Committee (2013-18)
- Delegate, 2015 Legislative Goals Conference

National Association of Counties

- International Economic Development Task Force (2019-present)
- Rural Action Caucus (2020-present)
- Broadband Task Force (2021-present)

Civic Involvement

- Charter Member, Leland Area Rotary Club (2010-present); Paul Harris Fellow; Programs Chair (2013-14); President (2011-12)
- Cape Fear Council, Boy Scouts of America, Executive Board (2015-2017); Chairman, Leland Leadership Breakfast (2010, 2011)
- Rotary District 7730, Area 4 Membership Advocate (2014-15)
- Member, N.C. Commission on Volunteerism & Community Service (2013-2017)
- Brunswick Sheriff's Citizens Academy, Class 14 (2013)
- Economic Development Chair, North Brunswick Chamber of Commerce (2010-2012)
- Board of Directors, North Brunswick Chamber of Commerce (2009-2012)
- Board of Directors, Communities in Schools of Brunswick County (2010-2012)
- Brunswick Community College Small Business Center Advisory Committee (2010-2012)
- Raleigh Jaycees; Publicity Director (2001); Chair, Electoral College Seminar; Chair, Jaycee Business Network; Chair, Regional Business Forum; Chair, Business Communication Workshop
- Priority Associates' New York City outreach trip three weeks after the 9/11 terrorist attack
- Theta Chi Fraternity, Delta Rho Chapter Alumni Corporation President (1999-2001)

Personal

- Lives in Leland with wife, Lori, and world-famous cat, Sami
- Member, Northside Baptist Church
- Self-published author of two novels
- Aspiring nature photographer
- N.C. State Wolfpack fan
- Enjoys fishing, reading, watching ACC sports and meeting new people