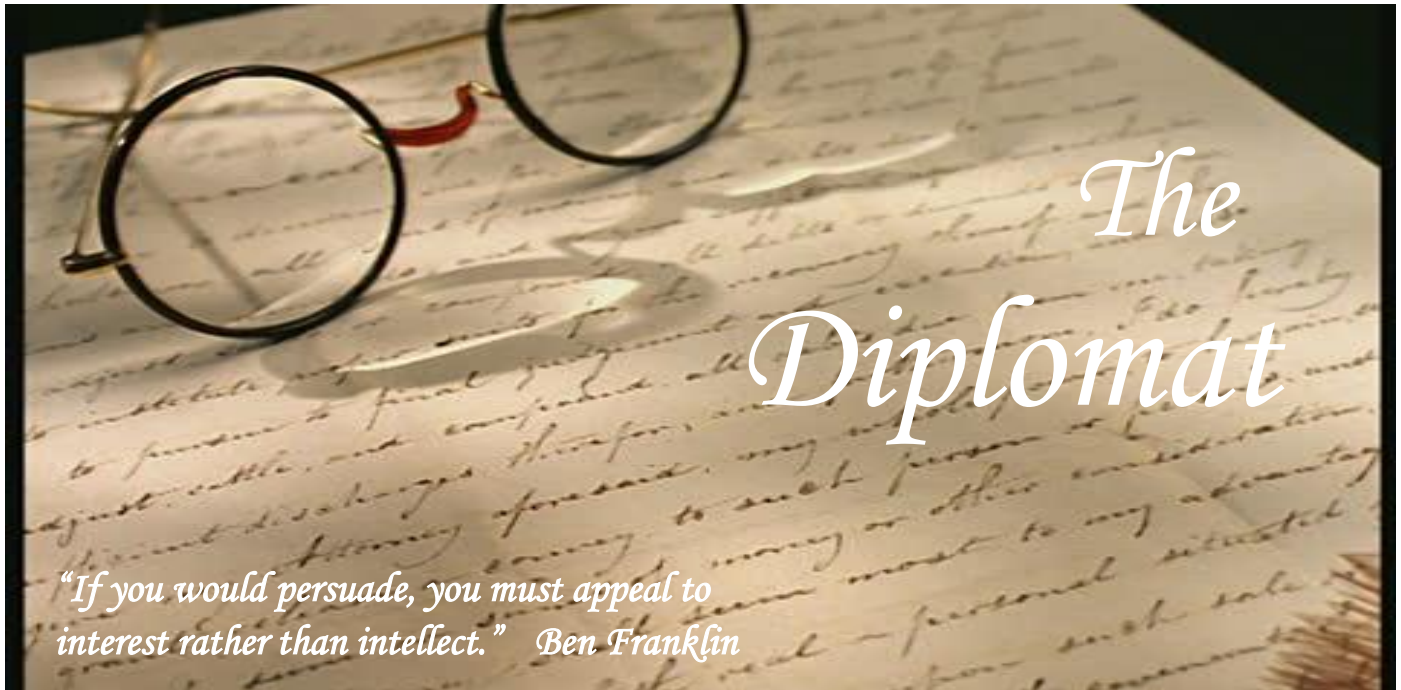


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Governor Removes Elliot from Committee

Governor Kay Ivey appointed State Senator Vivian Davis Figures (D- Mobile) to serve on the Alabama Transportation Rehabilitation and Improvement Program-II Committee replacing State Senator Chris Elliot(R-Fairhope), who opposed the Mobile Bay toll bridge project that was supported by the Governor. Ivey pointed to Figures track record of seeking progress and bringing people together, along with being the most senior senator from the Mobile/Baldwin County Delegation. Elliot is a freshman legislator from Baldwin County and Figures has served in the State Senate since 1997. This committee is charged with reviewing and awarding of grants for eligible road and bridge projects.

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NEW HIRE

Brooks McClendon, who has spent the past five years at Manufacture Alabama as Director of Membership, has joined the Governor's staff as the liaison to the Senate. He will work with William Filmore who was recently appointed the Director of Legislative Affairs for the Governor's office. A House Liaison has yet to be named.

ELECTION UPDATES

Montgomery Run-off & Congressional

The race to become Montgomery's next mayor is down to two candidates with the winner to be declared next Tuesday. Montgomery Probate Judge Steven Reed will face Montgomery businessman David Woods in a runoff to be held October 8th. Reed led the crowded twelve-candidate field last month with 43 percent of the vote. Woods finished second with 23 percent. Reed is vying to become Montgomery's first black mayor.

Former Attorney General Troy King, Dothan businessman Jeff Coleman, State Rep. Will Dismukes of Prattville, and former State Rep. Barry Moore of Enterprise have all announced they are seeking the Republican nomination in the 2nd District to replace Congresswoman Martha Roby, who isn't seeking a sixth term.

Also considering jumping into the race is Prattville attorney Jessica Taylor, wife of former State Senator and current General Counsel for the Governor, Bryan Taylor. Others being mentioned as possible candidates are former Prattville Mayor Jim Byard, who served as ADECA director under Gov. Bentley and former Congressman Bobby Bright. Bright was defeated by Roby in 2010 and lost to her again last year in an attempt to regain his old seat.



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