

**Vincent Leggett**  
**Maryland Citizen Member**

Vince Leggett is founder and president of the Blacks of the Chesapeake Foundation (BOCF), whose work brings to light the maritime history of African Americans in the Chesapeake Bay. The foundation maintains a collection of records, artifacts, genealogies, and more than 40,000 photographs representing 200 years of African American life and work in the seafood and maritime industries. The Library of Congress and the U.S. Congress designated BOCF as a Local Legacies project, and former governor of Maryland, Parris N. Glendening, commissioned Leggett as an honorary Admiral of the Chesapeake in 2003.