

First Election

Tuesday
March 19
2019

KRAFT FOR PROPERTY APPRAISER



Kurt Kraft

General Election

Tuesday
May 14
2019

OVER 33 YEARS
APPRAISAL EXPERIENCE

— **NEW LEADERSHIP** —

My name is Kurt Kraft and I am a candidate for Duval County Property Appraiser in the Spring Election of 2019. I have worked for the Duval County Property Appraiser's Office for over **33** years. I have served in a variety of positions at the Duval County Property Appraiser's Office, including residential appraiser, commercial appraiser, and income producing appraiser.

I will stack my credentials up against anyone running for the elected position of Property Appraiser in the community. The current Property Appraiser is Gerald D. Holland, aka Jerry Holland. It is public knowledge that Jerry Holland's goal is to be re-elected as Property Appraiser in 2019. **I, Kurt Kraft, have over 33 years appraisal experience. Jerry Holland will be approaching 4 years as Property Appraiser.** Jerry Holland's public service to Duval County is questionable. Since Jerry Holland has been Property Appraiser, his office has been investigated by U.S. Department of Labor, Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE), City of Jacksonville, Office of Inspector General, City of Jacksonville, Human Rights Commission, and the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC).

This is **not** the kind of leadership we're looking for in the Duval County Property Appraiser's Office. **We** deserve better. I have spent my career devoted to fair and honest evaluation of all property for all the citizens of Duval County, and also our business community. Not only for the greater good of our community at large, but also out of a sense of pride in true public service. The people of Duval County deserve no less.

Kurt Kraft, will bring to the office of the Property Appraiser's Office, the following:

1. **Fair Assessments = Fair Taxes for YOU !**
2. Transparency, honesty, integrity, and fiscal responsibility.
3. **Kurt Kraft, will put in 40 hour plus work weeks. Jerry Holland's personal parking garage card activity (payroll deducted) print out of electronic entry/exit, when calculated is approximately 24 hours per week average, garage times, for the time span, 10-31-2016 thru 6-23-2017, which is 34 block weeks, week day (M-F) period. The parking garage is connected to the office building that has the Property Appraiser's Office. The Property Appraiser's Office has its own fleet of vehicles for official business, no personal vehicles needed. **The job of Property Appraiser, pays about \$153,000 a year.****
4. **Public records will not be deleted by employees.**
5. Proven Leadership, both corporate and civic.
6. **Kurt Kraft, over 33 years of appraisal experience with the Duval County Property Appraiser's Office.**
7. Cutting edge technology to provide better service to you.
8. Everyone in the public will be able to take a "test" for the bulk of entry level job openings into the Property Appraiser's Office, unlike now, where it appears **no testing is used at all.**
9. **No** more calendars at about, **\$9.47 each.** The dollar store sells them for **\$1.07 each.** I will cut the price of lodging in **about half** for all employees who go out of town for educational purposes. Only economy or budget hotels will be allowed. No hotel at **\$159 a night !** No excessive travel tolerated.
10. **I will close and board up the private shower that was installed after Jerry Holland became Property Appraiser, in July 1, 2015, in his individual office restroom, within his individual administrative office, in Suite/Room 270, at the Property Appraiser's Office. **NO SHOWERS !!!****
11. Education, Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA, Major, Real Estate) Kent State University.
12. Florida Real Estate Broker's License. Voluntary Inactive.
13. Please call me 24/7, (904) 885-7883, anytime.

Thanks for your support ! Thanks for your vote on **March 19, 2019.**

Sincerest regards,

Kurt Kraft, BBA *Kurt Kraft*

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WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW

about Property Appraiser Jerry Holland's term in office.

AND WHY WE NEED NEW LEADERSHIP.

1. Since **Jerry Holland** has been Duval County Property Appraiser, starting July 1, 2015, **his office** has been investigated by the **U.S. Department of Labor**, **The Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE)**, the City of Jacksonville, **Office of Inspector General**, the City of Jacksonville, **Human Rights Commission**, and the **U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC)**.

2. A review of **Jerry Holland's electronic, personal parking garage card activity** (payroll deducted), print out of entry/exit, when calculated is approximately **24 hours per week average**, garage times, for the time span 10-31-2016 thru 6-23-2017, which is 34 block weeks, week day (M-F) period. The parking garage is connected to the building that has the Property Appraiser's Office. The **Property Appraiser's Office has its own fleet of vehicles for official business, no personal vehicles needed.** The Property Appraiser's job pays about **\$153,000** a year. The public can obtain the same **public records request** that I, Kurt Kraft received, in reference to the above parking garage card activity. Contact in person: City of Jacksonville, Customer Service Center, at 214 N. Hogan St., Suite 1180, 1st Floor, Ed Ball Building, Jacksonville, Florida. Request: hard copy, **2017-180522**. There is a total of **10 pages**, including a cover sheet. There is NO cost.

3. **After Jerry Holland became Property Appraiser** on July 1, 2015, there was a **private shower** installed in **Jerry Holland's individual office restroom**, within his individual administrative office, in the Property Appraiser's Office, located at 231 E. Forsyth Street, Suite/Room 270, Jacksonville, Florida. As your next Property Appraiser, I will **close and board up the shower stall**. Kurt Kraft says, **NO SHOWERS** at the Property Appraiser's Office !!!

4. Holland, Gerald Donald has a "**Current, Active**" "**Real Estate Broker or Sales**" license as of 3-15-2018, according to Florida DBPR Online Services. **Question. Is this a conflict of interest while being Property Appraiser ?**

5. **Jerry Holland's travel folder**, in **2 and a half years** (July 1, 2015 thru December 31, 2017), from the Duval County Property Appraiser's Office, has **over 300 pages**, approximately **12 trips** on different occasions, were **taken by Jerry Holland** outside of Duval County, Florida. **Kurt Kraft says, this is excessive !!!**

6. **In my sworn affidavit, Jerry Holland admitted** to me parking **his boat trailer** on the Supervisor of Elections property in the past. However, I have **no** knowledge of **any payment** to the City for that trailer storage. I was given a photo of a boat trailer on the Supervisor of Elections property by a citizen, taken in 2012. Kurt Kraft says there are plenty of **private storage yards** for rent !!!

7. The public, 2017 Property Record Card (PRC) of "HOLLAND GERALD D ET AL," parcel, RE # 167128-5200, the Duval County Property Appraiser's Office, lists a "Dock Wood Light Wgt" and a "Boat Cover" on this **Queens Harbour Yacht & Country Club** house parcel. According to the Duval County Property Appraiser's Office website (aerial), **there appears to be NO dock or boat cover on this parcel**. So where's the dock and where's the boat cover ???

8. Jerry Holland has contracted with a private **for profit company**, Tax Management Associates, Inc. (TMA), for non-compliance of homestead properties. As of March 19, 2018, there are **only two (2) counties** in Florida that TMA is currently doing active research for non-compliance of homestead properties. Duval County is one (1) of those counties. There are 67 counties in the State of Florida. Kurt Kraft will eliminate this company and bring the work back to the Property Appraiser's Office where it belongs. And **save** the taxpayers money !!!

9. Some employees of the Property Appraisers Office have annual evaluations, and some do not. **Where is the transparency ?** As your next Property Appraiser, Kurt Kraft says everyone will get an annual evaluation.

10. **Age discrimination complaints** filed with the City of Jacksonville, Human Rights Commission, and U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC), against Jerry Holland's Property Appraiser's Office.

11. **Jerry Holland's supervisors** of the Property Appraiser's Office, have **deleted** instant messages. The Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) and the City of Jacksonville, Office of Inspector General have investigated the instant messages. Some of the instant messages said, "**Please delete this message and you know nothing about it if it comes up.**" or "**THIS MESSAGE WILL SELF DESTRUCT IN FIVE SECONDS.**" or "**I have deleted the messages.**" What are you trying to hide from the public ? Is **this** what we get for our property taxes ? And why should we believe **anything** that comes out of this office ???