



April 3, 2024

Members of the ATA Comp Fund

Dear Members:

You are cordially invited to attend the Annual Meeting of the Membership of the Alabama Trucking Association Workers' Compensation Self Insurance Fund (hereinafter "ATA Comp Fund") scheduled to be held on Saturday, May 4, 2024, at 9:30 a.m. CT at the Grand Hotel Golf Resort & Spa, One Grand Boulevard, Point Clear, Alabama 36564 in conjunction with the Alabama Trucking Association's Annual Convention and Meeting. Your Board of Trustees and Management Team look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

As outlined in the Bylaws of the ATA Comp Fund, you will be asked to conduct the necessary business on the following items:

1. Trustee elections to the Board for designated terms of service
2. December 31, 2023 Annual Audited Financial Statement Report

To satisfy the requirements associated with these items, you will be asked to approve the 2023 Audited Financial Statement Report and elect a slate of four nominees for the Board of Trustees for a three-year term beginning in April 2024. Members of record have the option to vote online, by email, or fax. Instructions for voting by any of these methods are set forth in the attached Proxy Statement.

This matter is of great importance, and we respectfully request that you cast your company's vote as part of the election process. **To complete this proxy voting process in a timely manner, we ask that you complete your online vote or return your Proxy Card to our office no later than Friday, April 19, 2024.** Your prompt cooperation is appreciated.

On behalf of your Board of Trustees, we thank you for your continued participation and support.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimble E. Coaker, CPA
President and CEO

Enclosures



NOTICE OF AN ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ATA COMP FUND

Meeting Date: May 4, 2024

Meeting Place: Grand Hotel Golf Resort & Spa
One Grand Boulevard
Point Clear, Alabama 36564

The 2024 Annual Meeting of the Members of the Alabama Trucking Association Workers' Compensation Self Insurance Fund (hereinafter "ATA Comp Fund") will be held for conducting the following business items:

1. Elect four Trustees to the Board for designated terms of service.
2. Approve the December 31, 2023 Annual Audited Financial Statement Report.

Information about the election process to be voted on by the Membership during the Annual Meeting is contained in the enclosed Proxy Statement.

The Board of Trustees has fixed the close of business on April 2, 2024, as the date of record for the determination of authorized Member companies entitled to notification, and the right to vote at the Annual Meeting.

The ATA Comp Fund invites you to attend the meeting in person to participate in this important election process. It is a requirement of the Bylaws that a quorum of at least 33% of active Member companies (194 companies) be represented in person or by proxy at this meeting. Please promptly review the enclosed Proxy Statement, and then **VOTE! Any method chosen to cast your vote is appropriate but voting electronically via the online survey is preferred.** Please note if you attend the meeting, you may cast your vote in person even though you have previously voted by proxy.

By Order of the Board of Trustees,

Todd Hager
COO and Secretary



Montgomery, Alabama
April 3, 2024

Proxy Statement May 4, 2024

GENERAL INFORMATION

This Proxy Statement is being furnished to the Members of the Alabama Trucking Association Workers' Compensation Self Insurance Fund (hereinafter "ATA Comp Fund") in connection with the solicitation of proxies for use in the 2024 Annual Meeting. The enclosed proxy is being solicited by the Board of Trustees. The Board of Trustees has fixed the close of business on April 2, 2024, as the date of record for the determination of authorized Member companies entitled to notification, and the right to vote at this Annual Meeting. The ATA Comp Fund is sending this Proxy Statement and the enclosed Proxy Card to Member companies on April 3, 2024.

VOTING PROCEDURES

Your vote is very important. Members of record may vote by written means via online survey, email, or fax. For your convenience, you will receive an online survey for this voting purpose, and the included Proxy Card contains an email address and fax number that you may use as an alternate to transmit your vote. **Voting via the online survey is the quickest and most efficient method for the ATA Comp Fund's Team to process and tabulate results. To complete this proxy voting process in a timely manner, we ask that you submit your vote to our office by Friday, April 19, 2024.**

Voting by Online Survey

Members may vote by utilizing the online survey link provided on the proxy card. Voting by online survey is available 24 hours a day. If you vote by online survey, follow the instructions to complete 3 simple questions, then electronically sign and date. If you vote by online survey, you do not need to email or fax your proxy card.

Voting by Email or Fax

Members may vote by transmitting via the email address or fax number listed on the proxy card. Voting by email or fax is available 24 hours a day. If you vote by email or fax, simply mark your proxy card, sign, and date it, and email or fax it back to the ATA Comp Fund office.

Voting Policies

Regardless of the method by which you vote, if you specify the way you are to vote on a matter, your proxy will be counted in accordance with your specification. If you do not make a voting specification, your proxy will vote as recommended by the Board of Trustees.



ELECTION OF TRUSTEES

This year the Members of the ATA Comp Fund will elect four trustees to serve their designated terms and will continue to serve until as such time as their successors are elected and qualified. The Nominating Committee of the Board of Trustees has designated as a slate of nominees for election the four candidates named below. Included with this Proxy Statement you will find a brief biography of each of these nominees.

Information Concerning Nominees

The information appearing in the following table sets forth for each nominee his/her name, business experience, and the year in which he/she first became a Trustee of the ATA Comp Fund, if applicable.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Business Experience</u>	<u>Trustee Since</u>
Mr. G. Fenn Church	President & Owner, Church Transp. & Logistics P. O. Box 65 Birmingham, Alabama 35201	2018
Mr. Drew Linn	CEO & Owner, Southland Transportation Group P. O. Box 578 Birmingham, Alabama 35201	1993
Mr. Harold Sumerford, Jr.	CEO, J&M Tank Lines P. O. Box 382288 Birmingham, Alabama 35238	2021
Mr. Stephen Hewitt	Chief Risk Officer, R.E. Garrison Trucking, Inc. P. O. Box 890 Cullman, Alabama 35056	n/a

NOMINEE BIOGRAPHIES

Mr. Drew Linn



Drew Linn is CEO and principal owner of Southland Transportation Group. As a full-service dealership, Southland provides the trucking industry with International Trucks, Battle Motors Trucks, Wabash/Transcraft & Benson Trailers, Idealease rental & lease, IC Bus, Parts & Service, and a Body Shop. Southland has eight locations in Alabama.

With years of dedication to the Alabama Trucking Association, Drew has served as Chairman of the Board, and was honored to receive the H. Chester Webb Award. He is a founding member of the ATA Work Comp Fund and served twice as its Chairman.

He has served as a board member for the University of Alabama Transportation Center and the Shelton State Community College Foundation. He was appointed as Chairman of the Alabama Commission on Higher Education, where he served for over ten years. He also currently sits on the Board of West Alabama Bank & Trust.

Drew graduated from Jacksonville State University with a bachelor's degree in business & economics, and currently serves on the JSU Board of Trustees. He lives in Tuscaloosa, Alabama with his wife, Joy. They have two children and three grandchildren.

Mr. G. Fenn Church



Fenn is the President and owner of Church Transportation & Logistics, Inc., a truckload dry van carrier based in Birmingham, AL. The company was founded in March of 2000 and currently operates 71 tractors with 81 total employees. In addition to Church Transportation and Logistics, Fenn has been a Board Member of the Alabama Trucking Association for 23 years. He is currently serves on the executive committee, TRUCK PAC Board of Directors, and is the State Vice President to the American Trucking Association. He is a Past Chairman of the ATA, after finishing his term serving as the Chairman of the Board 2018 to 2019. Fenn has been a Member of the Board of the ATA Work Comp Fund since 2018.

Fenn earned a BS Degree in Transportation from Auburn University in 1988 and an MBA in Transportation and Finance from the University of Tennessee in 1993. Prior to starting Church Transportation and Logistics, Fenn spent 7 years with Saia Motor Freight Line in Management and 6 years in operations and sales with AAA Cooper Transportation. This year marks his 39th anniversary in the transportation industry.

Fenn is a native of Dothan, AL and currently resides in Calera, Alabama. He enjoys being outdoors hunting and fishing every free moment he can get. He has 3 German Shorthair Pointers and an English Cocker Spaniel that love to bird hunt with Fenn. Fenn is a member of Canterbury United Methodist Church in Birmingham, where he served on the Church Council for 2 previous terms.

Mr. Harold Sumerford, Jr.



Harold Sumerford, Jr. joined J&M Tank Lines in 1976 and has over 40 years' experience in the industry. When joining, the company had 114 company trucks and basically hauled cement in both Georgia and Alabama. The company subsequently grew to 500 trucks and expanded operations into refrigerated vans and flatbeds. In 2002, Harold was named CEO and decided to spin off any businesses that were not related to their tank operations. Currently at 415 tractors and 720 tankers, the company is involved in the transportation of both dry and liquid products. J&M currently has 552 employees and 11 terminal locations with its corporate office in Birmingham, Alabama.

Throughout Harold's work career he has been involved in various industry associations. He has always felt the need to give back to the industry that has been so good to him and his family. They are long time members of the American Trucking Associations, the National Tank Truck Carriers, the Georgia Motor Trucking Association, the Alabama Trucking Association, the American Transportation Research Institute and the Truckload Carriers Association. Harold is also a past Chairman of the American Trucking Associations, the National Tank Truck Carriers and the Georgia Motor Trucking Association.

Harold received a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration from Georgia State University. He and his wife Shannon have five daughters and six grandchildren. He is an avid upland hunter and offshore fisherman.

Mr. Stephen R. Hewitt



Stephen (Steve) is the Chief Risk Officer for R.E. Garrison Trucking, Inc., and all affiliated companies. Steve also serves on the company's Board of Directors. R.E. Garrison was founded in 1959 by Mr. Roy E. Garrison. R.E. Garrison serves as a refrigerated carrier for customers across the United States and operates with a fleet of approximately 850 tractors and over 1,400 trailers in conjunction with its sister company, Boaty's Transport, located in Jackson, Georgia. For over 60 years, R.E. Garrison has dedicated its resources to maintaining an elevated level of operational efficiencies and excellence in all aspects of the industry.

Previously, Steve served as Senior Vice President of Sales at Assured Partners of Alabama, specializing in Risk Management and Alternative Risk Placement in the transportation, construction, and hospitality fields. For more than 30 years, Steve has worked in the insurance industry; therefore, he possesses a wealth of knowledge and experience. Steve is a graduate of Auburn University, Class of 1992, with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration with a concentration in Business Management.

Steve is proudly married to Jackie, his wife of 27 years, with whom he shares three sons. In his free time, he enjoys golf, saltwater fishing, and spending time on the family farm in Pigeon Creek, Alabama. Steve and Jackie are members of Pleasant Home Baptist Church.



2024 ANNUAL MEETING PROXY CARD

ONLINE OPTION (PREFERRED METHOD).

Please visit <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/24ProxyVote> to utilize this option.

EMAIL/FAX OPTION

You can vote by email at ServiceRequest@ATACompFund.org or fax at (334) 834-7931.

A: Proposals

- Election of Trustees:
 - 01 – Mr. Fenn Church
 - 02 – Mr. Drew Linn
 - 03 – Mr. Harold Sumerford, Jr.
 - 04 – Mr. Stephen Hewitt

[RECOMMENDED] Mark here to APPROVE all nominees as Trustees.

Mark here for your vote for only a specific nominee(s) – To vote for one or more nominees, mark the numbered box below that corresponds with the number to the left of the respective nominee(s) listed above.

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Mark here to NOT APPROVE any nominee as Trustees.

- 2023 Annual Audited Financial Statements (linked) are presented for approval:

[RECOMMENDED] Mark here to APPROVE.

Mark here to WITHHOLD your vote.

B: Authorized Signature – This Section must be completed for your vote to be counted.

Insured Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Signer Name: _____

C. Sign and Date Below

Signature – Please place signature below.

Date (mm/dd/yyyy) – Please print date below.