

Richard Bird joined the Board of the Hudson River-Black River Regulating District in December 2019. He resides in Old Forge and has deep roots in the Black River Area. Mr. Bird is the owner of Bird's Marine in Old Forge and Raquette Lake, a family business since the 1940s. A SUNY Morrisville graduate, educated in Accounting, Mr. Bird is also the owner of Bird's Adirondack Real Estate. He is a former Raquette Lake Board of Education Member and Fire Chief, as well as a former Town of Long Lake Town Justice, Assessor, Town Councilman and Deputy Supervisor. Mr. Bird also served as Hamilton County Director of Planning, Tourism and Economic Development and Director of the Hamilton County Industrial Development Agency. Adding to his distinguished career in public service, Mr. Bird previously served as President of several area organizations, including the Adirondack North Country Association, the Central Adirondack Association, the Adirondack Snowmobile Association and the Adirondack Regional Tourism Council.