

JuDee Pettijohn Dawkins served as Deputy Secretary of State for the Office of Cultural, Historical and Information Programs for 9 years, retiring in 2012 after 36 years of service to the State of Florida. As Deputy Secretary, JuDee's responsibilities included the oversight of the administration, facilities, budget, grants and programs for the Divisions of Cultural Affairs, Historical Resources and Library & Information Services. Prior to her appointment as Deputy Secretary, JuDee served as Director of the Division of Cultural Affairs, Director of Professions at DBPR, Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer/Bureau Chief of Historic Preservation, Assistant Division Director of Cultural Affairs and Bureau Chief of Grants Services with Cultural Affairs. She also served through membership with SouthArts, Florida Alliance for Arts Education, the National Assembly of State Arts Agencies as well as multiple Board oversight responsibilities for the Florida Council on Arts & Culture, Florida Historical Commission, State Library Council, Florida Folklife Council, National Register Review Board, citizen support organizations, DBPR professional boards, and grant review panels for cultural and historical funding programs. JuDee holds an MLS from Florida State University and a BS from Ursinus College. She currently lives in Tallahassee with husband Jack and has two grown children pursuing their professional careers in Boston and Jacksonville.