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CTAA Announces 2019 Regional Board of Director Election Results

Washington, D.C. – September 16, 2019. The Community Transportation Association of America (CTAA) has announced the results from its 2019 Regional Board of Director Elections: Robert Hiett, to serve as the Southeast Regional Board Member; Jacklyn Montgomery, to serve as the West Regional Board Member; and Bruce Simms, to serve as the Mid-Atlantic Regional Board Member. Additionally, Barb Cline and Dan Wedge were re-elected to serve the Upper Midwest and Great Lakes regions, respectively. All were elected to three-year terms.

“The Association and its Board of Directors are delighted to introduce our new Regional Board Members,” said President of CTAA’s Board of Directors Elaine Wells. “In order to best represent our 1,500 members it’s critical to have a strong geographic representation on the Board. I am confident that Robert, Jacklyn and Bruce will not only bring new ideas and perspectives, but will also work tirelessly to best advocate and inform our members across the country.”

"We are thrilled to include Robert, Jacklyn and Bruce as an integral part of our organization," said CTAA Executive Director Scott Bogren. "Our Board of Directors provide pivotal and innovative guidance for the direction of the Association. We feel assured that these new members will not only bolster CTAA's work for the transportation industry, but add invaluable knowledge to the field."

Robert Hiett serves as the Executive Director at the Upper Coastal Plain Council of Governments in Wilson, N.C. and oversees the administering of aging services, economic development, community planning, and workforce development programs in five counties. Hiett has 20 years of experience with transit and transportation planning programs. Previously, he served six years as a CTAA State Delegate, and 16 years as a rural board member for the Georgia Transit Association. "I am honored to serve as the CTAA Southeastern Regional Director. I look forward to working with my colleagues to make the case for transit. Transit and mobility options are critical for our senior citizens, those who need service to job training locations, and to provide access to medical services. CTAA plays a huge role in these discussions, and I am excited to work with Scott and fellow CTAA board members to strengthen the transportation network," said Hiett.

Jacklyn Montgomery is the Executive Director of the California Association for Coordinated Transportation (CalACT) in Sacramento, Calif., and has more than 25 years of experience managing transportation programs. "I am very honored to serve as the Western Regional Representative on the CTAA

Board of Directors. I look forward to working with my colleagues and members in the region to reinforce CTAA's mission. As a Director, I plan to advocate for an increase in dedicated funding for transit agencies during the next federal Authorization. My goal is to support CTAA staff in providing technical assistance and quality training to ensure members can continue providing critical mobility services for all," said Montgomery.

Bruce Simms is the CEO of Virginia Regional Transit for 10 years and has more than 25 years of experience in the transit industry, including both bus and airline management. "It's an honor to become part of CTAA's instrumental leadership team. This is an exciting and innovative time for transit. I am anxious to listen, learn and support the Mid-Atlantic agencies to support the communities in the region," said Simms.

For the full list of CTAA's Board of Directors, along with comprehensive biographies of each member, click [here](#).

The Community Transportation Association, established in 1989, is a national non-profit, membership association committed to removing barriers to isolation and improving mobility for all people. The Association provides informational resources, technical assistance, training and certification, and many additional resources to communities, transportation providers, and other groups to increase mobility and improve the quality of community and public transportation.