

Anita Ray Arnold and Truman Arnold

Anita Ray Arnold is a partner in TA Capital, a private family equity firm in Dallas. In addition to previously serving as chair of the Willis M. Tate Distinguished Lecture Series Board of Directors, she has been deeply involved in community service across the area. She has served on several local boards, including the AT&T Performing Arts Center, Baylor Scott & White Foundation, Texas Cultural Trust and Texas Women for the Arts. She has also been involved in numerous other organizations, including the John F. Kennedy Center Board of Trustees in Washington, D.C., where she chaired the education committee; the Clinton School of Public Service, where she served on the board; the Texas Committee for the Humanities; and the MD Anderson Cancer Center steering committee.

Truman Arnold is managing partner in TA Capital. He has served as chairman of the board of directors for the Texarkana College Foundation and has served on the board of Texarkana College and the Board of Regents of Lamar University. He also has been active in other fundraising and charitable organizations. In 2006, he was appointed by then-Gov. Rick Perry to the Tax Reform Commission, resulting in legislation reforming the methodology for funding public education in Texas.

In 2007, Anita and Truman Arnold were awarded honorary Doctor of Leadership degrees from Texas A&M University-Texarkana in recognition of their many humanitarian achievements.