

CHARLES J. BAIRD

Charles is a lifetime resident of Pikeville, Kentucky, and has been involved in coal related issues his entire adult life.

Charles is a graduate of Transylvania University where he received his B.A. Degree in 1972. He received his Juris Doctorate from the University of Kentucky in 1975, and received an Honorary Doctorate of Administration Degree from the University of the Cumberlands in 2012.

Charles is President of Baird and Baird, P.S.C., a law firm established in 1947 with offices in Pikeville and Lexington, Kentucky, where he has practiced law since 1975.

Charles has served as Chairman of Coal Operators & Associates since 1987.

He is a Charter Member of the A. B. Chandler Foundation; Chairman of the Board of Directors of the East Kentucky Exposition Center Corporation, 1998 to the present. He served for many years on various Boards relating to the coal industry, including the National Coal Council, Kentucky Coal Association and the Federation for American Coal, Energy and Security (FACES).

Charles was recipient of the 2005 Blue Grass Council Boy Scouts of America Pike County Distinguished Citizen Award and Boy Scouts of America Silver Beaver Award in 2006. He also was the recipient of the Pike County Chamber of Commerce Pike County Ambassador Award in 2005.