



Board Member Profiles



Michael Ritter, MPH

Acting Chairman

Michael Ritter is CEO of Deep Springs and serves as National Director in Haiti. Mr. Ritter has held positions as a researcher for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Center for Global Safe Water at Emory University, and the Task Force for Child Survival and Development. He holds a BS in molecular biology from Grove City College, and a Masters of Public Health from Emory University. Michael co-founded Deep Springs in 2006 along with Dr. Timothy Mech and Ruth Entwistle.

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Evens Anozine

Evens Anozine is a native of Leogane Haiti and currently lives in New York City where he serves as the Director of Events for Brandwidth Media Entertainment. He also serves on the Board of the James Jay Dudley Luce Foundation and the We Can't Have That Foundation. He has worked with Leopard Capital, Stamford Toyota, and The Manhattan Center. His degree is from Central Connecticut State University and he also lived and worked in Japan. Evens joined the Deep Springs Board in 2013.

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Margaret Roberts

Margaret Roberts lives in Avella, PA with her husband. She is currently the Senior Procurement Manager for Calgon Carbon Corporation. Margaret graduated from Syracuse University with a bachelor's degree in English and received a Masters in Business Administration from Chatham University. She joined Calgon Corporation in September of 2013, previously working at LANXESS Corporation and Bayer Corporation. She has served as an informal advisor since 2009 and Board Member since 2013.

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Jeff Ritter, MBA
Acting Secretary

Jeff Ritter lives in the Pittsburgh, PA area with his wife and is the Manager of the Technical Materials & Services Procurement group at Lanxess Corp, a global chemicals manufacturer. Prior to joining Lanxess Jeff held positions in engineering, marketing and procurement at Bayer Corp. Mr. Ritter holds a Chemical Engineering degree from Grove City College and an MBA from The Citadel. Jeff has travelled to Haiti several times and facilitated the logistics for the emergency response effort after the earthquake and subsequent cholera outbreak. He has served on the board since 2010.

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Ashley Aakesson

Ashley Aakesson is a nutrition, food security, and development leader with 15 years of experience working with vulnerable groups in Africa, Asia, and the Caribbean to improve their health and well-being. Ashley joined the SPRING Project in 2013 as a Social and Behavior Change Communication Advisor. She has worked with PATH and Save the Children. From 2006 to 2010 she served as Executive Director of the Children's Nutrition Program of Haiti, which partnered with Deep Springs before and after the earthquake of 2010. Ashley holds an MA in Applied Anthropology from the University of Maryland and a BA in Anthropology from Miami University in Ohio.

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John T. Smith

John Smith is the President of Package Right Corporation, the leading private-label manufacturer of jigsaw puzzles and board games in the U.S. He has been involved with Deep Springs for several years, including many trips to Haiti. John has a Masters in Industrial Administration from the Krannert School at Purdue University. He lives in Lafayette, Indiana with his wife and four children where they attend St. Thomas Aquinas Parish.

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Michelle McFeaters, D.B.A.
Treasurer

Michelle McFeaters lives in Harrisville, Pennsylvania with her two sons. She currently is an Associate Professor of Accounting and the Assistant Dean-Elect of the Calderwood School of Arts and Letters at Grove City College. She has a Doctorate in Business Administration-Accounting from Anderson University. She has been involved with Haiti for several years through her local church and has been Treasurer of the Board of DSI since 2011. She serves as Treasurer of her local congregation and President of the Allegheny Region Foundation of the Churches of God, General Conference.

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John is a 1980 graduate of Purdue University. He has been employed by Farm Bureau Insurance for 31 years and currently works as a Claims Manager. John lives in West Lafayette, Indiana with his wife and attends St Thomas Aquinas Church where he is past president of their Haiti Ministry Board. John has done volunteer work in Haiti since 2001 and has traveled there numerous times. He has served on the Board since 2013.

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Alex Eros

Alex Eros lives in Lafayette, Indiana with his wife and three daughters. He works for Alcoa as a Project Manager for New Product Development and Introduction. Alex has a Master's Degree in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Dayton. He and his family attend St. Thomas Aquinas in West Lafayette and he is a past Chairman of Parish Council. Alex has traveled to Haiti twice and has been on the Board since 2011.

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Alan Schrob

Alan lives in Pittsburgh, PA and is a Market Manager for NOVA Chemical's Polyethylene Business. Prior to his current position he was the Director of New Business Development and he has held purchasing, investor relations, manufacturing and information technology positions. Prior to joining NOVA Chemicals in 1999 Alan held positions in finance and purchasing at Huntsman Chemical Corporation. He has been on the Board since 2012.

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