

## Trustee Bios

### Vermont Historical Society

#### Nominations as Proposed by the Governance Committee

*July 27, 2018*

#### **For a 3-year term as a Vermont Historical Society Trustee:**

##### **Roger Allbee, Townshend (3<sup>rd</sup> Term)**

As a former Secretary of Agriculture, Food and Markets for the State of Vermont, Roger has a passion for Vermont and the history of agriculture in the state. One of his ancestors was the first settler of Newfane, Vermont. Roger is a member of the Sons of the American Revolution. He has a BS in Agricultural Economics from the University of Vermont, and an MS in Agricultural Economics from the University of Massachusetts. Roger has served on the VHS Board of Trustees since 2012.

##### **Bill Lippert, Hinesburg (1<sup>st</sup> Term)**

Bill's interest in history was demonstrated early by graduating with a History major from Earlham College in 1972. After coming to Vermont to hike with family members later that year, at the urging of a college classmate, he agreed to stay "for a month". From 1973 - 1996, Bill worked for the Counseling Service of Addison County, completing a M.A. in Counseling Psychology, working as a psychotherapist and for 10 years as the executive director. Gov. Dean appointed him to the legislature in 1994, where he continues to serve, chairing the House Health Care Committee. Throughout his life in Vermont, he has been an activist for LGBTQ social change and civil rights, unexpectedly helping to create history by crafting Civil Unions in 2000 and full Marriage Equality in 2009. He has a deep interest in preserving Vermont LGBTQ history and has supported VT History Day by establishing the VT LGBTQ History Award. Bill lives in Hinesburg with Enrique Peredo, his partner of 29 years, to whom he is legally married.

##### **Carl Lisman, Burlington (1<sup>st</sup> Term)**

Carl is a lawyer at Lisman Leckerling, P.C. in Burlington. Mr. Lisman received his A.B. from the University of Vermont and his J.D. from Harvard Law School. He is currently chair of the Executive Committee of the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws; a Fellow of the American College of Real Estate Lawyer; and a member of the Anglo-American Real Property Institute. He has served as chair of UVM Board of Trustees and as chair of the Vermont Air Quality and Solid Waste Variance Board.

##### **Jill Mudgett, Morrisville (2<sup>nd</sup> Term)**

Jill is a cultural historian who has taught history and interdisciplinary courses at several Vermont colleges. She earned her doctorate in American history from the University of Massachusetts. She is an occasional commentator on VPR and is currently president of the Morrisville Historical Society. Jill has served on the VHS Board of Trustees since 2015.



**Roger Stone, Burlington (2<sup>nd</sup> Term)**

Roger's ancestors came to Vermont after the French and Indian War. His immediate family moved to Vermont when he was in junior high, and he graduated in 1964 from UVM. He and his wife raised their children in Belmont, Massachusetts, before returning to Vermont. Roger was president of Stone Investment Advisory, Inc., Burlington, providing investment management and consultant services from 1995 to 2008. He joined the Fletcher Allen Health Care board in 2005 and served as chair in 2014. Roger has served on the VHS Board of Trustees since 2015.

**Nicholas Ward, Calais (1<sup>st</sup> Term)**

Nick grew up in Montpelier where his interest in history was nurtured by early visits to VHS as a child. After graduating from Williams College where he received the William Bradford Turner Prize in History for his thesis on women and eugenics in Victorian America, he was a Doctoral Fellow in American Civilization at Brown where he was writing his dissertation on the migration of Vermont Farm Girls to the New Hampshire cotton mills (1823-1850) under the direction of renowned American historian, Gordon Wood. Nick went on to the world of business (he ruefully admits before completing his PhD) where he was a successful entrepreneur, founding and running 2 technology companies that were subsequently sold to Fortune 500 organizations. He is currently chairman of roundCorner a company that provides fundraising software to large nonprofits such as The Sierra Club, Feeding America, CARE International, Planned Parenthood, the ACLU and ASPCA. Nick was a prior board member of VHS for many years and served as head of the Development Committee. He also served as VHS Interim Executive Director for almost one year after the departure of Kevin Graffagnino.

