

## Jeff Jowdy

Jeff Jowdy is President Lighthouse Counsel.

A veteran of nonprofit leadership and fundraising, Jeff is known for his integrity, broad expertise, keen insight and accurate strategizing. He has been the guiding force behind Lighthouse Counsel since founding it in 1999.

As senior vice president of development for the YMCA of Middle Tennessee, he led one of the nation's most successful YMCA fundraising programs. He also was senior managing director at Jerold Panas, Linzy & Partners.

Jeff began his fundraising career as executive director of the South Georgia Chapter of the March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation, and then served as advancement director at Mount de Sales Academy.

Jeff is past president of the Association of Fundraising Professionals Nashville Chapter and was recognized as their Fundraising Professional of the Year. Jeff is a member of the AFP Atlanta and Nashville chapters. He is a member of the Rotary Club of Nashville and the Sons of the American Revolution. Jeff is a graduate of Leadership Nashville and Leadership Middle Tennessee. He is a graduate of AFP's Faculty Training Academy, and the AFP Executive Management and Leadership programs.

He is chair of the Phi Kappa Theta Foundation and past chair of the Board of Trust at UGA's Grady College of Journalism and Mass Communication. He was an executive committee member of UGA's national alumni association for a decade.

Jeff was a multi-year member of the Fundraising Success (now Nonprofit Pro) Editorial Advisory Board and writes the popular Bedrocks & Beacons weekly blog for the publication. He is a graduate of the University of Georgia Henry W. Grady College of Journalism and Mass Communication, and holds a master's degree in human resource management from Troy University.

Jeff Jowdy serves on the Board of Advisors for the Institute for Charitable Giving

