

Mitchell Michael "Bo" Asmar, Jr.

Announces Candidacy for Ward 3 Council

Bo was born in Laurel on Feb 4th, 1951 to Mitchell M. and Marie Asmar, the second of six children. The Asmar family lived on Garden drive until 1965 when they moved to their new family home on University Ave., both addresses being located within Ward 3.

Bo graduated from R. H. Watkins High School in 1969 then attended Mississippi State University to earn a degree in Business, graduating in 1973. Upon graduation from State, Bo moved to Houston, Texas and worked as a Revenue Accounting Manager for Progress Drilling and Marine from 1973 until 1978.

While in Houston, Bo met Kathleen Martin, daughter of Tom and Jan Martin, originally from Chicago, IL. Bo and Kathy were married in Houston in 1977. In 1978 Bo and Kathy returned to Laurel so Bo could manage his family's moving and storage business, and the couple have resided in Laurel since that time, with their home being located in Ward 3.

Bo and Kathy are the parents of four children, Michael, Elizabeth, Eric, and John Philip. John Philip is presently a junior at Laurel High School. The three older children are all graduates of the Laurel Public School System. Bo and Kathy are also proud grandparents to Clare and Riley Ann.

Bo and his family are members of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church. Bo has served as member of the Immaculate Conception School Advisory Council.

Business Experience

Bo owns and manages All-American Transfer and Storage, Pickering Cleaners, Village Cleaners, A-Great Check Cashing Company, and a number of commercial and residential properties all of which are located in

Laurel/Jones County. These businesses employ approximately 30 people on a full-time basis.

Bo has extensive experience in the management of various types of businesses and has a good understanding of all that is required to own and operate a commercial enterprise. He is well experienced in matters concerning management of personnel, and has a detailed knowledge of applicable Federal, State, and local regulations, preparation of budgets and forecasting, development of business plans, and making the daily decisions required in the operation of a viable, successful business. Each of Bo's businesses have managers in place that are experienced in handling operations on a daily basis, which will allow Bo the flexibility to invest the time and energy required to fulfill his obligation.

Positions and offices held:

- Served as City appointed representative to the Jones County Economic Development Authority
- Served 4 year term as City of Laurel Election Commissioner
- 40year Member of the Laurel Sertoma Club, serving in various capacities. Currently serving on the Board and as T-Ball Program Director.
- Served on the Laurel Little Theater Board, as well as participated in numerous productions
- Served as Central Director of the Mississippi Movers Conference
- Served as a member of the Pine Burr Area Council Boy Scouts Fundraising Committee
- Avid supporter and member of the Laurel Tornado Touchdown Club
- Board Member and Past President of the Laurel/Jones County Property Owners Association
- Proud Supporter of the Mississippi State Bulldog Club and the Southern Miss Eagle Club