



“Service is not a job. It is a way of life for me.”

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**COMMISSIONER FERREL BONNER ANNOUNCES CANDIDACY
FOR FORT BEND COUNTY JUDGE**

FORT BEND COUNTY, JULY 7, 2025 – Commissioner Ferrel Bonner has officially announced his candidacy for Fort Bend County Judge.

Ferrel currently serves as Commissioner, Fort Bend County Emergency Services District 7 (FBCESD7), providing health, welfare, emergency, and medical support to 35,000 residents, within a 37 square miles radius. He is a Husband, Father, and Grandfather who has resided in Fort Bend County for the past 21 years.

Commissioner Bonner was raised in the inner city of Houston, where he learned early that the key to success was understanding hard work, being consistent, the importance of education—studying hard and never giving up. This belief has shaped everything he does. He believes that we have a moral obligation to assist those who cannot help themselves. Every person deserves dignity and respect.

Throughout his life, he learned the value of leadership, teamwork, and common-sense solutions to everyday problems. His career spans well over 41 years of military service, civil service, political, and grassroots advocacy experience. This includes 20 years of Honorable Service in the Military to the country and for the past 21 years has proudly served this county as a public and community servant advocate—while working with mental health and wellness initiatives that benefit our most vulnerable populations of citizens: elderly, youth, and veterans. This shows his leadership and commitment to the citizens who have committed their support and entrusted their confidence in his ability to follow through in his advocacy for them. Now, he is ready to do more for the citizens of this county--*“I have Talked the Talk and Walked the Walk.”*

Commissioner Bonner understands that the County Judge serves everyone. He has always prioritized the needs of the people. For him, it is about People and Principles, above politics. His dedication to public service is not about personal gain or recognition; rather, it stems from his commitment to making a meaningful difference in the lives of his neighbors, communities, and country. With experience in Executive Level Management, Team Building, Military Intelligence, Cyber, Security Management, Emergency Management, Information Technology and Security, Civil Service, as well as Community and Veterans Advocacy--he is well prepared to lead this county.

Priorities

• **Leadership:** Engender trust through leading by example. Serving the entirety of the county with transparency and integrity. Ensure that the voices and ideas of citizens and communities are heard, respected, and represented. Being an Ambassador and Advocate for the county.

• **Safety & Security:** Strengthen relationships through partnerships and collaboration with our communities, stakeholders, and elected officials. Fight to secure adequate funding for our law enforcement and county departments. Leverage my background in Military Intelligence, Cybersecurity, IT, Security Management, and Emergency Management to improve the safety and security of our communities.

• **Infrastructure:** Work with county leaders to ensure secure infrastructure. Leverage my background in Security Management, Emergency Management, and Physical Security to improve community quality of life. Support smart development by including feedback from law enforcement, first responders, and considering environmental impacts before building.

• **Budget:** As our county continues to grow and develop, it is essential to maintain balanced growth within established budgetary limitations, consistently prioritizing initiatives that benefit or improve the quality of life for our citizens.

"Leadership and Service is always about doing the right things even when no one is looking, when there are no cameras, no profit, or when it isn't popular. It is not opportunistic or for power. It is about sharing lived experiences in service of others. Our County needs Proven, Committed, Leadership. As your Ambassador and Advocate, I will provide that leadership."

In service,
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