



County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors

SUPERVISOR DAVE V. WALDRON

Term: 1883
District: Fourth
Date of Birth: Unknown
Death: 1911

Dave V. Waldron served as county supervisor for one term. He was elected in November 1882 and assumed office on Jan. 8, 1883.

In the early 1870s, Waldron was a wealthy landowner in Los Angeles. He had a home covering more than 35 acres extending south and west from the present corner of Main and Washington streets.

It was on this property that he started Washington Gardens, a place where town residents could enjoy a Sunday variety show, dancing, picnicking, a small menagerie and a little race track on which the contestants drove buggies at speeds higher than the posted speed limit of 8 miles per hour.

Waldron's involvement in community and public affairs led to his election to county supervisor. After serving one term, he returned to the private sector.

Waldron later went to Alaska, where he met with a tragic death. In May 1911 he was found dead in a hut, alone and destitute.

Source: Historical Society of Southern California.