



Hon. Ben Ku

Commissioner – District 2

Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners

Ben Ku was first elected to the Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners in 2018. District 2 includes Peachtree Corners, Berkeley Lake, Norcross, Tucker, and Lilburn. He is the first Asian American and the first openly gay man elected to the Gwinnett Board.

A Georgia native, Ben is the grandson of Chinese immigrants who moved to Atlanta to help engineer the original MARTA heavy rail system. Ben has more than 20 years of entrepreneurial and software development experience. He graduated from the Georgia Institute of Technology with highest honors and is active in the Mentor Jackets program offering guidance to Georgia Tech students. Ben has served as president of his homeowners' association where he helped to re-engage the neighborhood, improve its website and communications, and build cash reserves.

In 2016, Ben participated in the [Gwinnett 101 Citizens Academy](#), which sparked his interest in County government. He helped create and then served on the Gwinnett 101 Alumni Advisory Board. He received the Gwinnett 101 Alumni Distinguished Service Award for Most Volunteered Hours in 2017.