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## NEWS RELEASE

### THE LOUISIANA RETAILERS ASSOCIATION ELECTS BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

July 25, 2012– The Louisiana Retailers Association elected the 2012-2013 Board of Directors and Officers at the Annual Membership Meeting in Lake Charles on July 17.

**Newly elected directors include:**

- Cal Simpson, Blue Bell Creameries. Baton Rouge, LA
- Bob Smith, Albertsons Market. Fort Worth, TX

**The following directors were re-elected:**

- Roy Amedee, Winn-Dixie. New Orleans, LA
- David Caplan, Caplan's Inc. Alexandria, LA
- Angela Hoover, Walgreen Co. Deerfield, IL
- Joey Bethancourt, Sears Holdings, Inc. Lafayette, LA
- Gary Huddleston, The Kroger Co. Irving, TX
- Bud Dunaway, Baton Rouge Coca-Cola. Baton Rouge, LA
- Neal Whitson, J.C. Penney. Baton Rouge, LA
- Brian Bernard, Associated Grocers. Baton Rouge, LA
- Roger Mayes, Louisiana Nursery. Baton Rouge, LA
- Paul Imbrone, Macy's Inc. Miami, FL
- Chad Guidry, Brookshire Brothers. Sulphur, LA
- Ali Malik, Target. Lafayette, LA
- Brian Hudson, The Home Depot. Atlanta, GA
- Buddy Gossom. Sunshine, LA
- Marcy LeBlanc, LeBlanc's Food Stores. Gonzales, LA
- Ginger Clarke, Clarkes Jewelers. Shreveport, LA

**Elected officers include:**

- Chairman Jason Cooper, Brookshire Grocery Company. Tyler, TX
- Vice Chairman David McLemore, McLemore Enterprises. Winnsboro, LA
- Secretary Mark Csintyan, Best Buy Co. Covington, LA
- Treasurer Ricky Landry, Zuppardo's Supermarket. Metairie, LA

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