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BIOGRAPHY

Eric Grigorian is Chief of GTRI Applied System Laboratory's Aviation System Program Office, and a recipient of GTRI's Distinguished Performance Award in Program Development. Before that (2012-2015) he was with the Director of Engineering and Manufacturing for Yulista Aviation where he was responsible for full life-cycle support of product development and production of systems for the US Army Prototype Integration Facility. He was Vice President of Engineering and Manufacturing at AAR Integrated Technologies (2010-2012), developing product for US Air Force, US Army, and US Marines in support of Command and Control Systems. He has over 34-years of direct engineering career supporting commercial and defense industries. He hold 2 US Utility patents and 1 Provisional patent. He is a Senior Member of the IEEE and was recipient of 2006 IEEE Region 3 Outstanding Engineer of the Year Award. He has received numerous additional awards from previous employers and local technical societies.

QUALIFICATIONS

I have been a very active volunteer with IEEE ever since my membership as a Student Member. It was my involvement with IEEE Student Chapter that allowed me to network with the local Huntsville Section members and executive committee that landed my first job while I was at graduate school. As my career has expanded over the years, IEEE has been a key factor in that expansion. That is one of the main reasons I have been appreciative of IEEE. Over the years, I have served in many capacities at local and Region level. My engaged have included in promoting K-12 STEM efforts within Huntsville and Alabama; restarted dormant societies and served society chair; initiated new societies within the Section; served as Section Vice Chair and Chair; and served on several conference committee, including the co-Chair of the SoutheastCon 2008. I am the current Chair of the SoutheastCon 2019 that will be hosted in Huntsville, Alabama.

IEEE ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

IEEE

- Member, IEEE USA US Government Community of Interest Ad Hoc Committee, 2018 -Present
- Organizing Committee Member, IEEE International Conference on Wireless for Space and Extreme Environments, 2017 Present
- General Chair, IEEE SoutheastCon 2019, 2016 Present
- Member, IEEE Region 3 Conference Committee, 2016 Present
- Member, IEEE Region 3 Award and Recognition Committee, 2016
- Chair, IEEE Region 3 Area 6, 2015 Present

- IEEE Section representative to Huntsville Area Technical Societies (HATS), 2012 present
- Chair, IEEE Huntsville Section, 2012 2013
- Chair, IEEE Huntsville Section Conference Committee, 2009 Present
- Co-Chair, IEEE SoutheastCon 2008, 2006-2008
- Chair, IEEE Huntsville Section 50th Anniversary Organizing Committee
- Chair, IEEE Huntsville Section Joint Communication, APS, MTT (JCAM) Society, 2003
- Steering Committee, IEEE RadarCon 2003, 2002 2003
- Steering Committee, IEEE AutoTestCon 2002, 2001 2002
- Chair, IEEE Huntsville Section, 2001 2002
- Vice-Chair, IEEE Huntsville Section, 1999 2000
- Chair, IEEE Huntsville Section AESS Society, 1998-1999
- Chair, IEEE Huntsville Section Educational Activities, 1997-1998
- Chair, IEEE UAH Student Chapter, 1982-1983
- Vice-Chair, IEEE UAH Student Chapter, 1981-1982
- Vice-Chair, UAH Eta Kappa Nu Chapter, 1982-1983
- Member, IEEE, 1981 Present

Other

- Technical Committee, Vertical Lift Society (previously known as American Helicopter Society) Redstone Chapter, 2017 – Present
- Member, Army Aviation Association of America, 2017 Present
- NCEES Committee Member, 2015 Present
- Member, International Transportation System (ITS) Data Bus (IDB) standards committee, 2000 - 2001
- President, UAH Student Engineering Council, 1983-1984
- Vice-President, UAH Student Engineering Council, 1982-1983

POSITION STATEMENT

As an active IEEE volunteer for over 37 years, with technical and executive experience that include cross-domain management of technical teams nationally and internationally, I have the leadership skills to organize and enhance member benefits and engagement. As my continued efforts to serve IEEE members of Region 3, my priorities would be to promote our members career advancement.

If elected, I will work to:

- 1. Providing our regional members with the means to expand their skill set, increase networking and collaboration with others within their technical expertise and across other domains, and participate in leadership opportunities.
- 2. Expand interaction with Young Professionals, provide mentorship, and expand networking opportunities to engage participation in leadership roles.
- 3. Expand IEEE Region 3 Section's visibility within their respective communities through increased promotion of IEEE value proposition.
- 4. Increase collaboration and joint exchange of information among IEEE and other technical societies.