

Candidacy Announcement for Northeast Area Executive Lawrence Parker

I'd like to take this opportunity to announce my intention to run for the North East Area Executive. In seeking this position, I feel it warrants a lengthier announcement than when I ran for first alternate, where my speeches amounted to "I'll run" and "I'll run again." Those served to move the agenda along but are inadequate for a written piece.

I am currently completing my 20th year with FSA, joining the agency as a second career after nearly two decades as a hog farmer and owner/operator of a small meat processing plant. I became a member of NASCOE as soon as I was eligible, aware that the organization was responsible for vast improvements in the working environment for county office employees and was dedicated to continuing those efforts. Over the past 12 years I have served in increasingly involved rolls at the state and national level; 4 years as the Vice-President and 5 years as President of VASCOE, 2 years as NEA Publicity Chair, 2 years as NEA Legislative Chair, and 2 years as NEA Alternate Executive. I feel the experience I have gained over the years has prepared me for the roll of NEA Executive, and believe I have the energy, commitment, and ability to serve in this position. I ask for your confidence and support to represent you and all of memberships' interests as we continue with these evolutionary times. Thank you.