



Mr. Dirk R. Pieper – President and CEO - Sage Automotive Interiors

Mr. Dirk R. Pieper was named President and CEO at Sage’s inception in 2009. Mr. Pieper joined Milliken & Company in 1979 after graduating from Washington and Lee University with a B.S. degree in Chemistry. Mr. Pieper spent 15 years of his career in manufacturing, concluding as Director of Manufacturing. The next 15 years were spent primarily in a general management role involving marketing, development, and sales as the business manager of the Ford Business, Managing Director of Milliken's European operations, and Global Business Manager. Mr. Pieper received his Masters of Business Administration from Clemson University in 1990. He resides in Greenville with his wife and four children.

Business and Community Involvement:

Chairman - Palmetto Business Forum
Board of Directors – UNIFRAX Corporation
Board of Directors – IXS Corporation
Former Chairman - South Carolina Manufacturing Alliance
Former Chairman of Upstate Heart Association
Member - Peace Center Executive Committee and Board
Member - Academic Advisory Panel - Greenville Medical School
Member - National Council Textile Organization Board (Executive Committee)
Member - Clemson University Business School Board
Member - Executive Council American Heart Association (Upstate, SC)
Member – UNC Kenan Flagler Business School Advisory Panel
Member - Upstate Alliance Foreign Direct Investment team
Member – CU-ICAR visionary steering committee
CEO Council - Original Equipment Supplier Association
Chairman - Upstate Alliance Automotive Task Force
President and CEO - Sage Automotive Interiors, Board Member