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## MEDIA RELEASE

### State Civil Service Announces Retirement of longtime State Civil Service Commission Chairman David L. Duplantier

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The Louisiana State Civil Service Commission announces the retirement of David L. Duplantier after serving 24 years as a State Civil Service Commissioner, with 14 years of service as Chairman.

Mr. Duplantier was appointed to the State Civil Service Commission in January 2001 by Governor Mike Foster, following a nomination by Loyola University of New Orleans. He went on to serve three consecutive terms under Governors Foster, Kathleen Blanco, Bobby Jindal, John Bel Edwards, and most recently under Governor Jeff Landry.

“When first appointed, I was a Senior Counsel with Chevron USA, Inc. in the New Orleans Business Unit and then retired with 25 years of service. I then went on to serve the state for 24 years, which feels like a second career in state government,” remarked Commissioner Duplantier.



*SCS Commissioner David L. Duplantier*

“Mr. Duplantier has always been a champion for and a supporter of our HR Community. His efforts have pushed progress within our State’s HR Programs, enabling countless state employees to realize opportunities and citizens access to critical state services,” said State Civil Service Director Byron P. Decoteau, Jr. “Mr. Duplantier’s contributions are highly valued, and his lasting influence will remain an integral part of our team as we continue to build a workforce dedicated to Louisiana’s future.”

“I consider myself fortunate and blessed to have spent 24 years here, working alongside the Commission and the staff of State Civil Service. It has been incredibly meaningful to me to play a role in guiding the human resources programs for Louisiana state government,” added Duplantier.

The State Civil Service Commission is a seven-member body that has final authority over the administration of the State Civil Service system. The Commission serves as an impartial review board that enacts and adjudicates State

Civil Service Rules to regulate state personnel activities, and hears appeals from state employees and agencies. Commission meetings and hearings are held monthly and are open to the public.

Six of the Commission members are appointed by the governor; the seventh is an employee representative elected by fellow state employees. Each member serves a six-year term.

Other members of the Commission include D. Scott Hughes, Vice-Chairman (Centenary College); Candes C. Carter (Xavier University); Craig A. Netterville (Tulane University); Jo Ann Nixon (Dillard University); J. Stewart Gentry; and Codi Plaisance (employee representative).

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