

## GERALD BOUDREAUX

Gerald Boudreaux was elected to represent District 24, in the Louisiana State Senate on October 24, 2015 and was sworn into office on January 11, 2016. He was re-elected October 12, 2019 and sworn in on January 13, 2020 for the second term. He was re-elected to his third and final term on October 14, 2023 and sworn in on January 8, 2024

He was appointed as a member to the following Senate Committees in his first term:

- Education
- Health and Welfare
- Revenue and Fiscal Affairs
- Select Committee on Veteran's Affairs (Vice-Chairman)
- Select Committee on Veteran's Affairs (**Chairman**) April 8, 2019
- Joint Capital Outlay
- HBCU Advisory Council (2018 to present)

He was appointed as a member to the following Senate Committees for his second term:

- Executive
- Finance
- Health and Welfare
- Local and Municipal Affairs (Vice-Chairman)
- Select Committee on Military and Veteran's Affairs (Chairman)
- Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget

He was appointed as a member to the following Senate committees in his third term:

- Executive
- Finance
- Health and Welfare
- Local and Municipal Affairs (Vice-Chairman)
- Select Committee on Military and Veteran's affairs
- Louisiana Military Family Assistance Board
- Select Committee on State Police Oversight
- Capitol Security Council
- Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget

Additionally, his state service during his tenure in the legislature includes being appointed to the:

- Louisiana Obesity Prevention and Management Commission
- Louisiana Workforce Investment Council
- Governor's Advisory Council on Disability Affairs
- WON Louisiana Legislative Commission
- Louisiana Drug Policy Board
- Advisory Council on Historically Black Colleges and Universities
- Atchafalaya Basin Program Oversight Committee
- Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children
- Louisiana Bullying Awareness and Treatment Task Force
- Military Family Assistance Board

Gerald currently serves on the Board of Directors for the following:

- Miles Perret Cancer Services Center
- Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame (LSHOF)
- Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady Health System (FMOLHS) (PJP Members)
- Martin Luther King, Jr., Holiday Committee (1985-Present) (Chairman 1993-present)

However, his service/work history also includes:

- Director of Parks and Recreation Department (January 1985-June 2020); appointed to this position by six Mayors of the City of Lafayette. Served a total of 42 years (part and full time) in the department (1978-2020)
- Past member of Board of Directors - United Way of Acadiana (1987-1996)
- Past member of Board of Directors - Chamber of Commerce of Lafayette (1989-1991)
- Past member of Kiwanis-Southwest LA (1984-2004)
- Past member and Chairman of the Board of Directors for Lourdes Hospital (2005-2013)
- Past Member of Ragin Cajun Athletic Foundation (RCAF) (2013-2016)
- Past Member of the Louisiana State Parks Board (1988-1992)

Education:

- B.S. Degree in Education from UL Lafayette - 1982
- Graduate of Northside High School - 1978

Gerald and his wife Carlos are the parents of Whittney, Hallie, Reginald (deceased) and Brittney (deceased). They are the grandparents of Kallie and Khloe Batiste The Boudreaux's are members of Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church, where he serves as a "Trustee", Member of the Finance Committee and as Captain of the 11:00am Usher Society.

Honors/Awards:

- Outstanding Young Man of America, 1984
- Kiwanian of the Year (Kiwanis-Southwest), 1986
- Distinguished Service Award Recipient (Hershey Track), 1986
- Naismith Award (College Basketball Official of Year), 2000
- Mr. Louisiana Basketball (Louisiana Association of Basketball Coaches), 2008
- Dave Dixon Sports Leadership Award; inducted into the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame, 2010 as a Division 1 College Basketball Official.
- Trailblazer Award from the Greater Lafayette Black Chamber of Commerce, 2015

Legislative Recognition:

- 2016      Tribute to Excellence Award presented by Lafayette National Association of University Women Organization.
- Outstanding Graduate Award  
            Christiana-Smith/UL Alumni Chapter  
            Legislature of the year SW LA Economic Development Alliance
- 2017      Legislator of the Year  
            Louisiana School Board Association
- Business Champion Award  
            Southwest Louisiana Chamber of Commerce
- 2018      Friend of St. Landry  
            Evangeline CASA Award
- 2019      Louisiana Federation of Teachers  
            School Employees Legislative Award
- Horseman's Benevolent & Protective Association  
            Triple Crown Award
- 2020      Historic Tax Credit Champion
- Women of Wisdom Gratitude Service Award Recipient
- 2021      Business Champion Award  
            Southwest Louisiana Chamber of Commerce
- 2022      100 Black Men Vanguard Award  
            Business Champion Award  
            Early Care and Education Champion
- 2023      Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities  
            Champion of Culture
- Homecare Association of Louisiana  
            Legislator of the Year
- Louisiana State Nurses' Association  
            Legislature of the Year
- Boys and Girls Club of America  
            State Alliance Champion

2023 Department of Public Safety Superintendent award of excellence  
Governor's Outstanding Leadership in Disabilities award

AARP Legislator of the Year

Leadership Award of Electrical and Computer Engineering  
University of Louisiana – Lafayette

Coastal Conservation Association  
CCA Conservation Champion

2024 Optometry Association of LA  
Legislator of the Year

Innocence Project – N.O.  
Stand for Justice Award

In addition to his community and civic responsibilities, Gerald was active as an NCAA College Basketball Official from 1984 until 2006, and was selected to work the Final Four five times during his career (four championship games). He served as the Supervisor of Men's Basketball Officials for the Southeastern Conference from 2006 through 2013.