

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

September 8, 2003
CHARLESTON HEARING (VISN 7)
SOUTH CAROLINA MARKET
WITNESS LIST

10:00 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

OPENING REMARKS—COMMISSIONER JOSEPH BINARD, MD

PANNEL #1

Mr. W. Kenneth Ruyle, Acting Network Director, VISN 7, accompanied by:
Mr. Mark Anderson, Planner, VISN 7
Dr. Carter Mecher, Chief Medical Officer, VISN 7
Mr. William Mountcastle, Director, VAMC Charleston
Mr. Brian Heckert, Director, VAMC Columbia
Ms. Laura Krejci, CARES Coordinator, VAMC Columbia

PANEL #2

Mr. Lee Caulder, Acting Director, Division of Veterans Affairs
(No written statement provided)
Mr. Chuck Izzett, Paralyzed Veterans of America
(Unable to attend, no written statement provided)
Mr. Jimmy Hawk, The American Legion
Alta Milling, Vietnam Veterans of America
Mr. Gerald T. Pothier, Veterans of Foreign Wars
(Unable to attend, no written statement provided)
Mr. Brian Kerovac, Disabled American Veterans

PANEL #3

Ms. Kate Smith, President, NAGE R-150 *(No written statement provided)*
Mr. Fletcher Truesdell, President, NAGE R5-136 *(No written statement provided)*

PANEL #4

Mr. Joseph Riley, Mayor, Charleston, SC *(No written statement provided)*
Dr. Raymond Greenberg, Medical University of SC *(No written statement provided)*
Dr. Larry Faulkner, USC School of Medicine *(No written statement provided)*
Captain Greg Hall, Executive Officer, Charleston Naval Hospital
Mr. Carl Hawkins, Director, VBA
Ms. Judith Curfman Thompson, Executive Director, South Carolina Nurses Association
(Unable to attend, written statement provided)

PANEL #5

Mr. David Mollett, President, Local 5th District Representative

(No written statement provided)

Ms. Jenese Staley, AFGE 1194 *(No written statement provided)*

Mr. Raymond Mitchell, Vice President AFGE Local 1915

(No written statement provided)

Congressional Statements

Senator Earnest F. Hollings

Senator Lindsey O. Graham