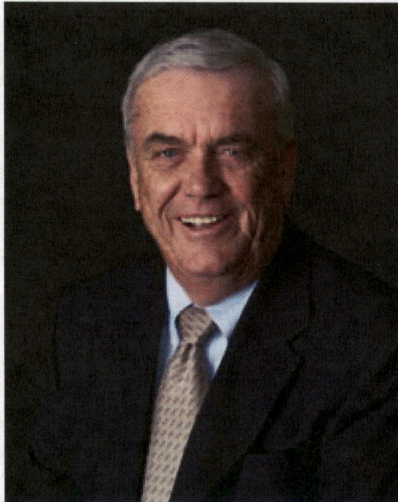


Commissioner J.D. Johnson Biography

COMMISSIONER J.D. JOHNSON BIOGRAPHY



J.D. takes great pride in his position as Tarrant County Commissioner for Precinct 4 (West Fort Worth and Northwest Tarrant County). But more importantly he takes pride in the citizens of Tarrant County.

J.D. and his staff welcome you to call or come by any time should you have any County government questions or concerns, whether they involve potholes or predicaments. The coffee is always hot, all concerns are important and constituent service is quick.

J.D. is a strong fiscal conservative. During his service on the Tarrant County Commissioners Court, he has worked hard to achieve either property tax rate decreases, or no tax increases, by eliminating inefficiency and waste throughout the County. For example, he has saved millions of taxpayer dollars by putting work release and minimum security prisoners to work on the roads of Tarrant County.

J. D.'s roots go back to his childhood in rural Falls County, which may account for his taking responsibility for both conservatism and road maintenance so seriously. He takes pride in the outstanding caliber of the roadwork done by his Precinct crews.

J. D. also serves as the liaison for the Commissioners' Court to the Tarrant County Sheriff's Department, the Tarrant County Emergency Services District Number 1, the Tarrant County 9-1-1 Emergency Assistance District, the Medical Examiner's Office, the Tarrant County Bail Bond Board, the Criminal Justice Council, the District Attorney's office and the Purchasing Agent Board.

He is the first Tarrant County Commissioner to receive a gubernatorial appointment to the Texas Commission on Jail Standards and has worked with the Tarrant County District Attorney's office to sponsor seminars to educate local law enforcement groups on terrorism and homeland security.

Being a staunch supporter of law enforcement and the criminal justice system appears to have become a family tradition as J.D.'s son is a 30 year veteran of the Fort Worth Police Department; and is currently serving Tarrant County Precinct 4 as Constable.

J.D. also serves as liaison for the Commissioners' Court to the Tarrant County Hospital District. In this position, J.D. has been active in securing badly needed funds to maintain a taxpayer-accountable and quality health care delivery system for the medically indigent of Tarrant County. J.D. has also helped to make a Prescription Discount

Card Program available to all Tarrant County citizens which offers average savings of up to 20 percent off the retail price of commonly prescribed drugs at participating pharmacies. These free prescription drug discount cards are available under a program sponsored by the National Association of Counties.

His civic involvement includes many community organizations including the Stockyards Business Association, the Northwest Chamber of Commerce, the Saginaw Chamber of Commerce and the Azle Chamber of Commerce. He is a former board member of the Tarrant County Homeless Coalition, the Northwest YMCA and Tarrant Council of Alcohol and Drug Abuse's "Coalition" which assists communities in the county in the prevention of drug abuse.

J.D. also has a passion for the 4-H and FFA clubs of Tarrant County. This passion began in his youth as an eight-year rodeo contestant participating in calf-roping and team-penning events. Today, J.D. has taken what he learned as a child and applied it to being a steward for Tarrant County's youth with financial support for youth groups and youth scholarship funding. He actively supports the Tarrant County Junior Livestock Show Association, North Texas High School Rodeo Association, Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show Calf Scramble Committee and was recently elected to the Board of Directors of the Fort Worth Stock Show and Rodeo.

For J.D.'s work with 4-H and FFA, he received one of three Texas 4-H Alumni Awards from the Texas Cooperative Extension. This is the highest honor award given to friends of 4-H or former 4-H members in Texas. He was honored again by the Texas Cooperative Extension in 2006, becoming the inaugural recipient of the "Extension in the City" award, recognizing outstanding support and leadership by an elected official for the Texas Cooperative Extension Urban Program.

Greatly respected statewide for his knowledge of efficient delivery of County services, J.D. frequently testifies before the Texas legislature and has served as President of the Texas Association of Counties (TAC); the County Judges and Commissioners Association of Texas; and the West Texas County Judges and Commissioners Association. J.D. is also a past recipient of the West Texas County Judges and Commissioners "Outstanding Elected Official of the Year" and "Sam D. Seale Award" leadership awards.

Prior to serving as Commissioner, J.D. served as councilman/mayor of his local city council (Saginaw) and was a District Manager for Southwestern Bell. J.D. currently lives in Northwest Tarrant County.

Boards and Commissions

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Commissioner Johnson currently serves on:

Naval Air Station - Fort Worth Joint Reserve Base - Regional Coordination Committee

Tarrant County Bail Bond Board

Tarrant County Purchasing Agent Board

Trinity River Vision Tax Increment Finance Board

Tarrant County Housing Finance Board

Tarrant County Industrial Development Board

Fort Worth South Side Tax Increment Finance Board

Tarrant County Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee

Commissioner Johnson currently serves as liaison to:

Tarrant County Hospital District

Tarrant County Medical Examiner's Office

Tarrant County Emergency Services District

Tarrant County District Attorney's Office

Tarrant County Sheriff's Office

Tarrant County Sheriff's Civil Service Board

Tarrant County 911 District Board