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Scott is Principal and Partner with Columns Fundraising. He has nearly 34 years of experience with nonprofit organizations, with broad experience in fundraising. His leadership has included Vice President for Development and Community Relations at Shepherd Center, the nation's largest spinal cord and brain injury hospital; Vice President for University Advancement at Valdosta State University; Chairman of the Council of Vice Presidents of External Affairs for the University System of Georgia; Interim Executive Director of Development at University of Georgia, where he was also Director of Major Gifts and Planned Giving; and he has years of service on various nonprofit boards. He was a founding member of the Georgia Planned Giving Council in 1988, serving in 2000 as President, and he was co-founder and President of the Athens, GA Estate Planning Network.

Scott earned his BA in Political Science and Russian Language and a Certificate in Global Studies from UGA, then an MBA from Kennesaw State University. He is a Certified Fundraising Executive (CFRE), a Fellow of the Association for Healthcare Philanthropy (FAHP), and a Certified Financial Planner (CFP®) certificant. He is chairman of the International Relations Committee of the Kiwanis Club of Atlanta, where he utilizes his proficiency in Russian, German and other languages. He and his wife spend most weekends working on their hobby farm.