## Mark Covington

Year after year, the city of Columbia is nationally recognized for its high quality of life. There's no question this reputation is well deserved but it does not come by chance. I believe that the village board system ensures that all people are able to enjoy the wonder that is Columbia. As a member of the board, I would be in a unique position to help support the family friendly atmosphere that attracts people from around the region. I understand this is not an easy task. Whether the topic is development, homeowners association, the Village Center or the common areas, careful deliberation and an open mind are needed. There are tough decisions to be made around all of these areas and I believe my love for this village and the 20+ years I have lived in Hickory Ridge will help me make the best decisions.