

As commissioner, Wayne Goodwin oversees the daily operations of the N.C. Division of Motor Vehicles, including vehicle registrations, driver licenses, vehicle safety and emissions inspections as well as activities to halt vehicle theft and identity fraud.

Before joining the N.C. Department of Transportation, Goodwin worked as president and CEO of Seaboard

Strategic Consulting where he provided counsel to insurance entities, businesses, associations and consumers.

Goodwin also previously served as state insurance commissioner for eight years, overseeing the agency that regulates insurance rates as products as well as investigating fraud. During his time as insurance commissioner, he also served as state fire marshal and chaired the national Antifraud Task Force for two years.

Prior to his time as insurance commissioner, he served as assistant general counsel and assistant commissioner of insurance.

Goodwin is an attorney who also served four terms in the N.C. House of Representatives from 1997-2004.

A native of Hamlet, Goodwin twice graduated from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill – first in 1989 with honors as a Morehead Scholar and a U.S. Senate/William Randolph Hearst Scholar and again in 1992 from the School of Law.

He now resides in Raleigh with his two children. His wife, Melanie Wade Goodwin, was an attorney and former state legislator who died in 2020.