

STEVE CARTER

Steve Carter is a Republican first elected to the Alamance County Board of Commissioners in 2018 and elected in 2022 [[NCSBE](#), 7/29/2025]. Key findings include:

- **Prominent Conservative Figure and Potentially anti-Democratic Actor:** Carter is a prominent conservative figure in Alamance County, founding a local tea party group in 2010 and helping the McCrory campaign with voter suppression tactics in 2016.

Alamance County, part of the Burlington metro area and within the greater Greensboro–Winston-Salem–High Point region, covers about 434 sq mi and had approximately 174,286 residents in 2023, up from around 171 k in 2020. The population is roughly 60% non-Hispanic White, 19.6% Black, and 14.8% Hispanic or Latino [[Wikipedia](#), 7/29/2025]. In 2023, the county’s median household income was about \$64,445, with a poverty rate around 14%, and homeownership near 65.6% [[Data USA](#), 7/29/2025].

In the 2024 presidential election, Alamance County favored Donald Trump (R) with 53.36% to Kamala Harris (D) with 45.22%, similar to Biden’s result in 2020 but overperforming Clinton in 2016 [[NCSBE](#), 7/29/2025]. However, in the 2024 gubernatorial race, Democrat Josh Stein carried the county as part of his statewide win, reflecting competitive ticket-splitting: Stein flipped Alamance County Democratic, the first time since 2004 [[Wikipedia](#), 7/29/2025]. Despite these results, Republicans swept the County Commission elections in 2022 and 2024 and all five County Commissioners are Republicans.

BACKGROUND

Carter spent 35 years as a commercial banking manager and has long been active in conservative politics. In 2010, Carter founded a local Tea Party group (“Alamance Conservative”) and has served as finance chair of the county GOP. He touts endorsements from prominent Republicans (e.g. Lt. Gov. Mark Robinson) and served as Board Vice Chair (2019–present). Carter portrays himself as a fiscal hawk focused on budgets, school safety, and law enforcement, aligning with mainstream Republican priorities [[Elon News Network](#), 7/29/2025].

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VULNERABILITIES & ADVERSE FINDINGS OF NOTE

SOCIAL MEDIA LINKS

[Campaign website](#)

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