

Lisa B. Nichols

Work Experience

Lisa has served as the Business Officer for the EOC (part-time, return-to-work retiree) since February 2012 managing all the financial transactions and reporting requirements for state agencies.

From March 2001 through June 2011, Lisa served as the K-12 Education Senior Research Budget Analyst for the SC Senate Finance Committee specializing in formulas and cost analysis related to statewide and school district revenues and expenditures. Lisa's legislative responsibilities were education finance, property tax and retirement.

From August 1995 through February 2001, Lisa served as the Director of Finance for the SC School Boards Association responsible for all financial aspects of the SCSBA and the Worker's Compensation, Property and Casualty, and School Athletics insurance trusts created to serve school districts throughout the state.

From October 1977 through July 1995, Lisa worked at the SC State Department of Education, beginning in the Office of Vocational Education, moving quickly to the Office of Personnel, then the Payroll Office, finally serving as a Senior Accountant in the Office of Finance. Lisa's responsibilities included preparing the annual agency detail budget, semi-monthly agency wide reconciliation to STARS cash, budget and expenditure reports, alignment of the SDE section of the annual appropriations act to the SDE internal organization structure, decode, FTEs, preparing and processing the semi-monthly supplemental payrolls while assisting in the preparation of the semi-monthly regular payrolls. As directed by the SDE Director of Finance handling special projects dealing with the Education Finance Act, Education Improvement Act, and school district revenues and expenditures.

For over 2.5 years prior to full-time employment at SDE, Lisa worked part-time at SDE in the Office of Textbooks as a summer textbook accounting clerk and during the non-summer months in the Office of Public Information assisting with the agency phones and typing speeches and press releases for the State Superintendent of Education, Senior Executives and Directors.

Areas of Expertise

State budget development, governmental accounting, reporting, and procurement, the legislative process, payroll and school district revenues and expenditures.

Education

1996 – 2000 American Management Association CFO/Controller's Training

1978 University of South Carolina, Theatre and Speech