

Department of Veterans Affairs
CARES Commission
Capital Asset Realignment for Enhanced Services

AUGUST 26, 2003
BILOXI HEARING (VISN 16)
WITNESS LIST

10:00 AM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Major Ernest Brant
OPENING REMARKS: Commissioner Charles Battaglia

PANEL #1

The Honorable Artur Davis, US House of Representatives *(no written testimony provided)*

PANEL #2

Robert Lynch MD, Director, VISN 16, accompanied by
Ms. Julie A. Catellier, VA Gulf Coast Veterans Health Care System, Biloxi, MS
Mr. Richard J. Baltz, VAMC Director, Jackson, MS
Mr. John D. Church, Jr., VAMC Director, New Orleans, LA

PANEL #3

Congressman Jeff Miller, US House of Representatives,
speaking on his behalf is Ms. Helen Walker
Congressman Gene Taylor, US House of Representatives *(no written testimony provided)*
speaking on his behalf is Mr. Beau Gex
Senator Bill Nelson, United States Senate
speaking on his behalf is Mr. Jeff Scarpiello
Congressman David Vitter, United States House of Representatives
speaking on his behalf is Ms. Peggy Breland

PANEL #4

Mr. Timothy Hicks, Paralyzed Veterans of America
Mr. Dennis Moody, Disabled American Veterans
Mr. Adrian Grace, Mississippi State Veterans Affairs Board *(no written testimony provided)*
Mr. Rocky McPherson, Executive Director, Florida Department of Veterans Affairs
(no written testimony provided)
Mr. Joe Levy, The American Legion *(unable to attend)*

PANEL #5

General David Young, Hospital Commander, Keesler AFB, Biloxi, MS
(no written testimony provided)
Captain Richard Buck, Commanding Officer, Pensacola Naval Hospital, Pensacola Florida
(no written testimony provided)
Colonel Gary S. Forthman, Commander, Eglin AFB Hospital *(unable to appear)*