



News Release

1207 E. Main St., Suite 300
Richmond, VA 23219
For Immediate Release

Contact: Gage Harter (804) 343-2502
gharter@vaco.org

VACo Names Adkins President for 2010-2011 **Local officials also select regional representatives to the Board of Directors**

Nov. 10, 2010

The membership of the Virginia Association of Counties elected Wise County Supervisor Robert R. Adkins as 2010-2011 President during VACo's 76th Annual Conference in Bath County. Adkins and other newly elected officers started their terms at the association's Annual Business Meeting on Nov. 9.

Adkins replaces Isle of Wight County Supervisor Phillip A. Bradshaw and becomes the first-ever president from Wise County and the third-ever from Southwest Virginia.

"I'm very proud to stand before you as the (2010-2011) VACo President," Adkins said during his acceptance speech.

Adkins, 76, was elected to the Wise County Board of Supervisors in 1995 and has served as chairman twice and vice chair once during his tenure. He joined the VACo Board of Directors in 2004.

"Bob is a cerebral leader, and in this time of uncertainty, his style will serve our membership well," VACo Executive Director James D. Campbell said. "Bob represents a rural part of Virginia, a section that's sometimes not heard. Bob will be the voice and lead the charge for rural issues and concerns as well as fighting for the interests of our bigger counties. VACo is fortunate to have Bob Adkins as its president."

Adkins was born and raised in Wise County. He attended Pound High School. He later owned and operated a family automotive repair and tire center for 40 years. Today, he works as a landlord of rental properties.

Adkins is active in the Kiwanis Club that does community service and fundraisers, especially with the University of Virginia's College at Wise and other area schools.

Adkins is married to Teresa Adkins, who is a faculty member at the University of Virginia's College at Wise. He has a son and a daughter, two granddaughters and three great-granddaughters.

2010/2011 VACo Executive Committee

President: Robert R. Adkins, Wise County

President-Elect: Barbara A. Favola, Arlington County

First Vice President: Catherine M. Hudgins, Fairfax County

Second Vice President: John D. Miller, Middlesex County

Secretary-Treasurer: Harrison A. Moody, Dinwiddie County

Past Presidents

Donald L. Hart, Jr., Accomack County

William B. Kyger Jr., Rockingham County

Newly Elected Board Directors

In addition to the VACo Executive Committee and Immediate Past Presidents, the Board of Directors comprises 24 supervisors representing 13 regions of the state. The terms are on a two-year cycle and the number of directors, per region, is based on the population.

This year, representatives were selected in regions 1, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12.

[\(Click here for a regional map\)](#)

Newly elected board members include:

Region 1: Judy S. Lyttle, Surry County

Region 3: Patricia S. O'Bannon, Henrico County

Region 5: Constance Brennan, Nelson County

Region 6: J. Michael Hobert, Clarke County

Region 7: Wayne A. Acors, Caroline County

Region 8: Sharon S. Bulova, Fairfax County

Region 8: Gerry W. Hyland, Fairfax County

Region 8: J. Walter Tejada, Arlington County

Region 8: Vacant

Region 10: Hugh T. Pendleton, Jr., Campbell County

Region 11: Richard C. Flora, Roanoke County

Region 12: Danny C. McDaniel, Wythe County

VACo exists to support county officials and to effectively represent, promote and protect the interests of counties to better serve the people of Virginia.

###