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## Louisiana Justice Hall of Fame Announces 2025 Inductees

Baton Rouge, Louisiana – Department of Public Safety & Corrections Secretary Gary Westcott, Warden Darrel Vannoy, and the Louisiana Prison Museum and Cultural Center are proud to announce the distinguished individuals selected for induction into the prestigious Louisiana Justice Hall of Fame. This milestone 20th-anniversary ceremony will honor those who have made outstanding contributions to justice in our state.

### 2025 Louisiana Justice Hall of Fame Inductees

- The Honorable John Alario, Jr. – Retired Senator, District 8, Jefferson Parish
- The Honorable Bo Duhe – District Attorney, 16th Judicial District (Iberia, St. Mary, and St. Landry Parishes)
- The Honorable Gary Bennett – Retired Sheriff, West Carroll Parish
- The Honorable Chad Leger – Chief of Police, City of Scott, Lafayette Parish
- The Honorable Tony Marabella – Retired Judge, 19th Judicial District, East Baton Rouge Parish

The inductees will be formally recognized at a banquet on Friday, June 6, 2025, at the Lod Cook Alumni Center at LSU in Baton Rouge. Earlier that day, a ribbon-cutting ceremony will be held at the Louisiana Prison Museum on the grounds of the Louisiana State Penitentiary at Angola. The ribbon-cutting event is free and open to the public. Light refreshments will be served.

“We are honored to celebrate these individuals who have dedicated their careers to justice and public service,” said Secretary Gary Westcott, Louisiana Department of Public Safety & Corrections.

### Banquet Ticket Information

Tickets to attend the banquet and formal induction ceremonies are \$100 each and include a catered meal. Tickets must be purchased in advance of the event. Contact the Louisiana Prison Museum and Cultural Center at (225) 655-2592 or visit [www.angolamuseum.org](http://www.angolamuseum.org) for tickets.

### About the Louisiana Justice Hall of Fame

The Louisiana Justice Hall of Fame, housed in the Louisiana Prison Museum and Cultural Center in Angola, Louisiana, honors individuals who have made lasting contributions to the state's justice system. Inductees represent a broad spectrum of justice-related fields, including law enforcement, corrections, the judiciary, victim advocacy, and related fields.

### About the Louisiana Prison Museum and Cultural Center

The museum's mission is to captivate visitors with a cultural experience that includes dialogue about the complex and compelling stories of corrections and justice in Louisiana. The museum is dedicated to preserving the history of Louisiana's correctional system and educating the public about its role in society. The museum offers a variety of exhibits, programs, and events throughout the year.

For more information, members of the media may contact the museum's Director, Kathryn Loecheit, by phone at (225) 655-2592 or email at [angolamuseum@angolamuseum.org](mailto:angolamuseum@angolamuseum.org).

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