

James E. "Trippe" Cheek, III
Candidate for Trustee, University of the South
Lay Order

I am a candidate for re-election as Lay Trustee for the University of the South. In my first term as Trustee, I have chaired the Growth and Development Committee and have served on the board of Sewanee Village Ventures, which has constructed much-needed employee housing and is currently working to build Sewanee's first-ever employee apartment buildings. I was pleased to represent the Diocese in voting for the University's new Vice Chancellor and at his installation. Sewanee had the most student applications in its history for the class which entered in Fall 2023 and there are many other positive and encouraging signs for the University.

I am a Sewanee Phi Beta Kappa graduate and participated in student government, edited the newspaper, and was a varsity athlete. Since graduation, I have been Class Agent and President of the Sewanee Club of Central Florida.

My family and I have been members of St. Michael's Orlando for over 20 years, where I served on the Nursery School Board. I have been fortunate to serve on the Diocese Real Estate Committee and to volunteer my legal services as needed.

I am chairman of the board of Winderweedle, Haines, Ward & Woodman, in Winter Park, and am in my 36th year with the firm. I have been privileged to represent Rollins College and other institutions and have experience in university law matters which has proved beneficial as Trustee.

I would like to continue my efforts to bring Sewanee and the Diocese closer.