

Jerry Slocum, from Coldwater, Mississippi, farms soybeans, corn, and wheat. He is President of North Mississippi Grain Co, which operates three grain elevators in Mississippi. Jerry is a graduate of Mississippi State University with a Bachelor's Degree in Agricultural Engineering.

Jerry has been an avid participant in soybean market development and research for many years. He was a board member of the American Soybean Development Foundation, from 1985 to 1991. During that period, he was also President of the Mississippi Soybean Association (1989-90), Chairman of the Mississippi Feed and Grain Association (1985), President of the Mississippi Soybean Promotion Board, and he has been a member of the United Soybean Board since its creation in 1991. Within the USB, he served as Treasurer in 1994, Vice Chairman in 1995, and Chairman in 1996. He is currently serving as Chairman of the International Marketing Committee. Since late 1997, Jerry participated in six European trips with the purpose of explaining & gaining acceptance of the US farmers position on biotechnology. Jerry also serves on the Board of Directors of the Mississippi Delta Council and Chairs the Soybean, Wheat, and Feed Grains Committee. He served as Vice President of the Delta Council in 1996-97.

Jerry is involved in civic and community activities. He is a member of First Baptist Church, Coldwater, Mississippi, currently serving as Church Treasurer and member of the Building Committee. He also serves as Chairman of the City of Coldwater Housing Authority and is a member of the Tate County Economic Development Board.