

Clesse Turner

October 25, 1895—August 3, 1970

Appointed February 20, 1959

Governor Grant Sawyer appointed Clesse Turner to the Clark County Commission in 1959 to replace George Albright. He served on the Commission for the rest of term and lost the election for the seat in 1960.

Turner was born in Breman, Ohio. He graduated from Ohio Wesleyan University in 1917. He served in France during World War I. Following the war, Turner went into business with his father in Denver, Colorado where they managed a hotel. In 1925, he went to work for the Standard Oil Company. In 1937, Standard Oil transferred Turner to Las Vegas.

In Las Vegas, Turner was active in local affairs. He helped raise money for the public library and served as a trustee on the library board. He also served on the Las Vegas Housing Authority. He was a member of the Elks, Junior Achievement, the American Legion, and the Kiwanis Club.

Turner retired from Standard Oil in 1960. He ran his own real estate firm after his retirement. Turner died in 1970 after several years of ill health.