

Verda W. Toussaint was born in Beaumont, Texas to Joseph Junius Washington and Mary Lou Toussaint. At the age of five, she move to Opelousas, Louisiana where she grew up until the age of thirteen. In 1988, Ms. Toussaint moved to Austin, Texas complete her education by attending Lyndon Baines Johnson High School Science Academy. In 1999, Ms. Toussaint received her Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration and Management from Huston-Tillotson College. She later continued her education by receiving a Master of Business Administration in 2010 from the University of Phoenix.

Since 2001, Ms. Toussaint has worked in the financial field and has held many accounting positions in both the private and public sectors. She first became exposed to the criminal system while holding a position at The Geo Group as the Assistant Warden of Finance and Administration at the Karnes County Correctional Center. After years of experience in the financial field, Ms. Toussaint started Vertuous Accounting Services, where she specializes in helping small to medium-sized business with all of the financial needs. In her spare time, she also teaches a Bookkeeping and Health Information Technology class through Career Boosters in conjunction with the Texas Workforce Center and Goodwill programs.

For the past eleven years Ms. Toussaint has been a member of Greater Mount Zion Baptist Church, where Gaylon C. Clark is the lead pastor. She became involved with the Texas Inmate Families Association (TIFA) in 2014 as a Board Member to assist in helping the organization with its financial needs. Ms. Toussaint's other volunteer services include:

Associate Matron, Rose of Sharon #29 Order of the Eastern Star, Deborah Grand Chapter

Board Member, New Life Alliance

Professional Member, National Association of Black Accountants