## Janice Warren, Citrus County Tax Collector Triple Dipper Queen



Janice Warren, Citrus County Tax Collector is a **Triple Dipping Queen**: taking a \$138,123 salary and \$246,070 pension at the same time to do the same job and not paying 3% of salary (\$4,143) into the Florida Retirement System like other Florida Public Employees. See <a href="https://tripledippers.org/citrus-triple-dipper-queens-2022/">https://tripledippers.org/citrus-triple-dipper-queens-2022/</a>

Sneaky Janice Warren didn't tell voters in 2020 that she signed a contract on Feb 1, 2017, to retire on December 31, 2020, when Janice Warren collected a \$246,070 pension cash bonus <a href="https://tripledippers.org/fl-cash-outs-december-2020/">https://tripledippers.org/fl-cash-outs-december-2020/</a>. Florida Politicians and Public Employees who want to collect a paycheck and pension at the same time to do the same job must sign a **Resignation of Employment** (Form DP-ELE) to participate in the Deferred Retirement Option Program (**DROP**) **Triple Dippers**. Janice Warren signed her **Resignation of Employment** on Feb 22, 2017, claiming her **Triple Dipper** DROP status began retroactively on 02-01-2017. **Retroactive DROP dates may be illegal.** 

But the taxpayer paid \$246,070 pension cash bonus was not enough for Triple Dipper Tax Collector Janice Warren. On September 25, 2020, Warren (69) petitioned for and got a special politician's permission to continue collecting her huge \$138,123 salary and avoid paying 3% of salary (\$4,143 a year) into the Florida Retirement System until Janice Warren's current election term expires on 12-31-2024. <a href="mailto:file:///C:/Users/succe/Downloads/DP-TEOC-2%20updtd%205-17.pdf">file:///C:/Users/succe/Downloads/DP-TEOC-2%20updtd%205-17.pdf</a>

Politician Janice Warren had no intention of keeping her contractual promise to retire on December 31, 2020. Janice Warren wrote on her DROP Resignation of Employment form in 2-1-2017 "I am an elected official plan to run again." **Florida Triple Dippers** are just greedy. Triple Dipper Politicians like Janice Warren lie, pretend to retire, break their contract promise to retire, and get special permission not to pay 3% of salary to the Florida Pension system for the remainder of their elected term. Florida taxpayers are on the hook for \$36 Billion in unfunded Public Employee Pension system, a \$1,652 liability for every man, woman and child in Florida. <a href="https://alec.org/publication/unaccountable-and-unaffordable-2020/">https://alec.org/publication/unaccountable-and-unaffordable-2020/</a>

As a Cherry on the top, Janice Warren was first elected in 2020 and will be cashing out 24 years of unused vacation, sick and personal days at her highest pay, not the pay when days off were earned—taking more money from Taxpayers and artificially boosting her final year's pay on which Janice Warren's pension is based on.

**After retiring for the third time** as Citrus Tax Collector on December 31, 2024, Janice Warren will continue receiving approximately \$100,000 each year in taxpayer paid pension plus retiree health care. The complete sortable list of current Citrus County Public Employee Triple Dippers is at <a href="https://tripledippers.org/fl-citrus-county/">https://tripledippers.org/fl-citrus-county/</a>

How many vacation homes, fancy cars, gourmet meals and vacations does one person really need? How much of the taxpayer paid \$246,070 cash bonus, if any, will Warren promise, in writing, to give to charity? Warren's \$246,070 cash pension bonus should have gone as loans to people loosing foreclosed homes due to back taxes, which Janice Warren supervises. The average Citrus County worker earns \$48,713¹ and must work over 5 years to earn Triple Dipper Queen Janice Warren's Taxpayer paid \$246,070 pension cash Bonus. Janice Warren's salary of \$138,123 is more than 2.8 times the average Citrus County worker's salary.

DROP Triple Dippers like Janice Warren pay nothing of her taxpayer paid salary into the Florida Pension. But Taxpayers pay 18.34% of her salary to the Florida Retirement system and 7.65% Social Security = 25.99% of Warren's \$138,123 = \$35,911 a year and climbing higher! Florida taxpayers are on the hook for \$36 Billion in unfunded Public Employee Pension system, a \$1,652 liability for every man, woman and child in Florida. https://alec.org/publication/unaccountable-and-unaffordable-2020/

The statewide sortable list of 29,719 Florida Triple Dippers is at <a href="https://tripledippers.org/fl-statewide-2021-dec-29718-tripledippers/">https://tripledippers.org/fl-statewide-2021-dec-29718-tripledippers/</a> Triple Dippers take an annual payroll of \$2.1 Billion (average salary \$62,344) and Cash Bonus of \$4.91 Billion (average cash bonus of \$146,161) <a href="https://flauditor.gov/pages/pdf\_files/2021-069.pdf">https://flauditor.gov/pages/pdf\_files/2021-069.pdf</a> p. 160. Paying a paycheck and a pension at the same time takes money away from improving Florida's roads, environment, senior services, and lower taxes. Replacing these overpaid, over the hill bureaucrats and politicians like Janice Warren with younger, healthier, better educated young people would save about 40% of public employee costs and give young people a chance to start a job, buy a house and start a family.

Contact your County Commissioners, State Legislators and Governor to urge a ban future **Triple Dipping**, require current **Triple Dippers** to pay 3% of salary into the Florida Pension System, limit cashing out of unused days to salary when days were earned, and prohibit Politicians from breaking their contracts to resign after 5 years of **Triple Dipping**.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> <u>https://www.ziprecruiter.com/Salaries/Citrus-Salary--in-Florida</u>