



**For Immediate Release:**

Justice Initiatives is pleased to announce that Billy A. Wilson, Philanthropist, has been appointed as new Treasurer of the organization. Tom Myrick, Chair, stated, “I look forward to working with Billy on the Executive Board. He has put a lot into being a Justice Initiative’s board member and I am excited to see what he will do as the Treasurer.”

Billy A. Wilson is a philanthropist whose career and educational endeavors have been dedicated to public service. During the past 10 years, he has held criminal justice-related positions in city, county, and state government, all of which were in the Mecklenburg County criminal justice system.

Upon earning a B.A. in Criminal Justice and Sociology from UNC-Charlotte in 2000, Billy committed himself to serving Mecklenburg County youth and their families on the front-lines of the court system as a Juvenile Court Counselor with the North Carolina Department of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (DJJDP). While with DJJDP, he enrolled in the Master of Public Administration Program at UNC-Charlotte and focused much of his academic work on aspects related to the juvenile justice system in Mecklenburg County. He also assisted the Juvenile Crime Prevention Council (JCPC) with various planning efforts by conducting statistical analysis using Geographic Information Systems (GIS), a skill he developed by completing the GIS Certificate Program at UNC-Charlotte after graduating with his MPA degree.

In 2004, Billy served as Accreditation Manager with the Cornelius Police Department. As Accreditation Manager, he was tasked with the responsibility of implementing and maintaining processes to review and develop policies and standard operating procedures required by CALEA Standards for Law Enforcement Agencies, a body of internationally accepted standards for law enforcement agencies.

Upon the successful re-accreditation of the Cornelius Police Department, Billy accepted a Management Analyst position with the Mecklenburg County Manager's Office. In addition to his primary duties that were related to improving the efficiency and effectiveness of the criminal justice system in Mecklenburg County, he served as the County Manager's representative on the Juvenile Crime Prevention Council.

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