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Biography

T. Stephen Gambrell

*Executive Director, Mississippi River Commission
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Since November 1999, Mr. Gambrell has served as legislative, and Liaison Officer and Executive Director for the Mississippi River Commission (MRC). In this position, he participates with and acts on behalf of the President, MRC, and Commander, MVD, in contacts with congressional interests, MRC Commissioners, state officials, local interest organizations, and private interests. He serves as principal advisor to the Commission in administrative and legislative matters and manages Commission meetings, hearings, and inspection trips. He advises the Commander, the MRC, Division and District staff, and others on legislative matters,

issues of policy, regulations, and management principles relating to functions of the Division and Commission.

Stephen served as a construction engineer with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Savannah District at Ft. Bragg, N.C.; Elberton, Hartwell, and Savannah, Ga.; and Belton, S.C., for five years before moving to Vicksburg in 1988. He served as project manager for Construction Division for the construction of three locks and dams on the J. Bennett Johnson Waterway and as Executive Assistant and Support for Others Project Manager. He provided executive/managerial support and performed business development. He assisted in the formulation of District policy and direction of the work program and ensured implementation and refinement of continuous improvement. In addition, he worked with local, federal, elected officials and their staffs, as well as senior level civilians and military officers.

Stephen has traveled to 15 countries speaking in local public schools to help students build and reach their dreams. His most recent travel was to Beijing, Qinyang, and Xinyang, China in July 2007.



Mr. Gambrell holds a bachelor of science in civil engineering from Clemson University, South Carolina, and 60 hours toward a Masters' of Divinity from New Orleans Seminary, Louisiana.

Mr. Gambrell, his wife, and son live near the mighty Mississippi River where they serve in leadership positions of a local church. He is active in the American Society of Civil Engineers and the Society of American Military Engineers.

The seven-member Presidentially appointed Mississippi River Commission is responsible for the comprehensive Mississippi River and Tributaries project and engineering work associated with the Mississippi River drainage basin which impacts 41% of the United States and includes 1.25 million square miles, more than 250 tributaries, 31 states, and 2 Canadian provinces.

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