

“For more than fifty-five years Brislin, Inc. has been providing complete mechanical systems, including air conditioning, heating, commercial and industrial plumbing, process piping and industrial sheet metal and ventilation to residents, commercial clients and industry in the Golden Triangle area of Columbus, Starkville, and West Point, Mississippi, and western Alabama.”

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M.S. “Mickey” Brislin, III started working part-time for the family business before he attended Mississippi State University. Brislin then served in the U.S. Army before going back to work at Brislin, Inc., and it was then that he realized he had found his niche.

“Working on construction projects and designing mechanical systems became a passion,” said Brislin. “I also knew that I wanted some day to own my own company, so I focused on learning all aspects of the company business.”

Brislin reached that goal when he took over ownership of the company from his father in 1984, and he is currently serving as president. Other officers include his son and vice president, Quinn Brislin, and the secretary/treasurer, Danita Owens.

“I have worked diligently to build a successful company, and I give

credit for my success to blessings from the Lord, a supportive family, great employees and close friends,” he said.

More than 75 employees are currently working as pipe fitters/welders, plumbers, refrigeration technicians and sheet metal technicians for the company. Other subcontractors including mechanical controls, insulation and testing/balancing, also work directly for and are managed by Brislin, Inc.

Mickey has been married for 43 years to his wife, Vana, and they have two married children – Lee Kathryn McAnally (Adam) and Quinn Brislin (Amber). The family also includes three granddaughters and two close canine companions.

Brislin said he is blessed to have time to “frequent the fishing hole,” and he considers Fly Fishing his

number one pastime – a hobby for his grandchildren, of course.

He is also involved with a number of other organizations. Brislin is a Paul Harris Fellow in the Columbus Rotary Club, a Trustee of Frank Phillips Memorial YMCA, a Mississippi State Bulldog Club member, an Episcopalian and is retired from the U. S. Army Reserve.

Brislin and his company also support the Building Construction Science Program at Mississippi State University.

“We recognize the importance of having highly educated students who wish to further their training in the field of construction and, for my company, those who want to become experts at managing mechanical construction projects,” he said. “MSU affords this opportunity for all who complete the Building Construction Science Program.”