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State Civil Service Announces Retirement of State Civil Service Commissioner John McLure

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Mr. John McLure, longtime member of the State Civil Service Commission, recently announced his intent to retire from the Commission effective June 6, 2024.

Mr. McLure has served on the Commission since 2001. He was appointed to the State Civil Service Commission after being nominated by Louisiana College and appointed by Governor Mike Foster. He has been subsequently nominated and reappointed by former Governors Kathleen Blanco, Bobby Jindal, and John Bel Edwards.

“On behalf the Commission and our Department, we would like to express our profound gratitude, admiration, and appreciation for Mr. John McLure, who has devoted over 23 years of his life to this state with unwavering dedication,” said State Civil Service Director Byron P. Decoteau, Jr. “Mr. McLure has been a steadfast advocate of for the principles of fairness, transparency, and accountability within the merit system, while also championing site-based management to empower agency heads to fulfill their missions.”

“It has been a pleasure to work with all the directors, and other members of the Commission over the years. It has meant a lot to me to be able to move Louisiana state government in the right direction,” said McLure in his remarks at the May Commission meeting.

In addition to serving on the State Civil Service Commission, Mr. McLure practiced law in Woodworth, Louisiana.

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. When choosing an appointed member, the Governor must select from a list of three people nominated by the president of one of the state's major private universities.

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

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