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Prior to joining Coxe Curry, Phil served as President of Business Communications Services of AT&T-Southeast. In that position he directed the sales, marketing and ongoing customer care of regional business customers, including state and local governments, high growth enterprises and K-12 and higher education institutions.

Elected an officer of BellSouth in 1993, Phil held numerous leadership positions with the company. Between 1993-1996, he served as the head of BellSouth Business Systems. In 1996, he was named Chief Operating Officer of Optus Communications, an Australian telephone company partially owned by BellSouth. Upon returning to Atlanta in 1998, Phil was named President of BellSouth's Georgia Operations, a position he held until 2005, when he was named President of the newly formed BellSouth Community Technologies Group.

In addition to serving as a corporate executive, Phil has lent his time and talents to many nonprofit organizations throughout the community. *Georgia Trend* magazine named him the Most Respected CEO in Georgia for 2005 in recognition of his corporate leadership and extensive community involvement.

Phil currently serves as Board Chair for the CDC Foundation. He also serves on the Boards of the Georgia Chamber of Commerce, Georgia Aquarium, Georgia Department of Economic Development, the Woodruff Arts Center, SCAD Atlanta and the Georgia Historical Society. Previously, Phil served on the Boards of the High Museum of Art, Atlanta Neighborhood Development Partnership, Smart Start Georgia, the United Way of Metropolitan Atlanta and the Governor's Task Force on Tourism. He also served as Honorary Chairman for the 1998-2001 Empty Stocking Fund Campaigns and Corporate Campaign Chair for the 1999-2001 United Negro College Fund campaigns.

A native of Washington, D.C., Phil received his undergraduate degree from Denison University. Phil and his wife, Jenny, have three grown children and two grandchildren.