

Kathryn E. Starkey
Commissioner - District 3

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Mike Moore, District 2
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District 3
Mike Wells, District 4
Jack Mariano, District 5

Education:

- Certified County Commissioner
- Florida School Boards Association (FSBA) Certified Board Member (CBM)
- Florida School Boards Association (FSBA) Master Board (MB)
- Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL
- University of Madrid, Spain
- University of Santander, Spain
- Assumption School, Paris, France
- Pinellas Technical Education Center, FL
- South Miami High School, Miami, FL

Honors:

- Tampa Bay Organization Women in International Trade – *2017 International Person the Year Award*
- Upper Tampa Bay Manufacturing Association – *2016 Distinguished Manufacturing Service Award*
- NACo - *2016-2017 Leadership Award*
- Tri-County Trail Connection - *2014 Future of the Region Development/Infrastructure Award*
- Consortium of Education Foundations - *2008-2009 Florida School Board Member of the Year Award*
- FAC (Florida Association of Counties) – *2017 Presidential Advocate of the NFIP (National Flood Insurance Program)*
- Florida Recreation and State Parks Association - *Honorary Member*
- James P. Gills YMCA - *Community Award Winner*

Work Experience:

Pasco County Government

County Commissioner: Elected in 2012 to a four-year term and re-elected in 2016.

County Commission Chair (2015 to 2016 Term): The Board of County Commissioners is the legislative and policy-making body of County government. The five members of the Board are elected Countywide from all districts. The Board appoints the County Administrator and the County Attorney and confirms the appointment of department heads. We establish policy and make all budget decisions with regard to appropriate of funds to County Departments, Divisions and some Constitutional Officers. The County Commission provides updates on the budget and other important matters.

Florida School Board

- Executive Committee (2008-2010)
- Board of Directors (2006-2010)
- Florida School Boards Association (FSBA)

Old Port Capital, LLC, Tampa, FL

Senior Advisor: 2006 - Present

Starkey Land Company, Odessa, FL

Government/Public Relations: 1999 - 2012

Bridgeton Publishing

Marketing Director: 1989-1992

Interior Designer: 1985-1989

Community Experience:

Pasco County Commission Representative

Current:

- AmSkills - American Manufacturing Skills Initiative - *Co-Founder*
- Canvassing Board
- Gulf Coast Consortium Committee
- FAC (Florida Association of Counties)
 - Federal Committee – *Policy Leader*
- Florida Chamber of Commerce Foundation
- Florida Commission on Status of Women
- NACO (National Association of County Officials)
 - Community, Economic and Workforce Development Steering Committee - *Vice Chair*
 - International Economic Task Force Committee - *Chair*
- National Cyber Partnership
- Pasco Economic Development Council
 - International Committee - *Founder and Chair*
 - Talent Pipeline Task Force
- Pasco-Hernando Workforce Board
- RESTORE Act Advisory Committee
- Tampa Bay Estuary Program
- Tampa Bay Partnership
- Pasco Tourist Development Council – *Chair*

Previous:

- Career Technical Education Foundation (2008-2012)
- Citizens Advisory Committee (Comprehensive Land Use Plan) EAR - *Vice Chair District 4 (2003-2005)*
- FAC (Florida Association of Counties)
 - Board of Directors - *Board Member & “At-Large” Representative (2013 to 2017)*
- Florida Humanities Council – *Board Member (Appointed by Governor Rick Scott - 2012-2015)*
- Florida State Greenways and Trails Council (2002-2012)
- NACO (National Association of County Officials)
 - Community, Economic and Workforce Development Steering Committee – (2016-2017)
 - International Economic Task Force Committee – *Vice Chair (2016-2017)*
- Pasco Building Association – *2001-2006; Board of Directors (2001-2004)*
- Pasco County Citizens Ordinance Review Committee (1997-2002)
- Pasco County School Board – *Chair (2004-2010; Elected 2004 & re-elected without opposition in 2008)*
- Pasco Education Foundation – *Dream Builder Society/Cinderella Ball Co-Chair (2008 & 2009)*
- Pinellas-Anclote River Basin Board of the Southwest Florida Water Management District (*Appointed twice by Governor Bush - 2002-2009*).
- Tampa Bay Political Leadership Institute (2011-2012)
- Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council

Community

- All Children’s Hospital – *Board of Directors (2012-2015)*
- All Children’s Hospital Guild of New Port Richey - *Founding Member & Past President (1993-2016)*
- Celebration Pasco – *Founder & Executive Board Member*
- Citizens for Scenic Florida - *Executive Board Member*
- Citizens for Scenic Pasco - *Founder*
- Community Water Leadership Program, University of South Florida 2003
- Florida School Boards Association (FSBA) Task Force for Education Innovation – *Chair (2007-2008)*
- Greater Pasco Chamber of Commerce
- Leadership Pasco - *Class of 2000 - Vice President & Board Member (2000-2002)*

- Leadership Tampa Bay - *Class of 2002*
- Lighthouse for the Visually Impaired and Blind – *Chasco Coronation Court 2000*
- Miracles for Pasco - *2017*
- One Bay 2007
- Pasco 2100 - *Co-Founder*
- Red Cross of Tampa Bay - *Board of Directors (2006-2012)*
- Suncoast Corridor Advocacy Group for Scenic Highway Designation - *Vice Chair*
- Trinity-Odessa Chamber of Commerce
- Wachovia Community Bank - *Advisory Board Member (2006 to 2010)*
- Wesley Chapel Chamber of Commerce
- West Pasco Chamber of Commerce
- West Pasco Family YMCA Sustaining Campaign/Adopt a Child - *1997*
- Youth Soccer Coach (*2004-2006*)
- Cheerleading Coach – Pop Warner League
- East Lake Little League - *Board of Directors (1996-1997)*

Kathryn E. Starkey was elected to the Pasco Board of County Commissioners in 2012 and re-elected in 2016, now serving her second term, representing District 3. She served as Chairman of the Board from November 2015 to November 2016.

Born in California, Kathryn lived in many places while growing up, including Arizona, Illinois, Iowa, Indiana, Dominican Republic, Venezuela, France and Spain before choosing Florida as her home. A professional business woman and mother of four children, Kathryn has lived in Pinellas and Pasco counties since 1983. She is a member of a pioneer Tampa Bay family, well known for its commitment to the community, who possess a successful, proven record and remains dedicated to working for improvements in education, the environment, and economic development.

Kathryn is actively involved with developing foreign direct investment between Europe and South America with Pasco County and has conducted highly successful international trade workshops resulting in positive outcomes for local businesses in their efforts to learn how to export. In addition, she has developed solid networking connections between the Tampa Bay area and International elected foreign officials.

She is co-founder and a current Board Member of AmSkills (American Manufacturing Skills Initiative), a Regional initiative, emulating the German Apprenticeship Model, designed to prepare high school students, adults and veterans for a career in advanced manufacturing. Upon successful completion, qualified students are placed with local manufacturers in an Apprenticeship role throughout the Tampa Bay area, resulting in growth of local businesses. AmSkills is the first advanced manufacturing apprenticeship of its kind in Florida and the only program in the country that starts with the pre-apprenticeship model. The program serves as a recruiting tool to encourage international businesses to come to the Tampa Bay area. In addition, Kathryn served on the Pasco County Citizens Ordinance Review Committee from 1997-2001, the Pasco County School Board, to which she was elected in 2004 and re-elected without opposition in 2008, and served as Chair from 2004-2010. She is also a strong supporter of the Pasco Education Foundation Dream Builder Society/Cinderella Ball and served as co-chair in 2008 & 2009.

Kathryn has led four (4) economic development trips to Austria, Germany and Switzerland, and attended one (1) in Peru, proudly promoting the AmSkills program. Each trip led to the establishment of international business in Pasco County and provided opportunities for international apprenticeship exchanges. In addition, she co-presented the AmSkills program at the 2015 Pathways to Prosperity conference held at Harvard University and also at the 2017 NACo (National Association of County Officials) Annual Conference for the Community, Economic & Workforce Development Steering Committee, in addition to the International Economic Task Force.

Kathryn remains an annual host of the German Exchange Program with students of IGS Kandel and area high schools. She also participated in Visit to Apprenticeship 2000 in Charlotte, NC. An award winning organization formed to offer technical career opportunities to motivated high school students and employment after graduation. They were the first to host European Apprentice Training Programs in the country.

Kathryn has been married to Trey Starkey for over 25 years and has four adult children and one grandson. Her hobbies include biking, crafts and traveling.