

Kevin L. Boyce

Kevin L. Boyce was elected by the voters of Franklin County to serve as commissioner in 2016. Boyce brings experience as a State Representative, State Treasurer for Ohio and Columbus City Councilmember to the board of commissioners.

Boyce served as a State Representative for the 25th Ohio House District from May 2012 through 2016 where he served on the House Community and Family Advancement Committee, the Community and Family Advancement Subcommittee on Minority Affairs, House Finance Committee, House Finance Committee on Higher Education, House Rules and Reference Committee and the Controlling Board.

Prior to returning to public service as a state representative, Boyce served as the Managing Director for Rice Financial, a New York Investment banking firm that exclusively focused on assisting State, County, and City governments to finance capital projects.

Boyce has a long history of public service having previously served as a State Treasurer from 2009 to 2011. As State Treasurer, Boyce implemented a series of successful programmatic changes, through which, he reduced operating costs by 12 percent, slashed pension fund management fees by 63 percent, and launched the nation's first web training for treasurers' continued learning. His management of the institution earned him the distinguished partner award by the National Association of Securities Professionals. Boyce was also named Chairman of the Financial Literacy Committee for the National Association of State Treasurers.

Prior to his appointment as State Treasurer, Boyce served eight years as a member of the Columbus City Council, of which the last three he was elected as President Pro Tempore and served as Chairman of the Public Finance Committee. During his tenure on Council in Columbus (the 15th largest city in the nation, and the largest city in the country with a AAA Bond Rating from all three major bond rating agencies), he established a record of fiscal integrity, performance based budget practices, and oversaw the adoption of the city's \$1.3 billion dollar annual budget, which includes a capital budget of nearly \$400 million dollars for roadways, neighborhood development, and infrastructure improvements. Additionally, Boyce founded the Columbus Youth Commission, significantly expanded parkland and greenways, advocated for stronger civil rights laws, and championed job creation strategies that led to the creation or retention of over 20,000 jobs in central Ohio.

Boyce also served as Executive Director of KnowledgeWorks Ohio, a non-profit organization created with the mission of improving Ohio's school systems through public development and advocacy. During his tenure at KnowledgeWorks he was a part of a team that invested over \$100 million dollars in Ohio's public school systems, implementing cutting edge education models such as Project GRAD, Small Schools, and Early College.

Boyce has received many awards and honors, some of which include: Ebony Magazine's National Award "30 Leaders under 30;" the National Council of Negro Women's Community Service Award; The Society of Black Professionals' Achievement Award; the Outstanding Role Model Award from the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity; the Outstanding Public Service Award from the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity; the Outstanding Service Award from the Franklin County Democratic Party; served as a delegate to the 2004 and 2008 Democratic National Conventions; was selected as one of the United States Delegates to South Africa for



the American Council of Young Political Leaders; and was honored in 2009 by Wilberforce University with an Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree for his distinguished career in public service, commitment to community, and dedication to higher education.

Boyce earned a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science from University of Toledo and a Master's Degree in Public Administration from Central Michigan University. He is an active member of the historic St. Paul AME Church in Columbus, Ohio where he serves as a steward and is an active participant in activities for youth and young adults. Boyce and his wife Crystal have two sons, and reside in Columbus, Ohio.