

BOBBY GERVAIS

Bobby Gervais was born in Thibodaux, Louisiana. He is a direct descendant of a French plantation-owning family in St. Domingue (now Haiti), who had to flee to Louisiana due to a slave revolt on the island.

At age six his father took a job in Scotland and he lived there until returning to the USA at age 13. While growing up in Scotland, Bobby fostered a tremendous love of history, with his childhood being filled with constant visits to castles, battlefields, parliaments and museums.

In returning to the USA, he studied at Trinity University in San Antonio on a National Merit Scholarship, majoring in History, Business and German. After that, he studied law at Baylor University School of Law. During his undergraduate studies and law school, he studied abroad in Germany. He spent a summer in Berlin right after the fall of the Berlin Wall. Bobby currently practices law in Manvel, where he serves as the city attorney for the City of Manvel.

For decades Bobby Gervais has been a history buff. Several years ago he became an avid student of the Battle of New Orleans, after discovering that his ancestor who fled from Haiti fought in the Battle alongside Andrew Jackson. His ancestor fought with the French chausseurs under Major Plauche'. He is an active participant in the annual History of the Battle of New Orleans Symposium held every year in Chalmette, Louisiana.