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Governor Bob Riley Board President

Governor Bob Riley was sworn into office for a second term as Alabama's chief executive in January 2007, following a successful first term marked by great progress for the state. During those first four years, Governor Riley made good on promises to improve education, put Alabama's economy on the right track and restore honesty to the Governor's Office. The people overwhelmingly endorsed the Governor's actions and his vision for a second term. They re-elected him with 58 percent of the vote, making him only the third sitting Alabama governor to win re-election in modern times.

Bob Riley was born and raised in the small Clay County town of Ashland, where his family has lived on ranches and farms for six generations. After graduating from the University of Alabama at age 20 with a degree in business administration, he returned to his hometown, married his high school sweetheart, Patsy Adams, and began a 30-year career in the private sector in which he ran several successful businesses and a cattle farm. On their ranch in Ashland, Bob and Patsy Riley raised a family of four children: Rob, Jenice, Minda and Krisalyn.



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