

## Johnny Mmanu-ike appointed Director of Public Transit

**J**ohnny Mmanu-ike has been appointed as the Director for the Office of Public Transit effective Aug. 2, 2015. He has been with SCDOT for 25 years, spending his first two years in Traffic Engineering. For 23 years he has been with the Office of Public Transit, serving as Assistant Director for the past 10 years.

Mmanu-ike earned his master's degree in Public Administration, and bachelor's degrees in Architecture

as well as Construction Engineering. He has also completed the Certified Public Manager Program and Certified Transit Program Administrator Program.

As Director of Public Transit he directs and manages various Federal Transit Administration and State Mass Transit Funds to develop and promote public transportation in South Carolina as part of the SCDOT strategic plan. He supervises 13 employees with an annual budget of \$52,000,000.



**Johnny Mmanu-ike**

## Claude Ipock is State Construction Engineer

**C**laude Ipock has been selected to fill the position of State Construction Engineer for the Director of Construction Office.

Ipock began his career at SCDOT in 2006 and has severed various roles including Project Engineer and Design Build Engineer.

Ipock earned his Civil Engineering/Environmental Science degree from North Carolina State University and is a Registered Professional Engineer in South Carolina.



**Claude Ipock**

## Information Technology selects regional Information Resource Consultants

By Doug Harper  
IT Director

**I**n early 2012, SCDOT began a comprehensive look at how our Information Technology (IT) resources are managed throughout the agency.

The goal was very simple to provide the best service and fastest response times to our users across the state. An important part of this effort is to initiate centralized management of our IT resources, and to install regional teams. Michael Masi, formerly of District 1, was hired to lead this effort. Today, we are happy to announce the selection of the four regional leads.

The region leads will assist Mike in establishing, developing, and maintaining IT standards, procedures and policies and overseeing installation and support of all HQ and district desktops, laptops, tablets, and printers.

**Myron Singleton** attended the public school system in Columbia. After completing high school, he attended South Carolina State University in Orangeburg, then continued his studies at University of Phoenix, completing his bachelor degree in 2015. He began his career at SCDOT in 1993. For the past 10 years, he supervised and managed end user IT support in HQ Information



**Myron Singleton**  
Region A  
HQ and District 1

Technology Services (ITS). His goal is to strategically utilize his skills to advance in management within the agency.

Singleton's hobbies include family gatherings, traveling, cooking, talking with friends, and rollerblading. He keeps his velvety voice tuned by singing with The Voices of Deliverance, The Male Chorus Inc., and Capital City Chorale Performing Arts. And last but not least a spiritual meditation with God.

**Tameki Watts** has multiple degrees that include Information Technology (Computer Networking), Business Administration, and Public Service Degrees. For



**Tameki Watts**  
Region B  
Districts 2 and 3

the past 8 years, she has been the primary IRC for District 3 where she took the lead in developing the Encroachment Permit Processing System (EPPS).

Watts has 2 loving children. She enjoys spending time with her family and helping her son manage his business ventures.

**Julie Young** received her Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Science from the University of South Carolina. After graduating in 1978, She worked as a Systems Analyst for companies in Chapel Hill and Charlotte working on financial applications. For the last 12 years, she has done IT Support. She was the



**Julie Young**  
Region C  
Districts 4 and 5

IT Manager of Springs Mortgage from 2002-2009 when Springs closed. Since then, she has been the primary IRC for SCDOT District 4.

Young is married to Steve Young, project manager for Guy M Turner, Inc. They are the proud parents of 2 grown daughters. Julie enjoys running and bicycling and did her first Sprint Triathlon in May.

**Donna Cleland** began her career with SCDOT in 2002 as the Lead IRC for District 6. She has served on several improvements process committees and has assisted in developing and implementing enhancements



**Donna Cleland**  
Region D  
Districts 6 and 7

throughout the agency. She is a 1992 graduate of Francis Marion University where she received a Bachelor of Business Administration Degree in Computer Information Systems Management. In 2000, she received the Master of Business Administration Degree from Charleston Southern University. Donna is married to Morgan Cleland and they are the proud parents of two sons, Cole and David.

Please congratulate them on their selection and assist them during this transition. SCDOT should see improved levels of responsiveness with these additional resources at your disposal.