

Bobby N. Vassar

Assistant to the President, Bay Aging (part-time)

Mr. Vassar recently retired from a long career in law related activities with extensive experience in policy development and implementation at the state and federal level in the areas of criminal justice, human services and children services. Most recently, he served as Chief Counsel to the Minority for the U.S. House Judiciary Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism and Homeland Security. Before that, he served as Senior Counsel and Legislative Director to Congressman Bobby Scott from Virginia.

Prior to working in Congress, Mr. Vassar worked for three Virginia Governors, serving as Acting Secretary /Deputy Secretary for Health and Human Resources, Deputy Commissioner of the State Department of Social Services, and Chairman of the Virginia Parole Board. He also served as President of the Association of Paroling Authorities and as a member of the Virginia Criminal Sentencing Guidelines Commission. Prior to his service in state government, he worked as Executive Director of the Peninsula Legal Aid Society in Eastern Virginia and as Senior Assistant to the Vice Chancellor for Administration at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He began his legal career as a Reginald Heber Smith Community Lawyer Fellow at the Roanoke Legal Aid Society in Virginia.

He is currently a member of the Boards of Directors for the Justice Policy Institute, the Sentencing Project, the Virginia State Board of Corrections, and Virginia CARES, and is a member of the Steering Committee of the National Prevention Science Coalition to Improve Lives. He is a graduate of the University of Virginia School of Law and Norfolk State University.