

COAST Board of Directors



PRESIDENT

Martin Lapari

Marty has served on the COAST Board of Directors since June 2021 and currently holds the role of President. A resident of Covington, he lives with his wife of 55 years and their Catahoula-Lab mix, Elle. Marty is a proud father of two and grandfather to four. He is a U.S. Army veteran, having served from 1971 to 1973, and enjoyed a long career in chemical manufacturing before retiring. Marty is active in his church community, serving as Treasurer and Ruling Elder at Covington Presbyterian Church, and previously volunteered with the Historic New Orleans Collection.

Al Hamauei

Al has served on the COAST Board of Directors since November 2023 and currently holds the position of Vice President. He is also a member of the Finance, Board Development, and Resource Development Committees. A longtime resident of Lacombe, Al is a semi-retired consultant and licensed real estate broker with a distinguished career in banking, appraisal, and public service. He has served as a parish councilman, chaired numerous civic and charitable boards, and currently chairs the Finance Committee at Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church. Al and his wife of 56 years, Mary Katherine, have three sons and twelve grandchildren.



VICE
PRESIDENT



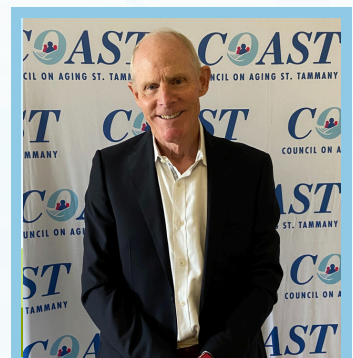
SECRETARY

Janice Roussel

Janice has served on the COAST Board of Directors since June 2021 and currently holds the position of Secretary. She is also a member of the Board Development, Personnel, and Finance Committees. Originally from New Orleans, Janice is a graduate of Loyola University and retired from the New Orleans Police Department as Personnel Director. She now resides in Folsom, where she continues to stay active in the community. Janice is a certified Master Gardener in St. Tammany Parish, teaches two weekly yoga classes, serves as a Eucharistic Minister to the homebound, and participates in two book clubs.

Bruce Margetson

Bruce joined the COAST Board of Directors in June 2024 and currently serves as Treasurer. He is also a member of the Finance Committee. A resident of Covington, Bruce serves on the Advisory Board of the West 30's Redemption Company and chairs the Finance Committee at Christ Episcopal Church. He is a retired Chief Executive Officer in the technology industry. Bruce has been married for 54 years and is proud to be a father to one son and grandfather to two grandsons.



TREASURER

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Conie Abernathy

Conie has served on the COAST Board of Directors since June 2017. She currently chairs the Personnel Committee and is a member of the Board Development Committee. Conie is a retired labor and employment defense attorney with a 30-year legal career. She also serves on the Board of the Christwood Foundation and is an active member of the Covington Garden Club, where she holds the position of Corresponding Secretary.

Rene Arcemont

Rene joined the COAST Board of Directors in June 2025 and serves on both the Board Development and Personnel Committees. He lives in Slidell with his wife of 18 years and is a proud father to one daughter and grandfather to two granddaughters. Rene brings a deep commitment to community service, reflected in his longstanding involvement with numerous nonprofit boards and civic organizations.



Wendy Batiste

Wendy joined the COAST Board of Directors in June 2025 and currently serves on the Personnel Committee. A lifelong resident of Lacombe, she has served on the Lacombe Recreation District Board and is an active Council Member at Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church. Wendy is passionate about creating opportunities and support systems that enhance the quality of life for seniors in St. Tammany Parish. She works as a Senior Process Support Consultant with Allstate Insurance.



Jamie Gabourel

Jamie joined the COAST Board of Directors in June 2023 and serves as a member of the Personnel Committee and Board Development Committee. Born and raised in Southern Louisiana, she has resided on the North Shore for the past 22 years. Jamie serves as the Chief Administrative Officer for Resource Bank.



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Kimberly Henry

Kim has served on the COAST Board of Directors since September 2023 and is a member of the Title III Services Committee. She is a resident of Mandeville and brings more than 25 years of experience in healthcare leadership. Kim currently serves as an Operations Director at Ochsner Health.

Jackie Landry

Jackie has served on the COAST Board of Directors since December 2023 and is a member of the Personnel Committee. A resident of Slidell, Jackie is a retired educator, school principal, and school psychologist. She remains actively involved in her community, serving as a Pastoral Council member, Secretary, Altar Society member, and Chaplain at Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Pearl River. Jackie is also an Election Commissioner in St. Tammany Parish and serves as Auxiliary Secretary for the American Legion Auxiliary Post 185 in Slidell.



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Amanda Mason

Amanda has served on the COAST Board of Directors since June 2021 and is a member of the Title III Services Committee. She is a resident of Mandeville and works as a social worker with Mary Bird Perkins Cancer Center. Amanda is also a member of Bionic Babes, Dancers of Hope. Her heart for serving the community is always evident in both her professional work and volunteer efforts.



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Marcus Wallace

Marcus has served on the COAST Board of Directors since December 2022 and currently serves as Chairman of the Title III Services Committee. A resident of Madisonville, he is a Board-Certified Physician in Internal Medicine. Marcus serves as the Chief Medical Officer for Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Carolina and also practices as a hospitalist at St. Tammany Health System.



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Scott Wallace

Scott has served on the COAST Board of Directors since June 2022 and currently chairs the Resource Development Committee. A resident of Covington, he brings over 16 years of experience in the nonprofit sector and has dedicated his career to advancing community-focused missions. Scott and his wife, Donna, have been married for nearly 30 years and raised their two sons on the Northshore. They are joyfully expecting their first grandchild at the end of 2025.

Kandise Wilson

Kandise joined the COAST Board of Directors in June 2024 and serves on both the Title III Services Committee and the Resource Development Committee. She is a resident of Covington and a dedicated registered nurse with over 13 years of experience in patient care. Kandise currently serves as the Director of Nursing at St. Anthony's Gardens, where she leads with clinical excellence and compassion. She is also an AHA-certified CPR instructor, committed to promoting health education and safety within the community.



Marie A. Wright

Marie has served on the COAST Board of Directors since November 2024 and is a member of the Title III Services Committee. A lifelong resident of Lacombe, she serves as a Managing Attorney with Southeast Louisiana Legal Services Corporation. Marie is deeply committed to community service and has contributed her time and expertise through active involvement in several other organizations.

A heartfelt thank you to these remarkable individuals for shaping COAST into what it has become today! We truly appreciate your commitment and the time you've dedicated to support and guide COAST.