

## **ROCKFORD TOEWS**

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### **CANDIDATE BIOGRAPHY**

Rock has been an active member of the community for many years. He has served on the city's Historic Preservation Commission as well as on the boards of the Charles Carroll House, the Mitchell Gallery at St. John's College, and the West River Quaker Burial Ground. He served on the city's 2009 Lincoln Bicentennial Commission and wrote the history of Abraham Lincoln's only visit here, "Lincoln in Annapolis, February 1865."

Rock owns Back Creek Books on Main Street, selling used and rare books, maps, ephemera, and related antiques. As someone who owns both a home and a business within the city limits, he brings a particularly balanced perspective to many of the issues affecting Ward 8 and the city at large.

Rock moved to Annapolis from California 31 years ago, having grown up on a small citrus ranch in the San Joaquin Valley. He bought his house in Eastport in 1991, and married his wife, Joy, in 1996. They have raised a son and a daughter here, now both in their early 20s.

Rock has a bachelor's degree in business administration (accounting emphasis). In addition to owning his own business for many years he has worked in public accounting, residential property management, and was an early manager of the Barnes & Noble here in Annapolis. Rock currently serves as treasurer for the Southeast Chapter of the Antiquarian Booksellers Association of America (ABAA).