



Brooks Raiford | President + CEO

North Carolina Technology Association (NC TECH)

Brooks Raiford has served as President + CEO of the North Carolina Technology Association since 2008. NC TECH is the statewide industry association for the tech sector, representing more than 600 member companies and organizations that collectively employ over 250,000 North Carolinians.

Early in his career, Brooks served as a policy aide to the Governor of North Carolina, where a key focus area was information technology and its impact on a variety of public policy areas. Subsequently, he held leadership positions in North Carolina's nonprofit and business sectors.

Brooks' current and recent leadership activities include serving as an appointee of the Chief Justice of the North Carolina Supreme Court to the North Carolina Commission on the Administration of Law and Justice; Vice Chair (and US Policy Chair) of the Board of Directors of the Technology Councils of North America; member of the Board of Advisors for CyberUSA; member of the North Carolina Advisory Committee of the US Global Leadership Coalition; member of the UNC-Wilmington MHA Healthcare Advisory Board; member of the Corporate Advisory Board of the Independent College Fund of North Carolina; Vice Chair of the Board of Trustees of Guilford College; and President of the Dean's Advisory Board for the College of Humanities and Social Sciences at NC State University, where he is a former Student Body President and University Trustee.

Brooks is a past recipient of the national Tech Voice Champion Award from the Computing Technology Industry Association; he is a Fellow of the German Marshall Fund of the United States' Marshall Memorial Fellowship; and has been named to the Information Technology Power List multiple years by Business North Carolina magazine.