

John Holly Senior Consultant

John Holly is a lifelong human resources professional with a passion for coaching for personal and professional growth and success.

John was born in South Carolina, but spent his formative years growing up in South Florida. He attended Clark College (known now as Clark Atlanta University) where he attained his BBA. John is also a graduate of the 67th session of the Harvard Business School Program for Management Development.

John had a long tenure with Georgia Power and its parent company, The Southern Company, before moving into the food services industry working for companies such as AFC Enterprises, parent company to a number of iconic food services brands (Church's Chicken, Cinnabon, etc.). While at AFC Enterprises, John received the 1999 AFC Spirit Award for his leadership and collaborative skills.

From 2005 through 2016, John was a human resources leader with Cox Communications. While there he provided HR leadership during the devastation of Hurricane Katrina and the subsequent successful recovery of that system, among many other people successes. His team received the company's Vision Award for People in leading that historic effort. John was the primary human resources partner for the Chief Operating Officer and her team (Customer Service, Marketing, Finance).

Most recently John's role was as the Deputy Chief People Officer for Kumho Tire Georgia, an international tire manufacturer, which located its first U.S. plant in Macon, Georgia. John and the human resources team at Kumho had responsibility for recruiting, selecting, training and developing a team to grow into a major competitor in the tire industry.