

**The Honorable Gerald "Gerry" Hyland
Supervisor, Fairfax County, VA
Board Member, National Association of Counties**

Gerry Hyland was first elected to the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors (BOS) in the fall of 1987 and began the first of six terms of office in January 1988. Gerry represents the Mount Vernon District, where he has been a homeowner since 1969. Prior to becoming a Member of the BOS, Gerry's public service included sitting on the Board of Zoning Appeals from 1980-1987, the Board of United Community Ministries from 1981-1987 including a term as President, and on the Fairfax County Human Rights Commission from 1978-1982, including a term as Chairman.

As the senior member of the Board of Supervisors, Gerry serves as the Co-chair of the Community Revitalization and Reinvestment Committee, which he also co-founded, and is the Chairman of the Public Safety Commission. Other Committees on which he sits include: 50+, Budget Policy, Development Process, Economic Advisory, Environmental, Housing and Community Development, Human Services, Information Technology, Legislative, Personnel and Reorganization, and Transportation.

On a regional level, Gerry Chairs the Alexandria Interjurisdictional Committee, and sits on the Interjurisdictional Committees for the District of Columbia, Prince William, and Fort Belvoir/BRAC Board of Advisors. Gerry is also a member of the Inova Health Care Services Board. Due to his efforts in spearheading a community-wide campaign, the Inova Health Care System backed out of their plan to close Inova Mount Vernon Hospital, and it is now a growing and profitable hospital that serves a vibrant community.

Gerry serves on several committees of the Washington Metropolitan Council of Governments, including the Chesapeake Bay and Water Resources Policy Committee, the Committee on Airport Noise Abatement, and the Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Committee. He has also been involved with the Transportation Coordinating Council, and a very active member of the Woodrow Wilson Bridge Improvement Study Coordinating Committee, which resulted in the replacement of an old and failing bridge with a new double-span, state of the art drawbridge structure that not only improves the flow of traffic but is also architecturally appropriate for its historic surroundings. In addition, Gerry has been a member of the Transportation Coordinating Council, the Virginia Railway Express, the Northern Virginia Transportation Commission, and the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority.

At the state level, Gerry was appointed to the Virginia History Initiative, the Commission on Population, Growth and Development, and the Local Government Advisory Committee for the Chesapeake Bay. He is active in the Virginia Association of Counties (VACo), where he has served on the Board of Directors as President, and where he currently represents Fairfax County. At VACo, Gerry has served on the Chesapeake Bay Technical Advisory Committee, the Chesapeake Bay Local Assistance Department Advisory Committee, the Communications and Public Relations Committee, the Telecommunications Task Force, and the Planning, Public Works and National Resources Committee.

Nationally, Gerry is a member of the National Association of Counties (NACo) Board of Directors, where he represents the Commonwealth of Virginia through his appointment by VACo. Gerry is currently a member of the Finance Committee and the Programs and Services Committee. He has sat on a number of other NACo committees and task forces in the past, including: the Task Force on Governance, the Family Economic Success Advisory Committee, the Early Childhood Development Task Force, the Homeland Security Task Force, the Financial Services Center, the Audit Committee, the Investment Policy Task Force, the Agriculture and Rural Affairs Steering Committee, and the Environment, Energy and Land Use Steering Committee.

Gerry was a Charter Board Member of the Public Entity Risk Institute (PERI) and continued to sit on that Board until his three-term limit was reached in 2003.

Gerry was born and raised in Massachusetts and attended school at the College of the Holy Cross where he received a BS in Economics in 1959. He then moved to Northern Virginia and attended Georgetown University Law Center where he received his LLB in 1962. He then served more than six years of active duty in the United States Air Force. In 1969 he earned a Master of Law in Taxation from the George Washington School of Law. He continued to serve as a reserve officer in the Air Force until his retirement as a Colonel with 30 years of service.

Gerry is a Member of the Bar in Virginia, the District of Columbia, and Massachusetts. He owns a private law practice, Hyland and Hyland. Gerry also owns a working farm on the eastern shore of Virginia.