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*Southern States nominates two thirds of the Black Marshals appointed by President Obama*

The states of Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, and Louisiana earned the top spot for number of recommendations to President Obama for the appointment of African American Marshals in his administration. The other states that recommended African American nominees were Nevada, Illinois and Massachusetts.

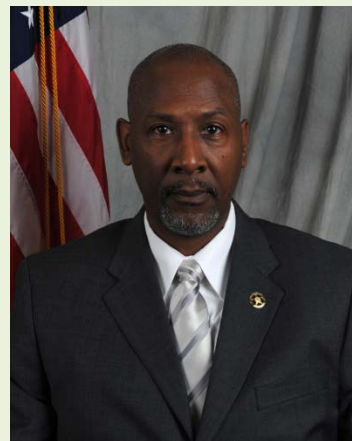
### North Carolina Get First Black Marshal



**Marshal Scott Parker**

Scott Parker was sworn in to be the U.S. Marshal for the Eastern District of North Carolina on June 17, 2010. Previously, Scott Parker was the Narcotics Division Commander of the Nash County, North Carolina, Sheriff's Office, where he rose to the rank of Lieutenant after joining in 1995. From 1989 to 1995, he was an Assistant Commander with the Roanoke Chowan Narcotics Task Force in Hertford County, North Carolina. Parker served with the Nashville, North Carolina, Police Department from 1987 to 1989.

### Southern District of Mississippi gets Second Black Marshal



**U.S. Marshal George White**

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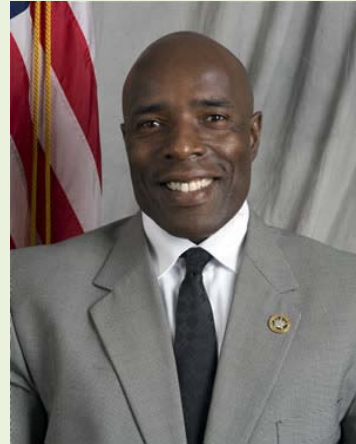
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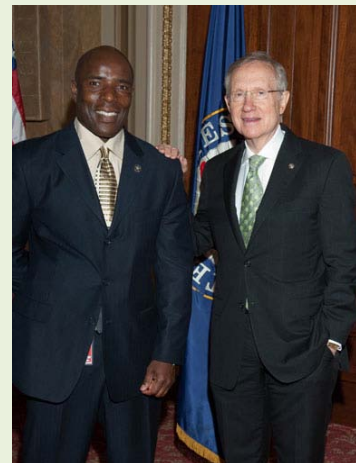
George White was sworn in as the United States Marshal for the Southern District of Mississippi on May 20, 2010.

Marshal White was the Director of the Commercial Driver's License Division and the Motor Carrier Safety Division for the State of Mississippi. He was with the Mississippi Department of Public Safety from 1980 until 2010, serving in several roles including as Director of the Driver Records Division, as an Examiner with the Driver's License Bureau, and as a Trooper with the Department's Enforcement Division. He was Mississippi's Trooper of the Year in 1988. In addition to extensive professional training, Marshal White received a Bachelor of Science degree from Alcorn State University in 2009.

### **Nevada Get it second African American Marshal**



**Marshal Christopher Hoye**



**Senator Reid and Marshal Hoye**

Reid congratulates Nevada's newly sworn-in U.S. Marshal, Chris Hoye.

Washington D.C.— Nevada Senator Harry Reid met with Chris Hoye, who

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was sworn in today in Washington as Nevada's new US Marshal. Reid nominated Hoye for the position because of his outstanding record of achievements in the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department.

"The U.S. Marshall Service tracks down and arrests more fugitives than all the other federal agencies combined," Reid said. "As the new U.S. Marshall for Nevada, Chris brings law enforcement experience and leadership to this important job. I look forward to working with Chris and all Nevada law enforcement officers to help them uphold the law and protect our communities."

During his time with Metro, Hoye rose to the rank of lieutenant, serving on the Mobile Crime Saturation Team and the Homeland Security Saturation Team, and was honored as police officer of the year, commissioner of the year and received the Metro PD award for leadership. As the U.S. Marshall in Nevada, Hoye is in charge of protecting and ensuring the effective operations of the federal judicial system in the state. He will be on the front line of security at Nevada's federal courthouses in Las Vegas and Reno. His other

responsibilities include assisting with fugitive investigations, transporting federal prisoners, protecting endangered federal witnesses, managing assets seized from criminal enterprises and directing special operations and programs.

### Marshal Service Highly Touted Co-Op College Hiring Program Produces First African American Marshal



#### *U. S. Marshal Darryl McPherson*

**Darryl McPherson was sworn in as the United States Marshal for the Northern District of Illinois on June 17, 2010.**

Previously, Darryl McPherson was employed by the Department of

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Justice working for the U.S. Marshals Service in Chicago as a Judicial Security Inspector. He has been with the Marshals Service since 1997. Mr. McPherson started as Deputy U.S. Marshal out of the Mobile, Alabama office until 1999 when he was promoted to his current position in Chicago. Mr. McPherson received his Bachelor of Science in Political Science from Spring Hill College in 1997.

*Gibbons Get Nod as President Obama's First African American Marshal Appointee*



*U.S. Marshal John Gibbons*

On January 13, 2010, John Gibbons was sworn in as the U.S. Marshal for the District of Massachusetts.

John Gibbons previously served as a Lieutenant with the Massachusetts State Police in Boston, Massachusetts. He joined the state police in 1979, rising through the ranks to Detective Lieutenant. Gibbons graduated with a Masters degree from American International College in 1979 and a Bachelor of Arts degree from American International College in 1978

*Richardson Get Marshal Job in Middle District of Georgia.*



**U.S. Marshal Willie Lee Richardson, Jr.**

Prior to his appointment to the position of U.S. Marshal for the Middle District of Georgia, Willie Richardson was a

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Supervisory Criminal Investigator for the United States Marshals Service. He joined the Service in 1989 and presently holds the rank of Supervisory Criminal Investigator. From 1986 to 1989, he was employed with the Lowndes County Sheriff's Office, Valdosta, Georgia, as a Deputy/Investigator. Mr. Richardson received an Associates Degree in Applied Science from the Community College of the Air Force in 1984, and served in the United States Air Force from 1981 to 1985.

#### **Washington officially becomes South Carolina U.S. Marshal**



FLORENCE — Hemingway native Kelvin Washington became the top federal law enforcement officer in the state Friday by taking the oath of office as U.S. Marshal.

Washington was nominated by President Obama in December and confirmed in March to serve as U.S. Marshal for the District of South Carolina.

Chief U.S. District Court Judge David C. Norton presided over the

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investiture ceremony at the McMillan Federal Building in Florence attended by his family, district court judges, local leaders and political figures.

Many people expressed heartfelt appreciation for the former Williamsburg County sheriff including his successor, Interim Sheriff Michael Johnson.

Johnson said he has worked with Washington for 12 years and learned a lot from him.

Washington is "a friend who I consider to be a brother I never had," Johnson said.

U.S. Congressman James Clyburn, who recommended Washington for the position along with U.S. Sen. Lindsay Graham and U.S. Congressman John Spratt, also conveyed warm wishes for the new appointee.

After taking the oath, Washington thanked his family for being present. He said he was reared by his mother and grandmother who were firm, believed in hard work and made him who is today.

Growing up, Washington said, he and his brother wanted to rest on

Saturdays and watch cartoons like other children, but his grandmother wouldn't have it.

"She said, 'There's no rest around here, you'll rest when you die. Get out there and work,'" he said, laughing.

During his life and career, Washington said, he's had people who criticized him.

"If I'd listened to some people, I would have still been a drum major, or a bad boy in Stuckey on the other side of Hemingway," he said.

Washington said there are several people in his life who have positively influenced him, such as his good friend, former U.S. Marshal for the District of South Carolina Israel Brooks.

Brooks, who was the first black state trooper and black U.S. Marshal in South Carolina, told Washington that he, too, could someday be a U.S. Marshal.

Washington wore a U.S. Marshal pin given to him by the late Brooks during his investiture.

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Washington said his wife, Patricia Washington, whom he called "the sweetest thing since Jesus," also aided him in becoming who is today.

Washington became the 11th Marshal since the merging of the districts in 1965, succeeding U.S. Marshal Johnny Mack Brown, former Greenville County sheriff who was nominated by President George W. Bush in 2002.

Established in 1789, the state was divided into two entities, the Eastern and Western districts, in 1823 after action by the U.S. Congress. In 1965, the Eastern and Western districts were once again joined and became the District of South Carolina of today.

Washington began his law enforcement career in 1990 at the Florence Police Department. He joined the Williamsburg County Sheriff's Office in 1993 and was elected sheriff in 1998, running as a Democrat. He also served as president of the S.C. Sheriff's Association for 2007-08.

He holds a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from American Intercontinental University and a

master's degree in criminal justice from Troy University. Washington has been an adjunct professor of criminal justice at Charleston Southern University since 2008 and has served as an adjunct professor at Horry-Georgetown Technical College since 2007, according to a press release issued earlier by the White House.

Washington lives in Hemingway with his wife and their three children, Courtney and twins Kelvin Jr. and Kelsey.

**Shreveport Louisiana Chief of Police Confirmed, by Senate for U. S. Marshal Position.**



**Marshal Whitehorn**

"During his 29 years with the Louisiana State Police, Chief Whitehorn excelled as Trooper, Narcotics Trooper, Sergeant,

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Lieutenant, Captain, Major, Lieutenant Colonel and finally Superintendent," Sen. Landrieu said. "Each of these positions allowed him to work in communities throughout the Western District, including Bossier City and Alexandria. Chief Whitehorn has had an outstanding career in public service in Louisiana, and he is beloved in the Western District. I know the citizens of Shreveport will be sad to see him leave as Police Chief, where he has served with such distinction. But his deep knowledge of criminal justice issues makes him the perfect candidate to serve our state and nation as U.S. Marshal for the Western District."

"As I enter this new phase in my law enforcement career, I must reiterate how honored I am by Senator Landrieu recommending me for U.S. Marshal of the Western District of Louisiana," said Whitehorn. "My subsequent nomination by President Barack Obama and confirmation by The United States Senate has truly humbled me and I stand ready to serve my President and my country. This has been a dream of mine for a long time and I consider it a privilege to serve in such a capacity. Over the past thirty five years, I have made

public service a top priority in my professional and personal life and I look forward to the challenges this new assignment.

## Alabama Chief Nominated by President Obama for the Position of U.S. Marshal.



**Chief Art Baylor**

President Barack Obama has nominated Montgomery Police Chief Art Baylor to a federal position.

From 1998-2004, Baylor worked for the Unified Judicial System as a Judicial Security Coordinator where he was the Deputy Marshal. He

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received his Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice in 1977 and a Master of Science degree in Criminal Justice in 1990 from Troy State University...

"The United States Marshal Service is the oldest law enforcement agency in America, tracing its origins to the early days of our Republic. They have a long and storied history and have a tremendous responsibility in protecting the federal court system and its officers, protecting witnesses, and apprehending federal fugitives. After he is confirmed, I know Art will honorably carry on this long tradition, ensuring that justice can be carried out through the federal court system.

"Though he will be greatly missed in the Montgomery Police Department, I join with thousands in the Montgomery area to congratulate Chief Baylor and wish him well in his new endeavor."