

# AGC GEORGIA'S SKILL, INTEGRITY AND RESPONSIBILITY (SIR) AWARD

AGC Georgia's 2014-2015 President, Randall Redding, posthumously honored **David R. Hendrick**, founding partner of Hendrick Phillips Salzman & Flatt, PC, with the 2015 AGC Georgia SIR Award on June 9, 2015. The award recognizes Mr. Hendrick's outstanding service, leadership and involvement in the construction community during his distinguished career which exemplified "Skill, Integrity and Responsibility."



Shortly after receiving a degree in chemical engineering from Tufts University and spending time in the industry, Mr. Hendrick studied law at the University of Virginia. In 1973, he accepted a federal clerkship with a U. S. District Court Judge in Atlanta. Quickly recognized by his mentors and peers as a rising star, he worked for several firms prior to establishing his own in 1981.

With over 40 years of experience, Mr. Hendrick was recognized as one of the country's leading attorneys specializing in construction law. He had an insatiable appetite for immersing himself in activities relating to construction law and the industry. He was a prolific writer and a frequent contributor to construction law publications. Throughout his career, he authored more than 60 articles and chapters for construction law reference books.

AGC Georgia and our members will benefit for decades to come from Mr. Hendrick's desire to make the construction industry a better place. Mr. Hendrick volunteered hundreds upon hundreds of hours helping craft complicated legislation. He was intimately involved with the evolution of Georgia's Mechanic's Lien Law, always maintaining a delicate and appropriate balance for all parties served by the law. His most recent involvement with the Lien Law helped the construction industry regain lien rights for general conditions costs which were lost as a result of a negative court decision in the *Manhattan* case. He also served in a leadership role in Georgia's landmark decision to proceed with development and passage of the Residential and General Contractor Licensing Law.

Mr. Hendrick was also involved in efforts both legislatively and administratively to address inequities in Georgia's Utility Facility Protection Act and the regulatory process enforced by the Public Service Commission. He later helped lead an AGC Georgia taskforce asked to work with the Georgia Department of Revenue as they synced their regulations with sales and use tax laws Georgia contractors must follow. Mr. Hendrick also worked in his spare time to rewrite AGC Georgia's bylaws in 2012.

At the time of his sudden passing, Mr. Hendrick was chairing a taskforce charged with addressing the Estate of Pitts v. City of Atlanta case which impacts Georgia's workers' compensation exclusive remedy provisions. The work product of this taskforce is included in HB 412 which was introduced by the Georgia General Assembly earlier this year. He was also engaged in updating bylaws for CompTrust AGC MCIC, AGC Georgia's workers' compensation program.

Mr. Hendrick was appreciated by his colleagues, clients, adversaries and co-workers for his warmth, sincerity, civility and respect. Mr. Hendrick is survived by his wife, Emily, their children Andrew and Christina, son-in-law Jamar Melton and three grandsons, Jack, Anders and Wils Melton.

AGC Georgia proudly recognizes the professional achievements of Mr. Hendrick and is honored to present his family with a SIR Award bearing his name.