

CAP Cadre Corner

Spotlight on Cecile Reynaud

Dr. Cecile Reynaud is the former head women's volleyball coach at Florida State University (26 seasons) and is currently a research associate for sport management and the director of the graduate level online coaching certificate at FSU. Reynaud won 635 career matches and seven conference championships while at FSU. Reynaud served as president of the American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA) in 1989 and 1990 after serving a two-year term as the awards chair in 1986 and 1987.

Reynaud also served as an interim assistant athletic director and senior women's administrator at Florida State from 1994-95. She served as a television color analyst for collegiate volleyball matches on Fox Sports Net South, Sunshine Network and ESPN.

A 1975 graduate of Southwest Missouri State University, Reynaud enjoyed an outstanding volleyball career and was twice named among the Outstanding College Athletes in America. In 1983, she was inducted into SMSU's Women's Athletics Hall of Fame, and in 2010 was inducted into the FSU Athletic Hall of Fame.

In 1983, Reynaud served as the assistant coach at the World University Games in Canada and in 1985 was head coach for the U.S. Women's Junior National Volleyball Team which toured Japan and China. She also served as a zone coordinator and commissioner at numerous US Olympic Festivals, and served as the technical secretary for the 1990 Goodwill Games. Highly respected among her peers, Reynaud's involvement in international competition was taken to an even higher level when she was chosen to serve as the deputy competition manager for the 1996 Centennial Olympic Games in Atlanta.

As an expert of the game, Reynaud was co-editor of "The Volleyball Coaching Bible," and has authored several other books and produced numerous DVDs. Reynaud is currently on the American Volleyball Coaches Association Board of Directors serving as the education and publications chair. She is an annual speaker for the NCAA Women Coaches Academy and is the past president of the Refuge House Board of Directors, a local domestic and sexual abuse shelter in Tallahassee.

Reynaud is an original member of the USA Volleyball CAP cadre of instructors and has been involved with USAV Coaching Education ever since. A former FIVB clinician as well, Reynaud is one of the most active and most requested USAV CAP cadre members, teaching several courses and clinics year at various sites around the United States. She is also currently serving on the Performance Enhancement Team for the U.S. National Sitting Volleyball Team and served as the team leader for the U.S. Paralympic Women's Sitting Volleyball Team at the 2012 Paralympic Games in London.

Reynaud has been instrumental in creation of the USAV and USOC SafeSport initiatives. She serves as chair the USA Volleyball Commission on Participant Safety, studying athlete safeguards and making many recommendations to help keep our volleyball athletes and coaches safe as they train, compete and coach our sport. Reynaud also received the prestigious USA Volleyball George J. Fisher Leader in Volleyball award in 1996 and was inducted into the USA Volleyball Florida Region Hall of Fame in 2011.

Reynaud completed her doctorate degree in 1998 in athletic administration at Florida State.