



MISSISSIPPI CREDIT UNION
ASSOCIATION



Charles Elliott, CLE, CUDE, began his credit union career as a league consultant in January 1980. He later held the positions of director of education/public relations, director of consulting services, and executive vice president of the Mississippi Credit Union League and League Services Corporation. Charles was appointed president/CEO of the Mississippi Credit Union Association in January 1989.

In 2020, Charles was re-elected for a three-year term on the board of directors of the Credit Union National Association (CUNA), the largest national trade association in the United States serving America's credit unions.

In 2021, Charles was selected for a three-year term on CUNA Mutual Group's Select CU Council, a national member-based advisory team of credit union leaders who work with CUNA Mutual Group to serve small to midsize credit unions.

Charles is a founding member and current chairman of The Raiffeisen Group, LLC (TRGroup), a collaboration of seven state credit union associations whose goal is to utilize their collective strength to offer best-of-class products and services to their 800 credit unions.

Charles graduated with a B.S. Degree in Business/Management from Mississippi State University. He is a Certified League Executive (CLE) and a Credit Union Development Educator (CUDE). He has served as chairman of the Credit Union House Board of Directors, on the executive committee of the National Youth Involvement Board (NYIB) and on the Credit Union National Association (CUNA) Volunteer Leadership Committee as well as other CUNA and American Association of Credit Union Leagues (AACUL) committees. He has also served as treasurer and chairman of the Mississippi Society of Association Executives (MSAE). He currently serves on the AACUL Political Involvement & Grassroots Committee.

Mississippi Senator Trent Lott appointed Charles as a delegate to President Clinton's Summit on Retirement Savings in 1998. He was also appointed as a delegate to President Bush's Savers' Summit in 2002.

In September of 2005, on behalf of the Credit Union National Association, Charles provided his testimony to the members of Congress on the House Financial Services Subcommittee regarding financial institutions response to Hurricane Katrina. In February of 2006, he received the National Credit Union Foundation's Anchor Award for his "extraordinary strength and perseverance in helping credit unions recover from the worst natural disaster in American history." He has made dozens of presentations to credit union organizations across the country regarding Hurricane Katrina and disaster preparedness.

In 2008, Charles was inducted to the Credit Union House "Hall of Leaders." The American Association of Credit Union Leagues (AACUL) recognized him in 2006 with the President's Award and in 2020 with the Eugene H. Farley League Leadership Award, which honors a league employee who demonstrates visionary leadership at the state and national levels.