

**Betty T. Roper SCBA President, 1979-80** 

"I served as the first woman president of SCBA in 1979-1980. 168 members enjoyed SCBA's first out-of-the-country convention in Cancun, Mexico, the site of the 1979 Summer Convention. I am proud to have appointed the first minority member of the SCBA Board, Elliott Franks, who now has a very important position with state government. Particularly notable was my involvement in the SCBA/NAB effort to defeat the proposed spectrum fee during my year."

- President of Clarendon Broadcasting, Inc.
- In 1992, became the first woman inducted into the SCBA Hall of Fame
- Presented the Order of the Palmetto in 1992 by Governor Carroll Campbell
- Has served as chairman of the Clarendon County Council since 1980 and is the first woman ever elected to that office. Was also the first woman chairperson of the Clarendon County Development Board from 1983-1984 and of the SC Dairy Commission, 1981-1985
- Began her company with a small AM station then expanded into three FM radio stations and then upgraded her primary station to a regional powerhouse. Co-founded and operated Clarendon Cablevision from 1981-1985.
- Served as president of the SC Association of Counties
- Presented with the President's Cup twice for outstanding service in local and state government