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George Kester – Washington & Lee University

George Kester is the Mamie Fox Twyman Martel Professor of Business Administration at Washington and Lee University. He previously held the William H. Dunkak Endowed Chair in

Finance at Bucknell University and was on the faculty of the McIntire School of Commerce at the University of Virginia.

During the summer months, he teaches in Slovenia at the University of Ljubljana. He has also been a visiting professor at the University of Melbourne, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, Shanghai University of International Business and Economics, National University of Ireland, University of the South Pacific, University of Malaya, and National University of Singapore.

His business experience includes president of Financial Analysis Systems, Inc., a computer software and consulting company. He has also been a marketing representative with The Service Bureau Company and held various positions in management accounting, credit analysis and commercial lending with First Union National Bank.

He has led numerous executive seminars and management development programs in Africa, Asia, Australia, Europe and the U.S. He is a member of the faculty of the Pennsylvania Bankers Association School of Commercial Lending and has led seminars for the Jakarta Stock Exchange, Singapore Institute of Management, UniCredit Bank, Bank Austria Creditanstalt, Singapore Airlines, Ltd., the University of Ljubljana Centre for Management Development and Training, and for other organizations.

His research interests are in the areas of applied corporate finance and financial education. He has published two books and numerous articles in academic and professional journals including nine articles appearing in the *Journal of Financial Education* and *Advances in Financial Education*. He serves on the FEA Journal Advisory Board.

He received his A.S. from Wingate College, B.B.A. from Wake Forest University, M.B.A. from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, and D.B.A. from the University of Virginia, Darden School of Business.

Bennie H. Nunnally, Jr. – UNC-Charlotte

Ben Nunnally is Professor of Finance Emeritus in the Belk College of Business at the University of North Carolina-Charlotte. He taught in the Belk College of Business at UNCC for thirty years and served for many years as chair of the Department of Finance and Business Law. In addition, he has consulted with many small businesses in the local area and elsewhere concerning business valuation, strategic planning and other matters related to financial management. Ben's industry experience includes the position of construction accountant (capital budgeting) at the B.F. Goodrich company. His publications include a number of peer-reviewed articles and cases as well as several finance textbooks.

Ben received his B.S. from Virginia Union University, MBA from Atlanta University, and Doctorate in Business Administration from the University of Virginia, Darden School of Business.