

Alexander Miller and **Patrick Ballantine** are lobbyists for NCNA who help educate lawmakers about our legislative priorities.



Alexander Miller

Alex began lobbying as a student intern in 2006 and has built Alex Miller Government Affairs into a leading lobbying and public relations firm. He is former Infantry Squad Leader in the United States Army and direct practice Social Worker, holding a Bachelors in Social Work from Pacific Lutheran University in Tacoma, Washington and a Masters with a focus in Public Policy from the School of Social Work at UNC Chapel Hill.



Patrick Ballantine

Patrick Ballantine served 10 years in the North Carolina State Senate. He was first elected in 1994 and quickly rose through the ranks, being elected the Senate Republican Leader in 1998 and re-elected unanimously in 2000 and 2002.

Ballantine resigned his Senate seat in 2004 to run for Governor of North Carolina. Sen. Ballantine challenged several qualified candidates and won the Primary to become the Republican Nominee for Governor. In a hard-fought campaign that took Senator Ballantine to all 100 counties, he lost the election to the incumbent Governor Mike Easley.

Ballantine is an attorney and entrepreneur who graduated from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill with a BA in political science, and he received his law degree from the University of Dayton, where he was bestowed with The Order of Barristers.