

Department of Veterans Affairs
CARES Commission
Capital Asset Realignment for Enhanced Services

AUGUST 28, 2003
ATLANTA HEARING (VISN 7)
ALABAMA AND GEORGIA MARKETS
WITNESS LIST

1:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLIANCE— Mr. Thomas E. Cauthorn
OPENING REMARKS—COMMISSIONER BATTAGLIA

PANNEL #1

Mr. W. Kenneth Ruyle, Acting Network Director, VISN 7, accompanied by:
Ms. Anne Huguenin, Health Systems Specialist, VISN 7
Dr. Carter Mecher, Chief Medical Officer, VISN 7
Mr. Roger D. Welch, Associate Director for Operations, CAVHCS
Mr. Thomas A. Cappello, Medical Center Director, Atlanta
Mr. James F. Trusley III, Medical Center Director, Augusta

PANEL #2

Mr. Tom Cook, American Legion
Mr. Albert R. Spears, Veterans of Foreign Wars
Mr. Marquis Barefield, Disabled American Veterans
Mr. Chuck Izzett, Paralyzed Veterans of America
Mr. James Frederick for Pete Wheeler, Commissioner, Georgia Department of
Veterans Services

PANEL #3

Ms. Emma Jean Powell, President, Georgia Nurses Association, Atlanta VAMC
Ms. Cindy Elliott, President, AFGE #503, CAVHCS *(no written statement)*
Ms. Janice Stewart, President, AFGE, Local #1985, Dublin VAMC
(no written statement)
Mr. Elijah Williams, President, AFGE, Atlanta VAMC *(no written statement)*

PANEL #4

Dr. Nigel Harris, Dean and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs,
Morehouse School of Medicine
Dr. Peter Makaya, Director, Middle Georgia College, Dublin Campus
Dr. Daniel W. Rahn, President, Medical College of Georgia *(unable to attend)*
Dean William B. Deal, MD, University of Alabama, Birmingham School of Medicine
(unable to attend)
Dean Thomas J. Lawley, MD, Emory University School of Medicine *(unable to attend)*

PANEL #5

Mr. Bob Young, Mayor of Augusta, Georgia

Colonel Anthony Van Goor, Commander 42nd Medical Group, Maxwell AFB, AL

Mr. Keith Sickafosse, Chief, Managed Care, Eisenhower Army Medical Center

(no written statement)

Dr. J. Roy Rowland, Former Member, US House of Representatives

Congressional Statements

Senator Zell Miller

Senator Saxby Chambliss