

2017-2018 Constitution Revision Commission

The 2017-18 Florida Constitution Revision Commission (CRC), is a group of 37 citizens whose task is to review the state constitution to determine if any changes need to be made by either changing existing language in the constitution or adding additional amendments to it via the 2018 election.

The CRC is comprised of appointees from the Governor (15), the Senate President (9), the House Speaker (9), Chief Justice of the Florida Supreme Court (3) and then an automatic selection of the Attorney General.

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CHAIRMAN CARLOS BERUFF

City: Bradenton (Manatee County)

Occupation: Founder & CEO, Medallion Homes

Public Service/Affiliations:

- State College of Florida, Board of Trustees
- Southwest Florida Water Management District
- Office of Governor Rick Scott, Commission on Healthcare and Hospital Funding, Chair
- Sarasota Manatee Airport Authority Board, Commissioner

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COMMISSIONER JOSE "PEPE" ARMAS

City: Miami (Miami-Dade County)

Occupation: Doctor; Chair, MCCI Group

Committees: Bonding and Investments (Article VII) (V-CH) • Finance and Taxation (Article VII) • Legislative (Article III)

Public Service/Affiliations:

- Florida International University Board of Trustees, Member
- National Advisory Board of Health Research Resources, Member
- Dean's Advisory Board, Member
- Florida International University Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine, Interview Committee Member
- Georgetown University School of Nursing and Healthcare, Advisory Board

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COMMISSIONER PAM BONDI

City: Tallahassee (Leon County)

Occupation: Attorney General of Florida

Committees: Executive (Article IV) • Judicial (Article V)

Public Service/Affiliations:

- Assistant State Attorney, Florida's 13th Judicial Circuit, Hillsborough County
- Former Felony Bureau Chief, 13th Judicial Circuit, Florida
- Former Prosecutor, 13th Judicial Circuit, Hillsborough County



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City: Sarasota (Sarasota County)

Occupation: Co-Owner & Manager, Mabry Carlton Ranch

Committees: Declaration of Rights (Article I) (CH) • Legislative (Article III) • Rules and Administration

Public Service/Affiliations:

- Florida Senate, 1998-2008
- Florida House of Representatives, 1994-1998

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City: Tallahassee (Leon County)

Occupation: Attorney

Committees: Rules and Administration (CH) • Judicial (Article V) • Style and Drafting

Public Service/Affiliations:

- Office of Governor Rick Scott, General Counsel, 2015-2016
- Florida Department of Health, Chief of Staff & General Counsel, 2005-2007
- First District Court of Appeal, Nominating Commission, 2013

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COMMISSIONER HENRY "HANK" COXE

City: Jacksonville (Duval County)

Occupation: Attorney

Committees: Ethics and Elections (Article VI, part of Article II) (CH) • Judicial (Article V) • Rules and Administration

Public Service/Affiliations:

- The Florida Bar, President 2006-2007, Board of Governors 1997-2007
- Florida Supreme Court Innocence Commission
- Florida Judicial Qualifications Commission
- Fourth Judicial Circuit Court, Nominating Commission
- First District Court of Appeal, Nominating Commission

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COMMISSIONER JOSE FELIX DIAZ

City: Miami (Miami-Dade County)

Occupation: Attorney; Florida State Representative

Committees: Legislative (Article III) (CH) • Executive (Article IV) • Rules and Administration

Public Service/Affiliations:

- Florida House of Representatives, 2010-Present
- Miami-Dade Legislative Delegation, Chair 2015-present, Vice-Chair 2011-2015
- Public Service Commission Nominating Council, Chair, 2013, 2015



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COMMISSIONER ERIKA DONALDS

City: Naples (Collier County)

Occupation: Chief Financial Officer/Chief Compliance Officer & Partner, Dalton, Greiner, Hartman, Maher & Co., LLC

Committees: Local Government (Article VIII) (CH) • Declaration of Rights (Article I) • Education (Article IX) • Rules and Administration

Public Service/Affiliations:

- Collier County Public Schools, Vice-Chair
- Florida Coalition of School Board Members, Founder & Past President

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COMMISSIONER DON GAETZ

City: Niceville (Okaloosa County)

Occupation: Co-Founder & Vice-Chair (retired), VITAS Healthcare Corporation

Committees: Bonding and Investments (Article VII) • Ethics and Elections (Article VI, part of Article II) • Executive (Article IV) •

Public Service/Affiliations:

- Florida Senate 2006-2016, President 2012-2014
- Okaloosa County School District, Superintendent, 2000-2006

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COMMISSIONER EMERY GAINEY

City: Tallahassee (Leon County)

Occupation: Florida Department of Legal Affairs, Director of Law Enforcement, Victim Services & Criminal Justice Programs

Committees: General Provisions (Articles II, X, XI, and XII) (V-CH) • Declaration of Rights (Article I) • Local Government (Article VIII) •

Public Service/Affiliations:

- Marion County Sheriff, 2016-2017
- Alachua County Sherriff's Office, 1982-2007

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COMMISSIONER ANNA MARIE HERNANDEZ GAMEZ

City: Coral Gables (Miami-Dade County)

Occupation: Attorney, Holland & Knight, LLP

Committee: Judicial (Article V) (V-CH) • Style and Drafting

Public Service/Affiliations:

- Cuban American Bar Foundation, President, 2017
- Top Lawyer, South Florida Legal Guide, 2017
- Florida Association for Women Lawyers



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COMMISSIONER TOM GRADY

City: Naples (Collier County)

Occupation: Attorney

Committee: Finance and Taxation (Article VII) (V-CH) • Education (Article IX) • Style and Drafting

Public Service/Affiliations:

- Florida House of Representatives, 2008-2010
- Commissioner of Financial Regulation
- State Board of Education, Member

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COMMISSIONER BRECHT HEUCHAN

City: Tallahassee (Leon County)

Occupation: Founder & CEO, ContributionLink, LLC

Committees: Style and Drafting (CH) • Ethics and Elections (Article VI, part of Article II) • General Provisions (Articles II, X, XI, and XII) •

Public Service/Affiliations:

- Republican Party of Florida, Director of Senate Campaigns, 1999

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COMMISSIONER MARVA JOHNSON

City: Winter Garden (Orange County)

Occupation: Regional Vice-President of State Government Affairs, Charter Communications

Committees: Education (Article IX) (CH) • Declaration of Rights (Article I) • Rules and Administration

Public Service/Affiliations:

- Florida State Board of Education, Chair
- Florida Virtual School Board, Member
- Rollins College's Crummer Center for Leadership Development, Advisory Board

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COMMISSIONER DARLENE JORDAN

City: Palm Beach (Palm Beach County)

Occupation: Executive Director, Gerald R. Jordan Foundation

Committees: Education (Article IX) • Executive (Article IV) (CH) • Style and Drafting

Public Service/Affiliations:

- Massachusetts Office of the Attorney General, Assistant Attorney General 1996-1999
- Florida Board of Governors of the State University System, 2016
- Fordham's Board of Directors, Member



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COMMISSIONER ARTHENIA JOYNER

City: Tampa (Hillsborough County)

Occupation: Attorney

Committees: Declaration of Rights (Article I) • Ethics and Elections (Article VI, part of Article II) • Judicial (Article V) •

Public Service/Affiliations:

- Florida Senate 2006-2016, Minority Leader 2014-2016, Minority Leader Pro Tempore 2010-2012, Minority Whip 2006-2010
- Florida House of Representatives, 2001-2006

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COMMISSIONER FRED KARLINSKY

City: Weston (Broward County)

Occupation: Attorney; Shareholder, Greenberg Traurig; Co-Chair, Greenberg Traurig's Insurance Regulatory and Transactions Practice

Committees: Finance and Taxation (Article VII) (CH) • General Provisions (Articles II, X, XI, and XII) • Rules and Administration •

Public Service/Affiliations:

- Florida State University College of Law, Adjunct Professor
- Florida Supreme Court Certified Mediator
- Florida Supreme Court Nominating Commission
- Seventeenth Judicial Circuit Court, Nominating Commission, Vice-Chair and Chair

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COMMISSIONER BELINDA KEISER

City: Parkland (Broward County)

Occupation: Vice Chancellor, Keiser University

Committees: Legislative (Article III) (V-CH) • Education (Article IX) • Executive (Article IV)

Public Service/Affiliations:

- Florida Council 100, Ex-Officio Member
- Enterprise Florida Board of Directors
- Florida Technology, Research and Scholarship Board, Chair

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COMMISSIONER FRANK KRUPPENBACHER

City: Orlando (Orange County)

Occupation: Attorney

Committees: Ethics and Elections (Article VI, part of Article II) (V-CH) • Bonding and Investments (Article VII) • Style and Drafting

Public Service/Affiliations:

- Greater Orlando Aviation Authority, Chair
- Florida Commission on Ethics
- Florida Commission on Sales Tax Reform



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COMMISSIONER TOM LEE

City: Thonotosassa (Hillsborough County)

Occupation: Florida State Senator; Vice President & Director, Sabal Homes of Florida; Licensed Real Estate Salesperson

Committees: Judicial (Article V) • Legislative (Article III)

Public Service/Affiliations:

- Florida Senate 1996-2006, 2012-Present, President 2004-2006, Deputy Majority Leader 2012-2014

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COMMISSIONER GARY LESTER

City: Oxford (Sumter County)

Occupation: Developer; Vice President, The Villages for Community Relations; President, The Villages Charter School

Committees: Declaration of Rights (Article I) • General Provisions (Articles II, X, XI, and XII) • Style and Drafting

Public Service/Affiliations:

- Marion County Sheriff

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COMMISSIONER PATRICIA LEVESQUE

City: Tallahassee (Leon County)

Occupation: Executive Director, Foundation for Florida's Future; CEO, Foundation for Excellence in Education

Committees: Education (Article IX) • Legislative (Article III) •

Public Service/Affiliations:

- Office of Governor Jeb Bush, Deputy Chief of Staff
- Office of the Florida House Speaker, Staff Director
- Florida Taxation and Budget Reform Commission, 2007-2008

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COMMISSIONER ROBERTO MARTINEZ

City: Coral Gables (Miami-Dade County)

Occupation: Attorney

Committees: Judicial (Article V) • Style and Drafting

Public Service/Affiliations:

- American College of Trial Lawyers, Fellow
- International Academy of Trial Lawyers, Fellow
- U. S. Department of Justice, U.S. Attorney, Southern District of Florida
- Federal Judicial Nominating Commission, Chair



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COMMISSIONER RICH NEWSOME

City: Orlando (Orange County)

Occupation: Senior Partner, Newsome Melton Law Firm

Committees: Bonding and Investments (Article VII) • Ethics and Elections (Article VI, part of Article II) •

Public Service/Affiliations:

- U.S. Attorney's Office Federal Prosecutor
- Florida Justice Association, President
- American Association for Justice, Board of Governors
- Fifth District Court of Appeal, Nominating Commission, Chair, 2001

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COMMISSIONER CHRIS NOCCO

City: New Port Richey (Pasco County)

Occupation: Sheriff, Pasco County

Committees: Local Government (Article VIII) (V-CH) • Executive (Article IV)

Public Service/Affiliations:

- Office of the Speaker of the House Marco Rubio, Deputy Chief of Staff
- Florida Highway Patrol, Chief of Staff
- Pasco Sheriff's Charities, Inc., Board Member
- Regional Medical Center Bayonet Point, Advisory Board

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COMMISSIONER JEANETTE NUÑEZ

City: Miami (Miami-Dade County)

Occupation: Small business owner; Florida State Representative

Committees: Finance and Taxation (Article VII) • General Provisions (Articles II, X, XI, and XII) • Style and Drafting

Public Service/Affiliations:

- Florida House of Representatives 2010-Present, Speaker Pro Tempore 2016-2018, Deputy Whip 2011-2012
- Statewide Council on Human Trafficking
- National Assessment Governing Board

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COMMISSIONER SHERRY PLYMALE

City: Palm City (Martin County)

Occupation: Retired

Committees: Rules and Administration (V-CH) • Ethics and Elections (Article VI, part of Article II) • General Provisions (Articles II, X, XI, and XII)

Public Service/Affiliations:

- State Board of Community Colleges, Chair
- Florida Republican Party, Vice-Chair
- Florida Department of Education, Chief of Staff



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COMMISSIONER DARRYL ROUSON

City: St. Petersburg (Pinellas County)

Occupation: Attorney; Florida State Senator

Committees: Bonding and Investments (Article VII) • Finance and Taxation (Article VII) • Legislative (Article III)

Public Service/Affiliations:

- Florida Senate, 2016-Present
- Florida House of Representatives, 2008-2016
- Pinellas County Former Prosecutor
- Tax and Budget Reform Commission, 2007-2008
- St. Petersburg NAACP, President, 2000-2005

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COMMISSIONER WILLIAM "BILL" SCHIFINO, JR.

City: Tampa (Hillsborough County)

Occupation: Attorney; President, The Florida Bar

Committees: Judicial (Article V) (CH) • Ethics and Elections (Article VI, part of Article II)

Public Service/Affiliations:

- Burr & Forman Law Firm, Managing Partner
- University of Florida Levin College of Law, Board of Trustees
- Thirteenth Judicial Circuit Court, Nominating Commission, Chair

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COMMISSIONER CHRIS SMITH

City: Fort Lauderdale (Broward County)

Occupation: Attorney

Committees: Bonding and Investments (Article VII) (CH) • Ethics and Elections (Article VI, part of Article II) • Finance and Taxation (Article VII)

Public Service/Affiliations:

- Florida Senate 2008-2016, Minority Leader 2013-2014
- Florida House of Representatives 1998-2008, Minority Leader 2004-2006

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COMMISSIONER BOB SOLARI

City: Vero Beach (Indian River County)

Occupation: Commissioner, Indian River County; Chair, Board of County Commissioners

Committees: Bonding and Investments (Article VII) • Local Government (Article VIII) • Local Government (Article VIII)

Public Service/Affiliations:

- Indian River County Taxpayers Association, Member
- City of Vero Beach Council, Member



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COMMISSIONER CHRIS SPROWLS

City: Palm Harbor (Pinellas County)

Occupation: Attorney; Florida State Representative

Committees: Executive (Article IV) (V-CH) • Education (Article IX) • Style and Drafting

Public Service/Affiliations:

- Florida House of Representatives, 2014-Present
- American Bar Association House of Delegates
- Sixth Judicial Circuit, Assistant State Attorney

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COMMISSIONER JOHN STEMBERGER

City: Orlando (Orange County)

Occupation: Civil Trial Lawyer, Law Offices of John Stemberger, P.A.;
President & General Counsel, Florida Family Policy Council

Committees: Declaration of Rights (Article I) (V-CH) • Local Government (Article VIII)

Public Service/Affiliations:

- Republican Party of Florida, Political Director, 1992
- Council for National Policy, Member
- Ninth Judicial Circuit Court, Nominating Commission, 2001-2009, Chair 2002-2003

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COMMISSIONER PAM STEWART

City: Tallahassee (Leon County)

Occupation: Commissioner, Florida Department of Education

Committees: Education (Article IX) • Executive (Article IV)

Public Service/Affiliations:

- Florida Department of Education's Division of Public Schools, Deputy Chancellor for Educator Quality
- St. Johns County, Deputy Superintendent for Academic Services



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COMMISSIONER JACQUI THURLOW-LIPPISCH

City: Town of Sewall's Point (Martin County)

Occupation: Realtor

Committees: General Provisions (Articles II, X, XI, and XII) (CH) • Executive (Article IV) •

Public Service/Affiliations:

- Sewall's Point City Commissioner, 2008-2016, Mayor 2011-2012
- Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council, Vice Chair
- Florida League of Cities, Chair
- Senator Joe Negron's Select Senate Hearing on Indian River Lagoon and Lake Okeechobee, Special Panel Member, 2013
- Sewall's Point Cultural Committee, Founding Member

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COMMISSIONER CAROLYN TIMMANN

City: Stuart (Martin County)

Occupation: Clerk of the Circuit Court & Comptroller, Martin County

Committees: Style and Drafting (V-CH) • Judicial (Article V) • Local Government (Article VIII) • Rules and Administration

Public Service/Affiliations:

- Office of State Representative Tom Warner, Legislative Assistant
- Office of Governor Jeb Bush, Executive Deputy Chief of Staff, Division Director
- Nineteenth Judicial Circuit Court, Judicial Assistant
- Florida Solicitor General, Special Assistant

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COMMISSIONER NICOLE WASHINGTON

City: Miami Beach (Miami-Dade County)

Occupation: Education Consultant

Committees: Education (Article IX) (V-CH) • Finance and Taxation (Article VII) • Local Government (Article VIII)

Public Service/Affiliations:

- State University System Board of Governors, Associate Director of Governmental Relations
- Governor's Office of Policy and Budget, Budget Director for Education
- Florida A&M University, Board Member
- LeRoy Collins Institute, Board Member
- Veterans Trust Board, Member



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