

Dr. Jenice Prather-Kinsey is running for Shelby County Commission, District 8. Her election would give the commission a member who is knowledgeable and experienced in leading large organizations with huge budgets, was for years head of a department in state government, and is dedicated to serving the needs of a diverse constituency.

A native of Kansas City, MO, Dr. Prather-Kinsey moved to Alabama in 2010, when she was named Full Professor of Accounting at UAB, after having been an accounting professor at the University of Missouri since 1984. Her areas of specialty are international accounting and cost/ managerial accounting. She was educated at Lindenwood University in Missouri and the University of Illinois and earned her PhD at the University of Alabama.

Dr. Prather-Kinsey is renowned world-wide for her publications in academic journals and has presented her research on every continent except Antarctica. She has been a visiting scholar in several countries and was the inaugural Sallie W. Dean Scholar at UAB.

When the state of Missouri passed gaming legislation, Dr. Prather Kinsey was tapped by the governor to establish the Missouri Gaming Commission. She served as the first state Senate-confirmed Gaming Commissioner of Missouri from 1993 – 1999.

She has served as board member, advisor, chair, and president of multiple national and global organizations related to the accountancy profession. She was treasurer for the Missouri United Methodist Church Foundation and is now on the Dream Team at Church of the Highlands. She was on the UAB and University of Missouri Athletic Advisory Boards and now serves on an American Accounting Association committee and on the Delta Inc. Board.

Dr. Prather-Kinsey and her husband have two sons, a daughter-in-law, and two grandchildren.