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(32nd U.S. President)

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of Manatee County**

Manatee County Citizen's Guide to Elected Officials

2017

**A guide for contacting government
representatives at national, state, and
local levels**

**P.O. Box 545
Bradenton, FL 34206
Phone: (941) 744-9692**

Website: www.lwvmanatee.org

National Elected Officials

President (4 years) Term Expires
Donald J. Trump (R).....Jan. 2021
Address: White House, Washington, DC, 20500
White House comment line: (202) 456-1111
Phone: (202) 456-1414
Fax: (202) 456-2461
Website: www.whitehouse.gov
Email: president@whitehouse.gov

Vice President (4 years)
Mike Pence (R).....Jan. 2021
Contact information same as above.
Email: vice_president@whitehouse.gov

U.S. Senate website: <http://senate.gov>

U.S. Senators (6 years)
Bill Nelson (D).....Jan. 2019
Address: Washington, D.C.
716 Senate Hart Office Building
Washington, DC 20510
Phone: (202) 224-5274
Fax: (202) 228-2183
Email and website: www.billnelson.senate.gov
Tampa Office:
801 North Florida Ave., 4th Floor
Tampa, FL 33602
Phone: (813) 225-7040, Fax: (813)225-7050
Toll-free: (888) 671-4091

Marco Rubio (R)Jan. 2023
Address: Washington, DC.
284 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510
Phone: (202) 224-3041
Fax: (202) 228-0285
Toll free: (866) 630-7106
Tampa Office:
No Address
Tampa, FL
Phone: (813) 287-5035
Fax: (844) 762-1556
Email and website: www.rubio.senate.gov

U.S. House of Representatives

website: www.house.gov
U.S. Representatives (2years)
16th Congressional District
Vern Buchanan (R).....Jan. 2019
Bradenton Office
1051 Manatee Avenue West, Suite 305
Bradenton, FL 34205
Phone: (941) 747-9081
Fax: (941) 748-1564
Washington:
2104 Rayburn House Office Building,
Washington, DC 20515
Phone: (202) 225-5015; Fax: (202) 226-0828
Email and website: <http://buchanan.house.gov>

State Elected Officials

Governor and Cabinet: (4 years).

Address for all:
The Capitol
400 S. Monroe St,
Tallahassee, FL 32399

Terms for all expire Jan. 2019

Governor

Rick Scott (R)
(850) 717-9337; fax: (850) 487-0801
Website and email: www.flgov.com

Lt. Governor:

Carlos Lopez-Cantera (R)
(850) 488-7146
Email: www.flgov.com/email-the-lt-governor

Attorney General:

Pam Bondi (R)
(850) 414-3300; tollfree: (866) 966-7226
Website and email: <http://myfloridalegal.com>

Chief Financial Officer:

Jeff Atwater (R)
Phone: (850) 413-3100
Email: Jeff.Atwater@MyFloridaCFO.com
Website: www.myfloridacfo.com

Commissioner of Agriculture:

Adam Putnam (R)
Phone: (850) 617-7000
Toll free: (800) 435-7352
Website and email: www.freshfromflorida.com

District 21

Bill Galvano (R)Nov. 2020
District office:
1023 Manatee Avenue W, Suite 201
Bradenton, FL 34205
Phone: (941) 741-3401
Tallahassee:
420 Senate Office Bldg
404 South Monroe St
Tallahassee, FL 32399-1100
Phone: (850) 487-5021
Email: galvano.bill.web@flsenate.gov

Florida House of Representatives website: www.myfloridahouse.gov

State Representatives (2 years)

District 70

Wengay "Newt" Newton, Sr. (D).....Nov. 2018
District Office:
2520 Trailmate Dr., Suite 101
Sarasota, FL 34243
Phone: (941)727-2042; Fax: (941)727-2041
Tallahassee:
1302 The Capitol
402 S. Monroe St.
Tallahassee, FL 32399-1300
Phone: (850) 717-5070
Email: newt.newton@myfloridahouse.gov

District 71

Jim Boyd (R).....Nov. 2018
District office:
717 Manatee Ave. West, Suite 100
Bradenton, FL 34205
Phone: (941) 708-4968; Fax: (941) 708-4970

Tallahassee:

418 The Capitol
402 S. Monroe St.
Tallahassee, FL 32399-1300
Phone: (850) 717-5071
Email: jim.boyd@myfloridahouse.gov

District 73

Joe Gruters (R).....Nov 2018
District Office:
381 Interstate Blvd.
Sarasota, FL 34240-8686
Phone: (941) 378-6309; Fax: (941) 378-6319
Tallahassee:
1101 The Capitol
402 S. Monroe St.
Tallahassee, FL 32399-1300
Phone: (850) 717-5073
Email: joe.gruters@myfloridahouse.gov

12th Judicial Circuit and County Court Judges for Manatee County (6 years, non-partisan terms)

Court Administrator: Walt Smith (941) 749-3600, ext. 7110

Circuit Judges:

Hunter Carroll, (941) 749-3611..... Jan 2019
Teresa Dees, (941) 749-3623 Jan 2019
Janette Dunnigan, (941) 749-3635.....Jan 2019
Deno Economou, (941) 749-3621.....Jan 2019
Brian Iten, (941) 749-3625Jan 2018
Susan Maulucci, (941) 749-3619..... Jan 2021
Diana Moreland, (941) 749-3617.....Jan 2023
Edward Nicholas, (941) 749-3633..... Jan 2021
Andrea McHugh (941) 861-7800Jan 2021
Gilbert Smith, Jr. (941) 749-3631.....Jan 2021

County Judges:

Robert A. Farrance (941) 749-3609.....Jan 2021
K. Douglas Henderson (941) 749-3607..... Jan 2023
Mark Singer (941) 749-3601..... Jan 2021
Charles Sniffen (941) 749-3605.....Jan 2021

Mailing Address:

Manatee County Judicial Center
P.O. Box 3000,
Bradenton, FL 34206
Office: 1051 Manatee Avenue W,
Bradenton, FL 34205
Phone: (941) 749-3600; Fax: (941) 749-3692
Website: www.jud12.flcourts.org

State Attorney (4 years).....Jan. 2021

Ed Brodsky (R)
Manatee County Building
1112 Manatee Ave. W., P.O. Box 1000
Bradenton, FL 34206
Phone: (941) 747-3077; Fax: (941) 742-5868

Public Defender (4 years)

Larry Eger (R).....Jan. 2021
2071 Ringling Blvd., 5th Floor
Sarasota, FL 34237
Phone: (941) 861-5500

Manatee County Elected Officials

Mailing address:
P.O. Box 1000, Bradenton, FL 34206-1000
Location: Manatee County Administration Bldg,
1112 Manatee Ave. W., Bradenton, FL 34205
Phone: (941) 748-4501
Website: www.mymanatee.org
County Commissioners (4 years)
District 1 Priscilla Whisenant Trace (R).....Nov 2020
Phone: (941) 745-3701; Fax: (941) 745-3790
Email: priscilla.trace@mymanatee.org
District 2 Charles B. Smith (D).....Nov 2018
Phone: (941) 745-3702; Fax: (941) 745-3790
Email: charles.smith@mymanatee.org
District 3 Stephen R. Jonsson (R).... Nov 2020
Phone: (941) 745-3705; Fax: (941) 745-3790
Email: steve.jonsson@mymanatee.org
District 4 Robin DiSabatino (R)Nov 2018
Phone: (941) 745-3713; Fax: (941) 745-3790
Email: robin.disabatino@mymanatee.org
District 5 Vanessa Baugh (R).....Nov 2020
Phone: (941) 745-3703; Fax: (941) 745-3790

Email: vanessa.baugh@mymanatee.org
At Large Seat 6 Carol Whitmore (R).....Nov 2018
Phone: (941) 745-3704; Fax: (941) 745-3790
Email: carol.whitmore@mymanatee.org
At Large Seat 7 Betsy Benac (R).....Nov 2020
Phone: (941) 745-3714; Fax: (941) 745-3790
Email: betsy.benac@mymanatee.org

Manatee County Administrator (appointed)

Ed Hunzeker.....Phone: (941) 745-3717
Email: ed.hunzeker@mymanatee.org
Citizen Action Center: (941) 742-5800.

Clerk of the Circuit Court (4 years)

Angelina "Angel" Colonnese (R).....Jan. 2021
Mailing address: P.O. Box 25400, Bradenton, FL 34206
Office: 1115 Manatee Ave. W., Bradenton, FL 32405
Phone: (941) 749-1800
Website: www.manateeclerk.com

Supervisor of Elections (4 years)

Michael Bennett (R).....Jan. 2021
600 301 Blvd. W., Suite 108
Bradenton, FL 34205
Phone: (941) 741-3823; Fax: (941) 741-3820
Email: info@votemanatee.com
Website: www.votemanatee.com

Sheriff (4 years)

Charles R. (Rick) Wells (R).....Jan. 2021
600 US Hwy 301 Blvd W., Bradenton, FL 34205
Phone: (941) 747-3011, ext. 2222
Website: http://manateesheriff.com

Property Appraiser (4 years)

Charles Hackney (R).....Jan. 2021
Office: 915 4th Ave. W., Bradenton 34205
Mail: P.O. Box 1338, Bradenton, FL 34206
Phone: (941) 748-8208; Fax (941) 742-5664
Email: manateepao@mymanatee.org
Website: www.manateepao.com

Tax Collector (4 years)

Ken Burton, Jr. (R).....Jan. 2021
Main Office: 819 301 Blvd W, Bradenton, FL 34205
Mail: P.O Box 25300, Bradenton, FL 34206
Phone: (941) 741-4800; Fax: (941) 741-3584
Email: kenb@taxcollector.com
Website: www.taxcollector.com

**Manatee County School Board (4 years),
nonpartisan** Phone for all: (941)708-8770

District 1 Gina Messenger.....Nov. 2020
Email: messengerg@manateeschools.net
District 2 Charlie Kennedy.....Nov. 2018
Email: kennedy2c@manateeschools.net
District 3 David Miner.....Nov. 2020
Email: minerd@manateeschools.net
District 4 Karen Carpenter.....Nov. 2018
Email: carpenter2k@manateeschools.net
District 5 John Colon.....Nov. 2020
Email: colon2j@manateeschools.net

Superintendent of Schools (appointed)

Dr. Diana Greene.....Phone: (941) 708-8770, ext
2260; Fax: (941) 708-8686; email:
greened@manateeschools.net
Address of School Board and Superintendent:
215 Manatee Ave. W., Bradenton, FL 34205
Mail: P.O. Box 9069, Bradenton, FL 34206-9069
Website: www.manatee.k12.fl.us

Sarasota-Manatee County Airport Authority

Address: 6000 Airport Cir., Sarasota, FL 34243
Phone: (941) 359-2770 x 4216; Fax (941) 359-5054
Website: www.srq-airport.com
Chairman (appointed): John Stafford
Email: john.stafford@srq-airport.com
President & CEO (appointed): Frederick J. Piccolo

Port Manatee Authority

Chair: Vanessa Baugh (R) Manatee County
Commissioner
Executive Director (appointed) Carlos Buqueras
Address: 300 Tampa Bay Way, Suite 1

Palmetto, FL 34221

Phone: (941) 722-6621
Fax: (941) 729-1463
Email: cbuqueras@portmanatee.com
Website: www.portmanatee.com

City Elected Officials

City of Anna Maria

Address: P. O. Box 779, Anna Maria, FL 34216
Location: 10005 Gulf Dr, Anna Maria, FL 34216
Phone: (941)708-6130; Fax: (941) 708-6134
Website: www.cityofannamaria.com

Mayor (2 years, nonpartisan)

Dan Murphy.....Nov. 2018
Email: ammayor@cityofannamaria.com

Commissioners (2 years, nonpartisan)

Carol Carter.....Nov. 2017
Email: amcommcarter@cityofannamarian.com
Doug Copeland.....Nov 2017
Email: amcommcopeland@cityofannamaria.com
Brian Seymour.....Nov. 2018
Email: amcommseymour@cityofannamaria.com
Dale Woodland.....Nov. 2017
Email: amcommwoodland@cityofannamaria.com
Nancy Yetter.....Nov. 2018
Email: amcommyetter@cityofannamaria.com

City Clerk (appointed): Leanne Addy

Email: amclerk@cityofannamaria.com

City of Bradenton

Address: City Hall, 101 Old Main St W., Bradenton,
FL 34205
Phone: (941) 932-9400
Website: www.cityofbradenton.com

Mayor (4 years, nonpartisan)

Wayne Poston.....Jan 2021
Phone: (941) 932-9450
Email: wayne.poston@cityofbradenton.com

Council (4 years, nonpartisan)

Ward 1 - Gene Gallo.....Jan 2021
Phone: (941) 932-9448
Email: gene.gallo@cityofbradenton.com

Ward 2 – Gene Brown.....Jan 2021

Phone: (941) 932-9449

Email: gene.brown@cityofbradenton.com
Ward 3 - Patrick Roff.....Jan 2019
Phone: (941) 932-9453

Email: patrick.roff@cityofbradenton.com
Ward 4 – Bemis Smith.....Jan 2019
Phone: (941) 932-9454

Email: bemis.smith@cityofbradenton.com
Ward 5 - Harold Byrd, Jr.....Jan 2021
Phone: (941) 932-9455

Email: harold.byrdjr@cityofbradenton.com
City Administrator (appointed): Carl Callahan
Phone: (941) 932-9461; Fax: (941) 932-9547
Email: cityclerk@cityofbradenton.com

City of Bradenton Beach

Address: City Hall, 107 Gulf Drive North
Bradenton Beach FL 34217
Phone (941) 778-1005; Fax: (941) 778-7585
Website: http://cityofbradentonbeach.com

Mayor (2 years, non-partisan)

William 'Bill' Shearon.....Nov 2019
Email: mayor@cityofbradentonbeach.com
Commissioners (2years, nonpartisan)

Ward 1 – Jake Spooner.....Nov 2019
Email: ward1@cityofbradentonbeach.com
Ward 2 – Marilyn Mayo.....Nov 2018

Email: ward2@cityofbradentonbeach.com
Ward 3 – Ralph Cole.....Nov 2017
Email: ward3@cityofbradentonbeach.com

Ward 4 – John Chappie.....Nov 2018
Email: ward4@cityofbradentonbeach.com
City Clerk (appointed) – Terri Sanclemente

Phone: (941) 778-1005 x 216
Email: tsanclemente@cityofbradentonbeach.com

City of Holmes Beach.

Address: 5801 Marina Drive
Holmes Beach, Florida 34217
Phone: (941) 708-5800; Fax: (941) 708-5812
Website: www.holmesbeachfl.org

Mayor (2years, non-partisan)

Bob Johnson.....Nov 2018

Phone: (941) 708-5800, ext. 227

Email: hbmayor@holmesbeachfl.org

Commissioners (2years, nonpartisan, at-large)

Marvin Grossman,,,,,,.....Nov 2018

Email: mgrossman@holmesbeachfl.org

Pat Morton.....Nov 2017

Email: pmorton@holmesbeachfl.org

Jean Peelen Nov 2017

Email: jpeelen@holmesbeachfl.org

Judy Titsworth (Chair).....Nov 2018

Email: jtitsworth@holmesbeachfl.org

Carol Soustek.....Nov 2017

Email: csoustek@holmesbeachfl.org

City Clerk (appointed) – Stacey Johnston

Phone: (941) 708-5800, ext. 226

Email: cityclerk@holmesbeachfl.org

Town of Longboat Key

Address: Town Hall, 501 Bay Isles Rd

Longboat Key, FL 34228

Phone: (941) 316-1999; Fax: (941) 316-1656

Website: www.longboatkey.org

Town Mayor and Commissioners

(2 years, nonpartisan)

District 1 Randy ClairMarch 2018

Email: rclair@longboatkey.org

District 2 George Spoll.....March 2019

Email: gspoll@longboatkey.org

District 3 and Mayor Terry Gans..... .March 2018

Email: tgans@longboatkey.org

District 4 Jack DalyMarch 2019

Email: jdaly@longboatkey.org

District 5 Ed Zunz.....March 2018

Email: ezunz@longboatkey.org

At-Large and Vice Mayor Irwin Pastor..March 2018

Email: ipastor@longboatkey.org

At-Large Jim Brown.....March 2019

Email: jbrown@longboatkey.org

Town Clerk (appointed) - Trish Granger

(941) 316-1999, ext. 1310

Email: tgranger@longboatkey.org

Town Manager(appointed) – Dave Bullock

(941) 316-1999, ext. 1212

Email: dbullock@longboatkey.org

City of Palmetto

Address: Palmetto City Hall, 516 Eighth Ave. W.,

Palmetto, FL 34221. Mail: P.O. Box 1209,

Palmetto, FL 34220-1209

Phone: (941) 723-4570; Fax: (941) 723-4576.

Website: www.palmettofl.org.

Mayor (4 years, nonpartisan)

Shirley Groover Bryant.....Nov 2020

Email: mayor@palmettofl.org

Commissioners (4 years, non-partisan)

Ward 1 – Harold Smith.....Nov 2018

Email: hsmith@palmettofl.org

Ward 2 – Tambra Varnadore.....Nov 2018

Email: tvarnadore@palmettofl.org

Ward 3 - Brian Williams.....Nov 2018

Email: bwilliams@palmettofl.org

At Large- Tamara Cornwell.....Nov 2020

Email: tcornwell@palmettofl.org

At Large- Jonathan Davis.....Nov 2020

Email: jdavis@palmettofl.org.

City Clerk (appointed) - James Freeman

Phone: (941) 723-4570

Email: jfreeman@palmettofl.org.

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Municipal Election Dates, 2017

Town of Longboat Key.....March 14

City of Anna Maria.....November 7

City of Bradenton Beach.....November 7

City of Holmes Beach.....November 7

For more information:

Manatee County Supervisor of Elections:

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Mailing: PO Box 1000, Bradenton FL 34206-1000

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Email: info@votemanatee.com

Hours: M-F, 8:30am-5:00pm

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