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**Laura Derrick is 2018 South Carolina REALTORS® President**

**COLUMBIA, S.C. (November 7, 2017)** -- Laura Derrick, Realtor® at Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage in Columbia, is South Carolina REALTORS® (SCR) 2018 president. Derrick was inaugurated in a ceremony at the association's September annual meeting at the Greenville Hyatt Regency Hotel. Her term is begins this week.

As SCR president, Derrick's goal will be to focus on SCR's strategic plan, which is rooted in the protection of private property rights and transfer of real property without interference by government entities, unnecessary taxes and fees. In addition, South Carolina REALTORS® are proponents for homeowners seeking the benefits of the American Dream.



*Pictured: Laura Derrick,  
Coldwell Banker Residential  
Brokerage*

Laura Derrick is a former teacher and graduate of Clemson University. She has been a Columbia Realtor® for more than thirty years. Throughout that time she has held many state and local Realtor® association leadership roles including secretary of SCR in 2015 and SCR Region 5 Vice President (representing Columbia, Aiken and Southern Midlands) in 2013 and 2014. She was SCR treasurer in 2016. Derrick also is a graduate of SCR's esteemed leadership program, LeadershipSCR.

In 2011 she served as the Central Carolinas REALTOR® Association (CCRA) president. CCRA also presented her with its REALTOR® of the Year award in 2011.

She has won multiple sales awards including Top Sales, Top Listing Agent and Top Producer, and was also awarded the International President's Circle for Coldwell Banker. She holds multiple designations including Certified Residential Specialist (CRS) and Graduate of the Realtors® Institute (GRI).

Derrick is active in her community and serves on the Midlands Red Cross Board of Directors. She is a past volunteer and member of the March of Dimes Board of Directors. She is the mother of twins and lives in Columbia with her husband.

"Laura is a seasoned Realtor® leader with extensive knowledge in our industry. We are proud and honored to call her our president," said SCR Immediate Past President David Phillips.

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