

## **Rudy Underwood**

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As Vice President of State Affairs and Political Mobilization, Rudy helps ACC staff prioritize and define roles and positions on key state and local legislative proposals impacting chemicals and plastics. He also provides guidance for ACC's political engagement activities and facilitates strong relationships and synergy with independent state chemical industry councils.

Previously, Rudy was the Senior Director of State Affairs in ACC's Southern Region Office where he represented the chemical and plastics industries before state legislatures in 14 southern states. He has over 30 years of experience managing public affairs, public policy, and public relations issues. Prior to joining ACC, Rudy served as the Legislative Director for the Georgia Farm Bureau Federation, worked on Capitol Hill in the U.S. Senate, and has directed statewide issue and candidate campaigns. Presently, Rudy serves on the Board of Directors of Cobb Electric Membership Corporation, which is the fourth largest electrical cooperative in the United States and Gas South, a natural gas marketer.

Rudy received both a bachelor's and master's degree in public and organizational communications from the University of Georgia. He grew up on a small farm in South Georgia.