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Entrepreneurship in Rural Georgia

Clay is from Waycross, GA and graduated from Mercer University in 1996 with a degree in Political Science. He was President of Student Government Association in 1995 and was the Algernon Sydney Sullivan graduate in 1996. His wife, Brooke, was Mercer's Homecoming Queen in 1997. Clay is involved in real estate development and is co-owner of both Riverbend and Crossway Realty. He previously served as president of the Waycross-Ware County Chamber of Commerce and the Waycross Jaycees. He was also elected as a Waycross City Commissioner. He was the youngest Commissioner to ever be elected in Waycross. In 2011, Clay completed a "bucket list item" by swimming the Escape from Alcatraz. Clay has a son, Banner, and a daughter, Neeley. Neeley is a sophomore at Mercer.