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Deb Sofield is a dynamic Keynote Speaker, Author of the book, *Speak without Fear – Rock Star Presentation Skills to get People to Hear What You Say*, Radio Talk Show Host and President of her own Executive Speech Coaching Co., which trains women and men for success in speaking, presentation skills, media and message development in the U.S. and abroad.

Recognized for her work for improving the lives of others and her contribution to the state of South Carolina, the southern region, and the nation, Sofield was honored by Leadership South Carolina with *Legacy of Leadership Award*. Considered one of South Carolinas most formidable women, the Southeastern Institute for Women in Politics awarded Deb Sofield the *Leading Women Award*. Sofield was also awarded the *Order of the Palmetto* – the State of South Carolina’s highest honor. She was named “*Communicator of the Year*” by the Association for Women in Communications and won the prestigious *Toastmasters District 58 Communication and Leadership Award* for the state of South Carolina. She was also awarded the *Strom Thurmond Excellence in Public Service honor* and was chosen as the *ATHENA Award* recipient by the Greenville Chamber of Commerce for her work. Deb Sofield is a Liberty Fellow – affiliated with the Aspen Institute Global Leadership Network, a worldwide community of successful, high-integrity entrepreneurial leaders. Sofield is also a member of the National Speakers Association.

Deb Sofield is a visiting professor, teaching public speaking at Harvard University, John F. Kennedy School of Government, and on the faculty of the Woman’s Campaign School at Yale University (where she is Past President of the Board), she has worked at Loyola University School of Mass Communications, the University of South Carolina’s School of Mass Communications and Clemson University. Sofield also works with the International Republican Institute and is on the board for the Women’s Democracy Network of Washington, DC. Sofield teaches Communications and Media Training for Civil Society around the world and she served as a mentor and trainer for The Center for Liberty in the Middle East.

Actively involved in her community, Sofield represents the City of Greenville as a past Chairman and current Commissioner of Public Works for the Greenville Water System and is the first woman to hold this position since its inception in 1918. Sofield was formerly a two-term member of Greenville City Council.