

**PATRICK K. BARRON, B.B.A. '75**

Immediate Past Chair

Patrick K. (Pat) Barron served as chief operating officer of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta from 1996 to 2011. His responsibilities included the day-to-day operations and administrative matters of the bank, as well as all operating and support functions for financial services activities at the corporate headquarters in Atlanta and the branch offices in Birmingham, Jacksonville, Miami, Nashville, and New Orleans. Barron was also responsible for the bank examination functions and general oversight of financial institutions in the Southeast during the financial crisis. He

served as alternate representative to the Federal Open Market Committee and was a frequent attendee at and representative to these meetings.

Barron also served as the payments product director for the Federal Reserve System nationwide. His responsibilities in this area included the coordination of payments policies, products and services throughout the Federal Reserve System. He worked closely with the vice chairman of the Board of Governors and key financial industry representatives in the development of strategies to improve the effectiveness of the retail payment system in the United States. Barron played a key role in coordinating the restoration of the U.S. payments system following the attacks of 9/11 and subsequent transition from paper to digital check payments.

From 1991 through 1996, Barron served as chief operating officer of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, where his responsibilities for the Twelfth Federal Reserve District were similar to those he held at the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta.

Barron graduated cum laude with a bachelor's degree in Management from the University of Miami. He also completed the Harvard Business School's Program for Management Development and attended the Stonier Graduate School of Banking at Rutgers University, where his thesis on the challenges confronting our nation's public housing was accepted and published in the Harvard Business School library.

Active in community affairs, Barron is past chairman of the Georgia Council on Economic Education. He has also been an associate vice chairman for the United Way of Atlanta and a member of Leadership Atlanta. In Miami, he served as vice chairman of the Greater Miami

Chamber of Commerce. He served on the University of Miami's Board of Trustees for six years, chaired the Miami Herbert Business School Board of Overseers for five years, and chaired the Capital Campaign for the Business School and President's Frenk's Search Committee for the Business School dean. Barron is a past president of the Alumni Association and continues to serve on the Alumni Board Executive Committee. He is an inaugural member of the University of Miami President's Council and currently serves as Chair of the Council. In addition, he recently completed his term as a member of the visiting board for the School of Business at Georgia Gwinnet College. Barron currently serves as a member of the Stone Mountain Industrial Park Advisory Board. He is past Congregational President of Epiphany Lutheran Church and is active in several other civic organizations.

Barron is married to the former Martha Morgan, who is also a native Atlantan. They have two grown daughters and a son, nine grandchildren and one great-granddaughter. The Barrons enjoy playing tennis and traveling as much as possible.