Civil Engineering

Distinguished Alumni Award

A. Rhett Whitlock, Ph.D., P.E.

Dr. Whitlock graduated from Clemson University with a B.S. in 1979, a M.S. in 1981, and a Ph.D. in 1983, all in civil engineering. He served as research engineer at the Brick Institute of America, instructor at Northern Virginia Community College, and senior vice president of KCI Technologies, Inc. In 1995, he and two colleagues founded Whitlock, Dalrymple, Poston, and Associates, Inc., a diversified consulting engineering firm with headquarters in Manassas, Virginia.

Through his contributions to and leadership in the Civil Engineering profession, Dr. Whitlock serves as a respected role model for others pursuing this field. He has been a prolific writer of technical papers and presenter at symposiums throughout his professional career. He actively participates in the service work of several professional technical organizations, including the American Society of Civil Engineers/American Concrete Institute/The Masonry Society (ASCE/ACI/TMS) Masonry Standards Joint Committee, as well as the American Standard Testing Materials (ASTM) committees on Performance of Building Construction, Gypsum and Related Building Materials and Systems, Mortars of Unit Masonry, and Manufactured Masonry Units. He served on the Board of Directors of The Masonry Society Board. From 1994-2009, Dr. Whitlock served on the Clemson University Civil Engineering Department Advisory Board, where he supported this department in preparing students to be successful in their careers.

Dr. Whitlock has four sons—Alan, Richard, Aaron, and Aiden—and three grandchildren. Richard and Aaron attended Clemson University.