

Introduction

My name is Mark Yawn I am respectfully submitting my name as a candidate to fill the remaining term for the Constable Ward 8 position. I was born and raised in Shreveport and lived almost exclusively in Ward 8 my entire life, I am very knowledgeable with people and this area. I have had interest in running for Constable for a number of years and with my faith in God, business experience, volunteer work and family, I believe I will be a great candidate for Constable and serve and help the people of Ward 8.

Family

I have been married 26 years to my wife Mary, we have two children, Jacob and Savanna. My wife has worked for local banks since 1985 and currently holds a Vice President Position. My son and daughter attended C.E. Byrd High School. My daughter is in Pre-Med at La Tech. My son, a Division one wrestler at Cornell University received a four year Ivy League degree. One year wrestling University of North Carolina and received his master's degree. He currently works in DC for congress.

Education

BS degree from Louisiana State University Shreveport with minor in Criminal Justice with heavy emphasis on civil and criminal law. Every course offered at LSUS, regarding law or legal was taken and truthfully excelled in each. I have completed numerous additional courses in Safety, Litigation, Construction Contract Law, Insurance and insurance law, Real Estate and real estate law, Contract law, Business Law plus many others.

Volunteer Work

My wife and I have served on the CAASE medical Board of Directors for approximately 6 years. CASSE provides healthcare for those that cannot afford medical care. It also provides for prenatal care for those who would otherwise not be able to protect their unborn children, and provides for healthcare for the high/at risk mothers and babies.

I have volunteered coached for many years football 13 seasons., baseball 2 yrs., BB 4 seasons, wrestling 12 yrs., and several other sports. I have worked with countless youngsters in the community using sports as a catalyst encouraging them to look to the future and become good citizens, fathers etc., I held the position of Athletic Director South Highlands Elementary School for several years. In 2015, the Byrd wrestling coach resigned, and I served as a volunteer head coach for the C.E. Byrd Wrestling Team. I continue to be Head Coach for the C.E. Byrd Wrestling Team.

Professional Experience

Owner Comprehensive General Contractors Incorporated

Owner Valentine Vista Building and Development LLC

Owner Xtreme Ops LLC

Owner River Rouge Plantation LLC

CEO Cardinal Points Investments LLC

Owner Xtreme Ops LLC, specializing in firearms, movie props and stunts

FFL -I currently hold a federal firearm license

As a general contractor with 43 years of experience, I have worked across the country, building and remodeling 7-Elevens, Circle K's, McDonalds and tons of other major companies. The building trade taught me to work successfully with people of all walks of life, from the CEO to subs, project managers, employees, store managers to the cleaning crews. In addition to the building trade, I've also owned two separate martial arts schools. In 2006 I entered the movie and film industry. I was invited into the Screen Actors Guild-AFTRA for stunts and still continue to work in the industry performing stunts, minor acting, safety and marine coordination. In 2018, I was part of a stunt team nominated for Best Stunts In a Motion Picture.

The constable's job works at the call of the ward 8 JP, serving papers and evictions are the primary jobs associated with the position. I've owned rentals and real estate for many years and have seen all sides of the proverbial coin. Several years ago, a constable helped me recover a track hoe that was stolen off my job site. Thank goodness, as SPD was unable to provide resources to assist with the investigation. At that time I decided if an opportunity ever arose, that I could help others from that position, I would step forward. With my experience as a contractor, coach, member of numerous boards, owner of multiple businesses, I have acquired a wealth of experience that adds significantly to my ability to navigate difficult situations. Past martial arts training, provides a calmness to handle those less than comfortable situations in a friendly manor whenever possible.

In closing, I hope to bring stability to our area and create an environment that my children will one day return to. I feel I can work hand in hand with the Justice of The Peace, and anyone else to facilitate understanding and making our community a better place.

I am asking for your consideration for the positon of Ward 8 Constable.