

**Mississippi Transportation Institute**  
*“Defining Mississippi’s Transportation Network and Opportunities”*

**October 29-30, 2018**  
**Clyde Muse Center, Pearl, Mississippi**  
**DRAFT AGENDA**

**Monday, October 29, 2018**

- 10 :30 am**                    **MTI Board Meeting**
- 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm**      **REGISTRATION**
- 1:30 pm – 1:45 pm**      **Welcome and Opening Remarks**  
*Master of Ceremonies : Amy Hornback, CPM, Secretary to Commission, MTI Secretary*  
*Melinda McGrath, P.E., Executive Director, Mississippi Department of Transportation and Chairperson, MTI Board of Directors*  
*Tom King, Southern District Transportation Commissioner, Mississippi Transportation Commission*  
*Ray Balentine, P.E., MTI President and Vice-President – Office Executive, Michael Baker International*
- 1:45 pm – 3:15 pm**      **Drones – Trends and Applications for Transportation Industry**  
*Alicia McConnell, Transportation Engineer, Michael Baker International*  
*Jennifer A. Urban, Director of Compliance, CLEAR*  
*Kris Graham, Attorney, Taggart, Rimes & Graham*  
*Mike Hainsey, Executive Director, Golden Triangle Regional Airport*
- 3:15 pm – 3:30 pm**      **BREAK**
- 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm**      **Professional Ethics (CEUs and PDHs)**  
*Donna Hodges, Attorney, Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality*
- 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm**      **RECEPTION – Trustmark Park, Pearl**  
**\*\*Badge required\*\***

**Tuesday, October 30, 2018**

- 7:30 am – 8:30 am**      **Registration and Breakfast**
- 8:30 am – 9:30 am**      **Defining the Future of Automated Vehicles**

*Suzanne J. Murtha, Vice President for Connected and Automated Technology,  
AECOM*

**9:30 am – 10:00 am**    **Mississippi's Military Bases – Opportunities**  
*Mark Prine, Colonel (retired) and Special Projects Officer, Camp Shelby Joint  
Forces Training Center*

**10:00 am – 10:30 am**    **BREAK**

**10:30 am – 11:30 am**    **The Importance of Collaboration**  
*Tom Flick, Owner, Tom Flick Communications*

**11:30 am – 1:30 pm**    **Lunch**  
**Invocation**  
*Mike Tagert, Northern District Transportation Commissioner, Mississippi  
Transportation Commission*  
**Defining Mississippi's Transportation Network**  
*Bruce Lambert, Owner, Mentis LLC*  
**Special MTI Recognition**  
*Ray Balentine*

**1:30 pm – 1:45 pm**    **BREAK**

**1:45 pm – 2:15 pm**    **The State of Transportation in Mississippi**  
*Dick Hall, Central District Transportation Commissioner and Chairman,  
Mississippi Transportation Commission*

**2:15 pm – 3:15 pm**    **Retaining Mississippi's Talent**  
*Dr. Mark E. Keenum, President, Mississippi State University*

**3:15pm – 3:30 pm**    **BREAK**

**3:30 pm – 4:30 pm**    **Normal Is Gone And It Won't Be Back**  
*Janie Walters, Founder and CEO, Champion Communications*

**4:30 pm – 4:45 pm.**    **Closing Remarks**  
*Ray Balentine*  
*Mary Ann Moon, President Elect, MTI*  
*Melinda McGrath*