

HAYNES H. TOWNSEND
FIRST VICE PRESIDENT

Judge Haynes Townsend, from Dalton, Georgia, USA, was elected to serve as first vice president of Lions Clubs International at the association's 102nd International Convention, held in Milan, Italy, July 5 through July 9, 2019.

Vice President Townsend served as a judge for 22 years before retiring in 2019.

A member of the Dalton Noon Lions Club since 1979, he has held many offices within the association, including club president, region chair, zone chair, district governor, district librarian, multiple district leadership chair and international director. He served on the international board from 2009 to 2011, as chair of the 2010-2011 Constitution and By-laws Committee and as a board appointee to the 2010-2011 Executive Committee. He also served as a presenter at the USA/Canada leadership forum.

In recognition of his service to the association, Vice President Townsend has received many awards including three Lion of the Year Awards, 15 District Governor Appreciation Awards, the Ervin-Crumbley Award, District 18-A Hall of Fame Award, numerous International President's Awards, International President's Leadership Awards, the association's highest award the Ambassador of Good Will Award, a Membership Key Award and a Knight of Strength Award. Vice President Townsend is a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow.

In addition to his Lions activities, Vice President Townsend is active in numerous professional and community organizations. He is currently the chair of the Dalton-Whitfield Christmas Parade and was honored as the Judge of the Year by the State of Georgia.

Vice President Townsend and his wife, Donna, also a Lion and a Progressive Melvin Jones Fellow, have two daughters.

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