

LOUISIANA CLERKS OF COURT ASSOCIATION
65TH ANNUAL LOUISIANA CLERKS OF COURT CONVENTION
FINAL SESSION
FRIDAY, APRIL 16, 2010 AT 9:00 AM
NEW ORLEANS SHERATON

The 65th Annual Clerks of Court Association Annual Convention Final Session was called to order by President Robby Barousse.

2012 Convention Site

President Barousse asked if there were any bids for the 2012 Convention Site. Cynthia Johnston, Clerk of Court of Bossier Parish, proposed that the 2012 Convention be held in Bossier Parish. Mark Graffeo moved that the proposal for the 2012 Convention to be held in Bossier Parish be accepted. Motion was seconded by Louie Bernard. **Motion carried.**

President Barousse again thanked the 2010 Convention Committee for a great convention and thanked the Clerks for allowing him the opportunity to serve as President of the Louisiana Clerks of Court Association.

First Vice President Louie Bernard presented President Barousse with a plaque in appreciation of his leadership during the past year.

Executive Director, Debbie Hudnall, thanked President Barousse for the confidence he had shown in her during the past year and presented him with a token of appreciation.

Dale Atkins introduced the Honorable Rosemary Ledet, Judge of the Civil District Court for the Parish of Orleans, to administer the oath of office to the incoming officers.

The following officers were duly sworn in:

Insurance Trust Board of Trustees

1st District Member – Felicia Ann Hendl

7th District Member – ElRay Lemoine

Retirement and Relief Fund Board of Trustees

President – Louie Bernard

1st Vice President – Mark Graffeo

Treasurer – Tammy Foster

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**Louisiana Clerks of Court Association
President – Louie Bernard
1st Vice President – Mark Graffeo
3rd Vice President – Tommy Sullivan
Treasurer – Tammy Foster
Secretary – Bill Hodge
7th District Member – ElRay Lemoine**

President Robby Barousse presented Incoming President Louie Bernard with the gavel.

At this time a special surprise presentation was made to Incoming President Louie Bernard when Linda Cook, Clerk of Court of Lincoln Parish, sung a beautiful rendition of Patsy Cline's - Crazy.

President Louie Bernard thanked the Association for allowing him the privilege of service as President of the Association once again. He distributed the following to each person there:

“A Symbolic Tribute to Our Deputy Clerks”

For my entire political career, I have told audiences that our Clerk's Office is successful “in spite” of me and “because” of our employees. I mean that in the most sincere way.

This morning, as I accept the Presidency of our Association, I have asked my employees attending this convention to stand with me as I take the oath of office. Symbolically, I want to extend to them, and to every deputy clerk in this room, the heart felt thanks that every Clerk feels for the unparalleled commitment you make every day in our offices around this state.

Bette Midler says in her song ... “*Did you ever know that you're my hero?*” ... This morning, I want all of you to know that deep in the heart of every Clerk of Court, you really are our heroes. We thank you for all you do...we cherish the partnership we share... and we are blessed for the family that we have all become.

Thank you Deputy Clerks! It is the honor of my lifetime to serve as your President for the upcoming year!

Louie

Louie thanked the Association staff for what they do and assured everyone that the Boards would be taking care of business in the upcoming year. He encouraged the Clerks to be involved and said that it was critical that they know what is going on. He said that every Clerk would be invited to attend Board meetings and that he would ask that the Board minutes be posted on the website as quickly as possible.

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He asked that each District Member hold District meetings and that everyone be sure to read their emails as that would be the quickest method of communication. He also announced that the Executive Committee would be holding a Strategic Planning Meeting during the upcoming year. Again, President Bernard thanked everyone for allowing him to serve as President of the Louisiana Clerks of Court Association.

THE 65TH ANNUAL CLERKS OF COURT CONVENTION ADJOURNED



Linda Cook



Robby Barousse