## Charlton L. "Chuck" Whipple Executive Director, Enterprise Campus Authority

Mr. Whipple is the Executive Director of the Enterprise Campus Authority and Economic Development Director for Midlands Technical College. He is responsible for the development of a 130-acre Industrial Park and manages a 25,000 square foot Accelerator facility. He previously was the Director of Economic Development for Lexington County, South Carolina and has over 35 years of economic development and finance related experience. While at Lexington County, he assisted the county in developing, from scratch, three industrial parks that encompasses more than 1,000 acres.

He is an alumnus of South Carolina State University; the Louisiana State University Graduate School of Banking of the South; University of Oklahoma's Economic Development Institute and the SC Economic Development Advanced Symposium.

He has participated in the following leadership programs: SC Executive Institute; Leadership SC; Leadership Lexington County and Leadership Columbia. His career focus has been in the Banking, Finance and Economic Development arena. He has been directly involved in more than \$7.5 billion in various finance and economic development transactions across South Carolina and the globe.

Whipple is currently an Executive Committee Member and immediate Past Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Southern Economic Development Council, a 17 southern state, 1,000-member economic development trade organization. He is a former president of South Carolina Economic Developers' Association, a 600-member economic development trade organization for the State of South Carolina. He has held leadership roles in more than a dozen civic and charitable organizations.

His interests include golfing, traveling, watching and participating in sports related activities. His most accomplished developments are his two children, Charlton, II and Whitney Julianna.