Nathan B. Reed

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Overview

Nathan attended the University of Arkansas for his undergraduate degree, earning a B.S.B.A in Agricultural Business in 2002, and then went on to earn his Juris Doctor from the University of Arkansas School of Law in 2005. Nathan sat for and passed the Arkansas Bar Examination in the summer of 2005.

Nathan is the current sole owner and operator of Nathan B. Reed Farms (a farming equipment ownership entity), and Eldon Reed Farms, Inc. (a row crop farming corporation). Nathan and his wife, Kristin, own and operate N&K Reed Farms and Palmreed Inc. (both row crop farming entities). Nathan has been an independent owner of his farm land and a row crop farmer for approximately 12 years.

In 2016, the total current row crop acreage will be 6,244 acres, with another 350 acres currently leased to another producer for rice production. Of the total acres operated, 4,101 acres are rented and 2,143 cropland acres plus 455 woods and lakes acres are owned. In 2016, the acreage of crops planned includes: cotton -2,980; corn -1,000; soybeans -2,000; Cereal Rye 250; and rice (leased out acreage) -350. In addition to row crop farming, Nathan also owns and operates custom-dirt moving equipment.

Nathan is married to Kristin Overstreet Reed, also a University of Arkansas alum (B.S.B.A., Accounting, 2002 and Masters of Accountancy, 2003) and C.P.A. They have four children: twins, Jane-Anne & Stanley "Eldon" (3 years), Katherine (18 months), and another girl due in September. Nathan is active in his church, community, and in various local, state, and national organizations.

Education

University of Arkansas, Fayetteville 2002 - B.S., Agricultural Business, with an emphasis in Pre-Law University of Arkansas School of Law, Fayetteville, Arkansas 2005 – Juris Doctor, with an emphasis on Agricultural Law

Experience

Reed Farms | 141 Robertson Ave.

Owner/Farmer 2003 - present

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Activities & Community Involvement College:

- Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Member (1998 2002) and House Manager (1999 2000)
- Agricultural Business Club (1999 2002)
- SAE Representative for Intra-fraternity Council (2000)
- Summer Internship for Congressman Marion Berry (2000)
- Agribusiness Quiz Bowl Team (Summer 2001)
- Study Abroad Program, Italy (2002)

Post-college & Current:

County Level:

- Member of First Baptist Church, Marianna (1980 to present)
- Lee County Farm Bureau, Board of Directors (2005 to present)
- Lee County Farm Bureau, President (2010 2011)
- Lee County Farm Bureau, Resolutions Chair (2010 present)
 - Lee County Community Foundation, Board Member (2007 present)
 - Justice of the Peace, Lee County, AR (2008 present)
 - Lee County Leadership Class (2008)
 - Tour guide for many groups visiting local farms, especially about cotton
- Supports and involved in various community improvement projects, including providing improvements to the local playground/park, animal shelter, and helping to sponsor our annual community festival
- Lee County Farm Family (2014)

State Level:

- Arkansas Agriculture Council, Board of Directors (2010 present)
- Arkansas Plant Board Seed Arbitration Committee (2013 present)
- Lee County Farm Bureau Voting Delegate to State Convention (2008 2011)
- University of Arkansas Bumpers College of Food and Life Sciences, Deans Advisory Committee (2013 – present)
- Arkansas Cotton State Support Committee (2008 present)
- Arkansas Cotton State Support Committee, Vice Chairman (2013 present)
- Farm Credit Midsouth Nominating Committee Member (2014)
- Interviewed by Talk Business Arkansas, a Little Rock news program on Channel 7, representing farmers on Delta Plastics PipePlanner application / Water Conservation Initiative (August 2014)
- Central Eastern District Farm Family (2014)
- State of Arkansas Farm Family (2014)

National Level:

- National Conservation Systems Cotton and Rice Conference Speaker (2012- Present)
- National Cotton Council Producer Information Exchange Tour (2007)
- National Cotton Council Cotton Leadership Program (2007 / 2008)
- National Cotton Council Producer Delegate (2009 present)
- Cotton Incorporated, Board of Directors Alternate (2010 present)
- The Cotton Board Importer Support Program "Farm Tour" Presenter and Farm Host (2012 present)
- USDA Advisory Committee on Universal Cotton Standards (2013, 2014)
- Farm Journal Foundation Farm Team (2014 present)
- American Cotton Producers Board of Directors (2014 present)
- American Cotton Producers Arkansas Chairman (2014 present)
- Outstanding Cotton Farmer, Conservation Tillage Cotton & Rice Conference (2015)
- Swisher Sweets/Southeastern Farmer of the Year for Arkansas (2015)