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CRAIG PHILLIPS JOINS AIKEN HORSE PARK FOUNDATION BOARD



Craig, and his wife Liz Phillips, recently moved to Aiken from Ocala, Florida. They are both avid equestrians and have visited Aiken regularly over the years. They were

immediately drawn to the appeal of the Aiken Horse Park, where they have participated in numerous horse shows.

Craig was raised in Orlando, Florida and attended Vanderbilt University where he received a BA in Economics and Business Administration. He moved to New York in 1976 and pursued a career in Investment Banking, with a specialization in capital markets and securitized products. He served as a Managing Director at Morgan Stanley for 14 years before moving to BlackRock in 2008, where he established the Financial Markets Advisory Group in BlackRock Solutions. He served in the capacity of Under Secretary of Domestic Finance at the U.S. Department of the Treasury between January 2017 and July 2019. He is presently a special advisor to the CEO at Grain Management, a private equity firm that invests in digital and telecommunication infrastructure.

Craig and Liz are both passionate about the mission of the Aiken Horse Park and its tremendous potential. They have purchased a farm that sits on a historic site that was the first major conservation easement granted to the Aiken Land Conservancy in the early 1990's. The Phillips' appreciate the commitment the Aiken community has to preserving its rich historical legacy while also pursuing responsible, progressive growth and continual improvement.

The Phillips' have five adult children.

Upon joining the Board, Craig commented:

The transformation of the Aiken Horse Park over the last several years is truly remarkable. The improved infrastructure helps expand the scope of its equestrian programming and ultimately the impact it can have funding charitable endeavors that support the Aiken community.

Foundation Board Chair John Stephens noted:

We are excited to have Craig, along with the formidable knowledge and experience of his wife Liz, associated with the Aiken Horse Park Foundation. We believe his expertise, passion and energy will help move our mission forward.

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