

# **Douglas R. Hooker, P.E.**

## **Biography**

Doug Hooker serves as the Vice President and Director for the East Region of PBS&J, one of the nation's largest engineering and architecture firms. In this role Doug is responsible for overall business strategy and profitability, client service, and community affairs for PBS&J's offices in ranging from Mississippi to the New York/New Jersey area. He has held a variety of positions in both the public and private sectors. He began his career with the Georgia Power Company in various engineering roles. Doug worked with Bio-Lab, Inc. as Director of Administration & Corporate Planning and later Director of Marketing Administration. He has worked in leadership roles with the engineering consulting firms S.L. King & Associates and HDR Engineering, Inc.

His began his public sector career, serving as the first Deputy Commissioner of Public Works for the City of Atlanta. Later he became the Commissioner and led the department in its preparations for and operations during the 1996 Centennial Olympic Games. After which he returned to the private sector. In 2003, he was appointed by Governor Sonny Perdue to lead the State Road & Tollway Authority of Georgia. Under his leadership the SRTA made important contributions to transportation policy for Georgia, including the proposal to include High Occupancy Toll (HOT) Lanes and Truck Only Toll (TOT) Lanes in state and regional approaches for managing the Atlanta region's long-term transportation challenges.

Doug Hooker is a native of Georgia, born in Moultrie. He holds undergraduate and master's degree from the Georgia Institute of Technology. He also has an MBA from the Goizueta Business School of Emory University, where he was given the Gordon Siefkin Award for Most Outstanding Student.

He serves or has served on various community boards. He is the current Chairman of the Board for the Regional Atlanta Civic League and the Board Chairman for the Emory Board of Visitors. His other community involvement includes the Metro Atlanta Chamber of Commerce, the Georgia Conservancy, the Regional Leadership Forum, Research Atlanta, and the Metro Group, the Livable Communities Coalition, the Council for Quality Growth and the Institute for Georgia Environmental Leadership (IGEL). Most recently he has joined the board of the Regional Business Coalition. Doug served as a gubernatorial appointee to the Metro North Georgia Water Planning District in its first two years of existence and the Governor's Advisory Council on the ACT/ACF River Basin Compacts. He is an alumnus of the Regional Leadership Institute, Leadership Atlanta, Leadership Georgia, and IGEL.

His interest and passion for music are lifelong, although he has done no formal studies since high school. While in high school, he played several musical instruments, primarily oboe and viola. He played viola in the Cincinnati Youth Symphony Orchestra for five years.

His musical interests are eclectic, ranging from jazz to classical to world music. Recently, the DeKalb Symphony Orchestra premiered his first symphonic composition entitled the "*Sinai Symphony*". He has been a member of Radcliffe Presbyterian Church for many years, having served as an elder, youth group adviser, Building Committee chairman, and choir member. He resides in the Cascade Heights area of south Fulton County. He is married to Patrise Perkins-Hooker (Georgia Tech Industrial Management 1980, Emory JD/MBA 1984), has two children and three grandchildren.