

Ron Jarnagin

Chair, Board of Directors

Representing ASHRAE



Ron Jarnagin served as the WHPA Executive Committee Co-Chair beginning in 2016 when he was appointed by **ASHRAE** to represent them in the Western HVAC Performance Alliance.

Ron is the Principal Owner of RLK Technical Consultants, LLC, a small business with global ambitions and connections. Their focus on energy use in a global perspective has distinguished them as the "go-to" organization for helping solve the most challenging energy problems.

Ron has been involved in energy-related research and development activities for over 35 years, and he has served on numerous utility, government, and business advisory boards, lending his expertise to solving their respective energy problems. In addition, he served on the faculty in the Department of Mechanical Engineering at the University of Florida for 10 years and was with Pacific Northwest National Laboratory for more than 23 years.

Ron chaired ASHRAE's Standard 90.1 Committee for four years and successfully completed a comprehensive revision to that Standard in 1999 and he also chaired the International Standards Organization (ISO) TC 205 Committee, Building Environment Design.

- He chaired a multi-disciplinary team made up of members of four organizations that produced the first Advanced Energy Design Guide (AEDG) for Small Offices which won three national awards from sustainability organizations in the U.S.
- He served as chair and/or vice chair of three additional AEDGs.

Ron continued to be active in ASHRAE:

- He served on the Board of Directors as a Director-at-Large, Vice President and President
- He served as the Chairman of ASHRAE's Technology Council which has stewardship for all of ASHRAE's research, standards, and technical committees.
- He chaired the Committee that developed ASHRAE's Sustainability Roadmap and the Sustainability Oversight Committee charged with managing the implementation.
- He chaired ASHRAE's Vision 2020 Committee which set Society goals for 2020 and served on the Strategies for a Global Environment Committee.
- He led the ASHRAE Building Energy Labeling Committee (BEQ).
- He was a member of the ASHRAE Headquarters Renovation Committee that undertook a multimillion-dollar renovation of the headquarters building in Atlanta with the goal of achieving a LEED-EB Gold rating as well as making the headquarters a Living Laboratory Showcase that can be used by the members.
- He received the Exceptional Service Award and is an ASHRAE Fellow.

Ron was recognized as the 2004 National Society of Professional Engineers (NSPE) "Engineer of the Year in Tri-Cities, Washington." He holds an MS in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Florida and a BS in Business from Louisiana State University. He is also a decorated U.S. Navy veteran having served with the river patrol forces in Vietnam.