



Senator JaNice Van Ness
Senate District 43

Senator JaNice Van Ness is a civic leader who loves to serve her community and looks forward to advocating for residents and business owners in Senate District 43. The District includes parts of Dekalb, Rockdale, and Newton Counties. She has been a business owner for over 25 years and is very involved with the Chamber of Commerce and Rotary Club. Her experience in the private sector has been as the Founder of Peachtree Academy Private School and Early Childhood Centers, which now has three campuses in Rockdale and Newton Counties. Her thriving business and passion for education have helped her expand the school and achieve SACS accredited Private School campus in Covington, GA, which opened August 16, 2010 for Pre-Kindergarten through High School. As a visionary business owner, she serves as the Chief Financial Officer and has managed budgets, planning and human resources, understanding the business friendly environment that is needed to create jobs and help businesses grow and flourish.

Sen. Van Ness earned her Bachelor's degree in Political Science / International Relations with a double minor in business from Auburn University and her Associates of Arts and Sciences degree from Oxford College of Emory University.

Sen. Van Ness is a fourth generation native of Rockdale County and is the daughter of Steve and Carolyn Frey. She has been married for over 17 years to Ken Van Ness and they are the proud parents of three children: Lawson, Samantha, and Emerson Elise. They have been active members of Rockdale Baptist Church since 2005.

Sen. Van Ness is involved with several community activities and programs and serves on the Rockdale Emergency Relief Board, Rockdale Rotary Club, Hands Across Atlanta Host Committee, Rockdale Republican Party and is an active member in the Conyers – Rockdale Chamber of Commerce. Sen. Van Ness was awarded the distinguished 2004 Jerry Barboe Small Business Award from the Conyers-Rockdale Chamber of Commerce. She is also a graduate of the Regional Leadership Institute, Leadership Rockdale, Leadership Newton, and Leadership Fayette. Additionally, she is a graduate of the Atlanta Regional Commissions' Leadership Institute and has participated in the Georgia Academy for Economic Development.

She is available to speak at community functions and / or with citizens by calling her directly at 770-356-7301 or by email at janice@janicevanness.com.



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