



State of Mississippi
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

COMMISSIONER DICK HALL
CHAIRMAN



Mississippi Transportation Commissioner Dick Hall is a lifelong Mississippian whose family helped to settle the Mississippi Territory. After earning a bachelor's degree from Mississippi State University, he served as an officer in the U.S. Army Field Artillery.

Prior to being elected Commissioner, Hall served 24 years in the Mississippi Legislature. His experience in the Mississippi Legislature was extremely broad-based serving three terms as a Representative and three terms as a Senator. In both the House and the Senate, Hall chaired the Environment Committees of each chamber, respectively. Other chairmanships included the Senate Public Health and Welfare Committee and the Senate Appropriations Committee – the first Republican to occupy this position in over 100 years.

Hall was appointed Central District Transportation Commissioner by Governor Kirk Fordice in 1999 to fill an unexpired term. He is now in his fifth full term as Central Transportation Commissioner, currently serving as Chairman of the 3-member Commission. The central district covers 22 counties with a population of roughly one million.

During Hall's 19 years as Commissioner, he has seen many accomplishments across the central district. Commissioner Hall is known for saying, "*We're not just building a transportation system. We're building an economy*".

Hall's contributions to public service have been recognized with numerous awards including being the first recipient of the Hugh L. White Free Enterprise Award; the first recipient of the Friend of Education Award; Conservation Legislator the Year; and Alumnus of the Year by the Mid-Mississippi Chapter of the MSU Alumni Association.

Throughout his career, Hall has also been active in his community, serving on various boards of directors and volunteering his time for charitable endeavors.