## **Biography: Louisiana Secretary of State Kyle Ardoin**

Kyle Ardoin is Louisiana's 44th Secretary of State. A resident of Baton Rouge, Secretary Ardoin was elected on Dec. 8, 2018. He brings a wealth of knowledge to the office having served as interim Secretary of State from May 2018 until his election, and First Assistant Secretary of State for eight years prior to that. Secretary Ardoin previously served as President of the National Association of Secretaries of State, currently serves on the Election Infrastructure Subsector Government Coordinating Council, and became a Certified Elections Registration Administrator in 2021. He brings to the office more than 30 years of experience working in both the private and public sectors.

Secretary Ardoin has a diverse background, including starting his own association management and lobbying firm, which specialized in health care and educational services. He also has extensive experience in state government having worked for the Louisiana House of Representatives, served as a gubernatorial appointment on the Capital Area Human Services District and served on the Health Care Reform Commission before his service as First Assistant Secretary of State. Additionally, he was elected to and served four years on the West Baton Rouge Parish School Board.

Secretary Ardoin is married to the former Letti Lowe of Port Allen and has a daughter, Abbigale and grandson, J.J. The Ardoins are members of St. Aloysius (AL-oh-ISH-əs) Catholic Church in Baton Rouge.