

# Civilian Aide to the Secretary of the Army

ALABAMA (SOUTH)



# MICHAEL D. SCHMITZ, Sr.

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Mr. Michael Schmitz is the founder of the award-winning Mike Schmitz Automotive Group in Dothan, Alabama. He is the former Chairman of the Dothan City Board of Education, and former Mayor of Dothan, Alabama, successfully served two terms.

#### **GOVERNMENT SERVICE**

Past Mayor of Dothan Alabama (2009 -2017) and Past Chairman Dothan City Schools (2017-2021).

### **MEMBERSHIPS AND OTHER AFFILIATIONS**

MILITARY: Member, Board of Directors of Friends of Fort Rucker; VP of Membership Development, Board of Directors of the Fort Rucker-Wiregrass Chapter of the Association of the United States Army

CIVIC: Former Chairman of the Alabama Automobile Dealers Association; Former Chairman of the Dothan Area Chamber of Commerce; Former Chairman of Dothan by Design; Former Chairman of Envision's Regionalism Task Force; Sponsoring Founder of Dothan Area Young Professionals; Current Committee Member of Grow Dothan; Former Chairman of Houston County United Way; Former Chairman of Wiregrass United Way; Former Chairman of Southeast Alabama Gas District; Former President of Dothan – Houston County Rotary; Founder and Former Chairman of Trinity Bank; Former Chairman of Wiregrass Children's Home; Founding Board Member of Southeast Alabama Medical Center Foundation; Former Chairman of Alzheimer's Walk to Remember; Former Leadership Alabama Member; Former SARCOA Board Member; Former National Peanut Festival Board Member; Ex-Officio Wiregrass Museum of Art Board of Trustees; Former Chairman of the Alabama Kidney Foundation Walk; Wiregrass Rehabilitation Center Advisory Board Member; Dothan Community Relations Group; Harvest Church

## **AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS**

Inducted into Dothan/Wiregrass Business Hall of Fame; Chairman of Alabama Adventure and Sports Hall of Fame; TIME Magazine Quality Dealer Award; Best of the Best Dealer Recognition Award – Mercedes-Benz USA; Freedom Friend Award - NAACP; Alabama Education Association's Public Servant Award; Dothan Fire Department's Community Partnership Award; United Christian Fellowship Good Samaritan Award; The Paul Harris Fellow Award; Graduate of Leadership America; Certificate of Achievement of Leadership Excellence as Leadership Fellow, National League of Cities; Recognition from AmeriCorps and Alfred Saliba Family Service Center for community contributions; Service and Inspiration Award - Laurel Oaks Behavioral Health Center; Graduation Speaker at Troy University (2014) and Fortis College, Dothan Campus (2011); Alabama's Democratic Conference Meritorious Service Award; Award for Outstanding Assistance to the Civil Air Patrol; Appreciation Awards by the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW); Special Tribute Award by T.O.P.S. (The Ordinary People Society); Salvation Army Man of the Year 2014

#### **ORIGINAL APPOINTMENT**

May 2020

