

DR. CHRISTOPHER LEWIS BRAMLETT

Education

Bethel High School
Wake Forest University - BS in Chemistry
Wake Forest University - MA in Chemistry
University of Virginia - Ph D in Chemistry
Phillip Francis Dupont Fellow - University of Virginia
Gemological Institute of America - Graduate Gemologist

Certification

Certified Gemologist Appraiser - American Gem Society
Certified Gemologist - American Gem Society
Registered Jeweler - American Gem Society
Diamond Grading - Gemological Institute of America
Colored Stones - Gemological Institute of America
Colored Stone Grading - Gemological Institute of America
Pearl Grading - Gemological Institute of America
Gem Identification - Gemological Institute of America

Profession

President and Owner - Christopher's Jewelers Company, Concord, NC
Associated with Starnes Incorporated, wife's family-owned retail jewelry store in Albemarle, NC
Vice President and Professor of Chemistry - East Tennessee State University
Assistant Vice President for Research - University of Alabama
Associate Dean, Graduate School - University of Alabama
Assistant Dean, College of Arts and Sciences, - University of Alabama
Associate Professor, Department of Chemistry - University of Alabama
Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry - University of Alabama
Control Engineer - Union Carbide Corporation

Awards, Honors, and Affiliations (Professional)

Philip Francis Dupont Fellow (University of Virginia)
Robert M. Shipley Award
Trustee - American Gem Society
Board of Directors - American Gem Society
Chairman - American Gem Society Education Committee
Chairman - Gemological Sciences Committee
Designated American Gem Society Fellow
President, North Carolina Guild - American Gem Society
Southeastern United States Coordinator, Membership Development – American Gem Society

President - North Carolina Jewelers Association
Gemological Association of Great Britain
American Chemical Society
Fellow - American Institute of Chemists
American Association of University Administrators (President of the Alabama Chapter)
National Council of University Research Administrators
Committee on Governmental Relations of the National Association of College and University
Business Officers
American Association for Higher Education
Alabama Academy of Science
American Association for the Advancement of Science
American Gem Society
Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Visitation Committees - St. Leo College,
Mississippi Valley State College, University of Dallas, Pembroke State University, George
Mason University
Coordinating Committee - Alabama Public Research and Technology Program
Chairman, Academic Sub-Council - State University and Community College System of
Tennessee
Chairman and Vice-Chairman, Board of Directors - Appalachian Consortium
Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Executive Committee of Board of Trustees - Pfeiffer
University
Co-Chairman - Tradition and Visions Campaign for Pfeiffer University
Chairman - Strategic Planning Steering Committee for Pfeiffer University
Trustee Emeritus – Pfeiffer University

Awards, Honors, and Affiliations (Civic)

Tuscaloosa Rotary Club and Board of Directors
Chairman, Board of Directors, and Treasurer - Tuscaloosa-Bibb-Pickens Counties Mental Health
Board
Omicron Delta Kappa - East Tennessee State University
President- Northport, Alabama, Chamber of Commerce
Administrative Board – First United Methodist Church, Tuscaloosa, Alabama
Administrative Board – Munsey Memorial United Methodist Church, Johnson City, Tennessee
President - Towne Acres PTA, Johnson City, Tennessee
Tuscaloosa Arts Council
President - Albemarle Band Boosters
Vice-President, Community Development - Stanly County Chamber of Commerce
Vice-President, Governmental Affairs – Stanley County Chamber of Commerce
Chairman, Board of Directors – Bank of Stanley
Chairman, Vice-President - Private Industry Council
President – Albemarle Rotary Club
Board of Directors – Old Courthouse Theater, Concord
President – Albemarle Downtown Business Association
President – Concord Downtown Development Corporation
Chairman, Steering Committee – Stanly County Horizons Project

Consultant, Strategic Planning - Iredell and Anson Counties
President- Cabarrus Rotary
Board of Directors – Cabarrus Bank and Trust
Steering Committee – Stanly County Schools for Tomorrow
Chairman, Board of Directors - Albemarle Downtown Development Corporation
Treasurer - North Carolina Water Rights Committee
Central United Methodist Church, Albemarle - Education Committee, Methodist Men, Staff
Parish Relations Committee, Lay Representative to annual conference, Nominating Committee,
Chair of Administrative Board, Sunday School Teacher, Kirk Scholarship Committee, Lay
Person of the Year
Main Street Champion – Presented by NC Main Street Center for Establishment of Albemarle
Downtown Development Corporation
Board of Trustees - Stanly Community College
Board of Directors - Richmond Park Homeowners Association
Board of Directors - Kingston Plantation Management Association
Albemarle City Council

Speeches and Presentations

Invited lecturer and panelist
Numerous talks to civic clubs and professional organizations
Featured speaker Diamond Promotion Service “Best of the Best” national tour
Graduation Addresses – High Schools and Pfeiffer University
Graduation Speaker – Gemological Institute of America
Master of Ceremonies - American Gem Society Conclave
Power-Point presentation to civic clubs and high schools - Chemistry of Gemstones
Speaker- Carolina Piedmont Section of the American Chemical Society

Research Projects

Established a research program involving reactions of small boron hydrides
Preparations of unsymmetrically substituted borazines and the use of pentaborane as a catalyst
Fancy Cut Grade research led to the performance based AGS Diamond Cut System currently
used by the American Gem Society Laboratory to grade fancy shaped diamonds

Consultant

Textbook Review – College Self-Studies

Publications

Thesis – A Study of Reactions of Antimony Pentafluoride with Carbon Tetrachloride and Other
Halogenated Hydrocarbons
Ph D Dissertation - Field of small boron hydrides and carboranes with several new and novel
carboranes prepared and characterized

(Articles in the Following Publications)

Journal of the American Chemical Society

Inorganic Chemistry

Chemical Communications

Laboratory Manual for General Chemistry (with D.F. Smith and R.H. Garner)(co-authored)

Papers presented at national and regional meetings - American Chemical Society

Papers presented at annual meetings - Alabama Academy of Science