

# Library trustee appointed to statewide position

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The Charlotte Mecklenburg Library is thrilled to announce that board member Ed Williams has been appointed by Governor Pat McCrory to serve on the North Carolina State Library Commission. Williams retired from The Charlotte Observer in 2008 after 25 years as editor of the editorial pages, where two of his projects won the Pulitzer Prize for Public Service. Following his retirement Williams was inducted into the North Carolina Journalism Hall of Fame, and in 2014 Lorimer Press published a collection of his work, "Liberating Dixie: An Editor's Life, from Ole Miss to Obama." A longtime library advocate and member of 2010's community-led Future of the Library Task Force, Ed joined the Charlotte Mecklenburg Library's board of trustees in May, 2010.

Williams will serve a four-year term on the North Carolina State Library Commission, where his wealth of knowledge about public policy will inform library services throughout the state. The commission advises the Secretary of Cultural Resources on library matters, and evaluates and approves plans for public library development, cooperation and federally funded programs.

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