



Date of Birth: **June 9, 1933**

Year Elected to Seat: **1973**

Education: **Chico State College**

Committees Assignments:

- **Transportation and Infrastructure**
- **Natural Resources**

Representative Don Young (R-AK-At Large)

Congressman Don Young was re-elected to the 115th Congress in 2016 to serve his 23rd term as Alaska's only Representative to the United States House of Representatives. First sworn in as a freshman to the 93rd Congress after winning a special election on March 6, 1973, Congressman Young is today the Dean of the House and the longest serving member of the current Congress.

Congressman Young served as Chairman of the House Natural Resources Committee from 1995 to 2001 and then as the Chairman of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee from 2001-2007. In the 110th Congress, Representative Young returned to the helm of the Resources Committee to lead his fellow Republicans as the Ranking Member. In the 112th Congress, he was chosen to serve as the Chairman of the Subcommittee on Indian, Insular and Alaska Native Affairs (IIANA) – a position he held until January 2017. After fulfilling a successful 6-year term as Chairman of the IIANA Subcommittee, Congressman Young was named Chairman Emeritus of the full House Committee on Natural Resources – a role that allows him to bring his years of experience and knowledge to all five of the panel's Subcommittees. Today, Congressman Young currently serves as the most senior Republican on both the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee and House Natural Resources Committee.

Congressman Young calls Fort Yukon, Alaska home; a remote village of approximately 700 people located 7 miles above the Arctic Circle in Alaska's central interior region. Born on June 9, 1933 in Meridian, California, he earned his associate degree at Yuba Junior College in 1952, and his bachelor's degree in teaching at Chico State College in 1958. Between earning these degrees, he served in the US Army's 41st Tank Battalion from 1955 to 1957.

When he first moved to Alaska, Congressman Young made a living in construction and tried his hand at commercial fishing, trapping, and in the search for gold. In Fort Yukon he taught in a 25-student, 5th grade elementary class in the Bureau of Indian Affairs school. Constructed of logs, the school had a wood stove that kept his Alaska Native students warm in the sub-freezing, arctic winter. With the annual spring break-up of the river ice, he captained his own tug and barge operation to deliver products and supplies to villages along the Yukon River. Even today, he remains the only licensed mariner in Congress.

It was in Fort Yukon that Rep. Young met and married a young bookkeeper named Lu. Lu was always at the Congressman's side and supported him throughout his public service career. Lu and Don were married for 46 years. They were blessed with and raised two daughters, Joni and Dawn, and 14 grandchildren. Mrs. Young passed away on August 2, 2009. Although Congressman Young never imagined finding love again, on June 9, 2015 he married Anne Garland Walton, a Fairbanks-area flight nurse and proud mother of two children and six grandchildren.

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Date of Birth: **February 16, 1955**

Year Elected to Seat: **2014**

Education: **Duke University, University of Alabama School of Law**

Committees Assignments:

- **Armed Services**
- **Education and Labor**

Representative Bradley Byrne (R-AL-1)

Bradley Byrne, now serving his fourth term in the U.S. House of Representatives, was born and raised in Mobile, just a few miles from the site where his great-great-great grandfather, Gerald Byrne, settled in the 1780's.

After completing his undergraduate studies at Duke University, Bradley received his law degree from the University of Alabama School of Law. He practiced law in Mobile for more than 30 years, always active in the local community through various service and economic development organizations.

In Congress, Bradley has established himself as a fighter for conservative values and for Alabama priorities. Bradley has worked to support local industry through improved infrastructure, including the construction of a new I-10 bridge over the Mobile River. In an effort to shrink the federal bureaucracy, Bradley pushed for the repeal of ObamaCare, fought to reduce the regulatory burden on small businesses, and worked to rein in out-of-control federal spending. Bradley was a strong champion for the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, which lowered taxes on Alabama families and helped spur economic growth.

As a member of the House Committee on Armed Services, Bradley has been an outspoken supporter of a strong national defense and worked to support Alabama's significant defense footprint. Bradley has used his position on the Committee to build support for a stronger U.S. Navy and for the Littoral Combat Ship (LCS), which is built in part at Mobile's Austal USA shipyard. He has also stood up for Alabama's veterans and fought for improved quality of care at the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). Bradley played a critical role in the construction of a new VA outpatient clinic for veterans in Southwest Alabama.

A lifelong native of Alabama's Gulf Coast, Bradley is an avid sportsman and has been a strong supporter of the coastal economy. He has consistently pushed to give greater control over the Red Snapper fishery to the Gulf States and is a strong supporter of the Second Amendment. Bradley has been given the Legislative Conservationist of the Year Award on multiple occasions by the Alabama Wildlife Federation.

Bradley is married to the former Rebecca Dukes of Montgomery. Rebecca is the President and CEO of The Community Foundation of South Alabama, and they are the parents of four children: Patrick, Kathleen, Laura, and Colin. Bradley and Rebecca are also proud grandparents to MacGuire Arthur Byrne and Ann-Roberts Byrne. Bradley lives in Fairhope where he and his family are members of St. James Episcopal Church.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **July 26, 1976**

Year Elected to Seat: **2011**

Education: **New York University, Samford University School of Law**

Committees Assignments:

- **Appropriations**
- **Judiciary**

Representative Martha Roby (R-AL-2)

Representative Martha Roby (ROH-bee) is currently in her fifth term serving the people of Alabama's Second Congressional District in the U.S. House of Representatives. Prior to being elected to Congress, Representative Roby worked as an attorney and served as a city councilman in her hometown of Montgomery.

In the House, Representative Roby has been a forceful advocate for cutting wasteful spending and eliminating bureaucratic red tape that burdens American families and businesses.

Representative Roby serves on the House Committee on Appropriations, which has oversight on the whole range of government spending. On the Appropriations Committee, Representative Roby serves on the State and Foreign Operations Subcommittee, the Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Subcommittee, and the Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice and Science. She was the first representative from Alabama's Second Congressional District to serve on this key congressional committee.

Representative Roby also serves on the House Judiciary Committee. She is currently Ranking Member of the Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property, and the Internet.

In her short tenure in Congress, Representative Roby has distinguished herself as an effective legislator and messenger for the conservative cause. She exposed abuses in the scandal-ridden Veterans Affairs health system and has worked tirelessly to improve care for veterans, both locally and nationally. A fierce advocate for the military, Representative Roby led efforts to stop devastating cuts that threaten military readiness.

Representative Roby obtained a Bachelor of Music degree from New York University in 1998 and her law degree from Cumberland School of Law at Samford University in 2001. Representative Roby is married to Riley Roby and they have two children, Margaret and George. The Robys are members of Trinity Presbyterian Church, where they were married, their children were baptized and where they are involved in various ministries.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **July 16, 1958**

Year Elected to Seat: **2003**

Education: **Jacksonville State University,
Birmingham School of Law**

Committees Assignments:

- **Armed Services (Ranking Member)**
- **Homeland Security**

Representative Mike D. Rogers (R-AL-3)

Mike Rogers is a sixth generation East Alabamian. He is a conservative, a Christian, the father of three and married to his wife, Beth, for over 35 years.

Mike grew up in Calhoun County, Alabama, in the small mill village of Blue Mountain. His mother worked in the local textile mill and his father was a firefighter. Mike learned the values of family, hard work and sacrifice from his parents.

Since first elected in 2002, Mike has been known for his tireless advocacy for the people and interests of Alabama's Third Congressional District. He currently serves on the Agriculture Committee, the Armed Services Committee and the Homeland Security Committee (<http://homeland.house.gov/>), all vital to Alabama's interests. Nationally, he has built a reputation as a recognized leader on key national security issues, defender of the right to life and our Second Amendment rights.

As a senior member of the Armed Services Committee, Mike was selected to serve as Chairman of the Subcommittee on Strategic Forces. The Subcommittee deals with missile defense and nuclear weapons issues. These are vital issues important to America's national security and Alabama's economy, especially now as our nation faces nuclear and ballistic missile threats from North Korea and Iran. Mike is an ardent proponent of our nation's missile defense system to protect the United States and our key allies like Israel, and is consistently at odds with the Obama Administration over its positions on defense policy.

East Alabama is home to the Anniston Army Depot, Fort Benning, and Maxwell-Gunter Air Force Base. To help advocate for these installations, Mike also serves on the Armed Services Readiness Subcommittee which has jurisdiction over military readiness, maintenance and logistics. The Readiness Subcommittee oversees the largest account in the Department of Defense's budget. From this position, Mike works tirelessly to ensure our warfighters have the very best equipment, which includes the hard work done at the Anniston Army Depot, known as the 'Pit Crew of America's Warfighters.'

Mike graduated from Saks High School and earned both his undergraduate degree in Political Science and Masters of Public Administration at Jacksonville State University. Later he graduated with honors from the Birmingham School of Law. He was a practicing attorney and is a small business owner in Calhoun County.

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Date of Birth: **July 22, 1965**

Year Elected to Seat: **1997**

Education: **Birmingham-Southern College,
Samford University School of Law**

Committees Assignments:

- **Appropriations**

Representative Robert B. Aderholt (R-AL-4)

On January 3, 2019, Congressman Robert B. Aderholt took the oath of office to serve his twelfth term representing Alabama's Fourth Congressional District.

Aderholt is a member of the powerful House Committee on Appropriations, which has jurisdiction over funding the operation of the federal government. He serves as Ranking Member of the Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice and Science and supports greater transparency, accountability and oversight to the appropriations process. Aderholt also serves as a member of the Agriculture and Rural Development Subcommittee and the Defense Subcommittee. An advocate of fiscal responsibility, truth in budgeting and a federal government that operates within its means, Aderholt tries to bring common-sense solutions to the Appropriations Committee.

Aderholt also serves as a commission member of the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe (commonly known as the Helsinki Commission). Founded in 1976, the Helsinki Commission is comprised of 56 countries around the world that together monitors human rights in Europe and Central Asia.

A staunch supporter of his community, district and the state of Alabama, Aderholt believes the federal government serves a critical role in assisting state and local projects regarding economic development. He continues to support pro-growth initiatives that create jobs, strong immigration standards, and robust national security.

Prior to his election to Congress, Aderholt served as Assistant Legal Advisor to Governor Fob James as well as Municipal Judge for the city of Haleyville, Alabama. Educated through Alabama's public school system, Aderholt went on to receive his B.A. from Birmingham Southern College and his J.D. from the Cumberland School of Law at Samford University.

Born on July 22, 1965, and raised in Alabama, Aderholt and his wife, Caroline, have their residence in Haleyville along with their daughter, Mary Elliott, and their son, Robert Hayes. When Congress is in session, his family joins him in Washington, D.C. area.

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Date of Birth: **April 29, 1954**

Year Elected to Seat: **2011**

Education: **Duke University, University of Alabama School of Law**

Committees Assignments:

- **Armed Services**
- **Science, Space, and Technology**

Representative Mo Brooks (R-AL-5)

Congressman Brooks is highly active and engaged in representing the interests of the 5th District. Brooks supports America's missile defense technologies; he introduced successful legislation in 2011, 2012, and 2013 that blocked the White House from sharing classified missile technologies with Russia, and was adapted into the National Defense Authorization Act in FY2012. Rep. Brooks is also a vocal opponent of sequestration, voting against the Budget Control Act and called upon Administration officials to account for the consequences of sequestration in a HASC Strategic Forces Subcommittee hearing on April 18, 2012.

Growing up in North Alabama, Mo Brooks' parents taught him early on that study and hard work were expected and required. They also taught him the importance of honesty, and to never be shy about speaking up and fighting for important principles. Brooks was born in 1954 in Charleston, South Carolina, and moved in 1963 to Huntsville, Alabama. Rep. Brooks' father, Jack Brooks, retired from Redstone Arsenal's Metrology Center. Brooks' mother, Betty Brooks, taught economics and government for over 20 years at Lee High School.

Rep. Brooks graduated from Grissom High School in 1972 (where he was all-city in baseball and an active member on two state championship debate teams). He graduated from Duke University in three years with a double major in political science and economics, with highest honors in economics. In 1978, he graduated from the University of Alabama Law School.

In 1976, Mo Brooks married Martha Jenkins of Toledo; they met at Duke University. Martha graduated from the University of Alabama with an accounting degree. She later retired as a certified public accountant and obtained a math and education major from the University of Alabama in Huntsville in 2005. She taught math at Whitesburg Middle School. Mo and Martha are the proud parents of four children and grandparents of ten grandchildren. Rep. Brooks was first elected to the U.S. House of Representatives on November 2, 2010.

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Date of Birth: **May 14, 1954**

Year Elected to Seat: **2015**

Education: **University of Alabama**

Committees Assignments:

- **Transportation and Infrastructure**

Representative Gary Palmer (R-AL-6)

Mr. Palmer, who grew up in Hackleburg, a small town in Northwest Alabama, now lives in Hoover and represents Alabama's 6th Congressional District.

Mr. Palmer attended the University of Alabama and was the first person on either side of his family to attend college. In addition, he was a walk-on member of the football team under legendary football coach Bear Bryant. After earning a B.S. in Operations Management, he worked in the private sector for twelve years; including nine with two major engineering construction companies, before involvement with Focus on the Family lead him to start the

Alabama Family Alliance which later became the Alabama Policy Institute. Palmer served as President of the Alabama Policy Institute for 24 years. During his tenure, the Alabama Policy Institute became a full-spectrum public policy organization that engaged in virtually all policy issues that affected Alabamians. It is considered the premier conservative think-tank in Alabama.

In 2014, he was elected to the 114th Congress, having never served in office before. In Congress, Palmer is focused on paying down the national debt by cutting spending; regulatory reform by reducing the number and expense of federal regulations; lowering energy costs and spurring economic growth and job creation by accessing America's vast energy resources; and replacing Obamacare with a health care plan that puts people back in charge of their health care decisions and that will truly make health care affordable and available; and protecting life in all its forms. Palmer serves on the Oversight and Government Reform Committee and also serves on the Budget Committee as well as the Space, Science and Technology Committee and is the representative for Alabama, Georgia and South Carolina on the Republican Policy Committee.

Palmer has been a member of The Club of Birmingham Rotary since 1993. He holds an Honorary Doctorate from the University of Mobile. He and his wife Ann live in Hoover, Alabama where they attend Briarwood Presbyterian Church in Birmingham, Alabama. They have three children, Claire, Kathleen and Rob.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **January 1, 1965**

Year Elected to Seat: **2011**

Education: **Princeton University, Oxford University, Harvard School of Law**

Committees Assignments:

- **Ways and Means**
- **Intelligence**

Representative Terri Sewell (D-AL-7)

Congresswoman Terri A. Sewell is in her fourth term representing Alabama's 7th Congressional District. She is one of the first women elected to Congress from Alabama in her own right and is the first black woman to ever serve in the Alabama Congressional delegation.

Congresswoman Sewell sits on the exclusive House Ways and Means Committee and the distinguished House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence charged with the oversight of our national security. She is the Ranking Member on the Subcommittee on the Department of Defense Intelligence and Overhead Architecture, a key subcommittee on the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence.

In her short time in Congress, Sewell has held several leadership positions, including Freshman Class President in the 112th Congress. This current term, she was selected by Democratic leadership to serve as a Chief Deputy Whip, and sits on the prestigious Steering and Policy Committee which sets the policy direction of the Democratic Caucus. Congresswoman Sewell is a member of the Congressional Black Caucus and is Vice Chair of the New Democrat Coalition. She is also Co-Chair of the newly formed Voting Rights Caucus.

A proud product of Alabama's rural Black Belt, Congresswoman Sewell was the first black valedictorian of Selma High School. She is an honors graduate of Princeton University and Oxford University in England and received her law degree from Harvard Law School.

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Date of Birth: **January 22, 1966**

Year Elected to Seat: **2011**

Education: **Arkansas State University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Agriculture**
- **Intelligence**
- **Transportation and Infrastructure**

Representative Rick Crawford (R-AR-1)

Rick Crawford grew up in a military family where his father served in the United States Air Force. During that time, Rick had the opportunity to live all over the United States and overseas.

Upon graduation from high school, Rick enlisted in the United States Army where he served as an Explosive Ordnance Disposal Technician. He completed four years of service, advanced to the rank of Sergeant in under three years, and earned numerous medals for service at home and in Southwest Asia.

After completing his military service, Rick attended Arkansas State University and graduated in 1996 with a degree in Agriculture Business and Economics.

Rick's professional career has been primarily focused on agriculture in both agri-communications and general agri-business. He has been a news anchor, agri-reporter, and served as marketing manager for one of the largest John Deere dealer groups in North America.

Rick and his wife Stacy, also an ASU graduate, live in Jonesboro with their two children.

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Date of Birth: **December 5, 1956**

Year Elected to Seat: **2015**

Education: **Vanderbilt University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Financial Services**

Representative French Hill (R-AR-2)

A ninth generation Arkansan, French Hill is the 22nd Member of Congress to represent central Arkansas in the U.S. House of Representatives. He was elected on November 4, 2014, began his first congressional term on January 3, 2015, and was officially sworn in on January 6, 2015.

He serves on the U.S. House Committee on Financial Services where he was appointed to the committee's leadership team as Majority Whip. Prior to his congressional service, Mr. Hill was actively engaged in the Arkansas business community for two decades as a commercial banker and investment manager. He was founder, chairman, and chief executive officer of Delta Trust & Banking Corp., which was headquartered in Little Rock and recently merged with Arkansas-based Simmons First National Corp.

Prior to his community banking work in Arkansas, Mr. Hill served as a senior official in the administration of President George H.W. Bush. From 1989 until 1991, Mr. Hill served as Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Corporate Finance, where one of his key assignments was representing the United States as a negotiator in the historic bilateral talks with Japan known as the Structural Impediments Initiative (SII).

After the fall of the Berlin Wall, Mr. Hill led the design of U.S. technical assistance to the emerging economies of eastern and central Europe in the areas of banking and securities. In 1991, at the age of 34, President Bush appointed Mr. Hill to be Executive Secretary to the President's Economic Policy Council (EPC), where he coordinated all White House economic policy. For his leadership and service at the Treasury and the White House, Mr. Hill was awarded the Distinguished Service Award by U.S. Secretary of the Treasury Nicholas Brady in January 1993. Prior to his Executive Branch Service, from 1982 until 1984, Mr. Hill served on the staff of then-U.S. Senator John Tower (R-TX) as well as on the staff of the U.S. Senate Committee on Banking, Housing, & Urban Affairs.

Throughout his career, Mr. Hill has been active in civic affairs. He is a past president of the Rotary Club of Little Rock and served as the 2013 chairman of the Little Rock Regional Chamber of Commerce.

He has received numerous awards and recognition for his long-time support of the Boy Scouts of America, the arts and humanities, tourism, and historic preservation in Arkansas. He is an avid outdoorsman, boy scout, and spends recreational time outside hiking, fishing, and more.

Mr. Hill is a magna cum laude graduate in Economics from Vanderbilt University. He is married to the former Martha McKenzie of Dallas, Texas, and they have a daughter and a son. The Hill family resides in Little Rock.

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Date of Birth: **February 18, 1957**

Year Elected to Seat: **2011**

Education: **Arkansas Tech University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Appropriations**
- **Budget (Ranking Member)**

Representative Steve Womack (R-AR-3)

Congressman Stephen A. Womack, 61, is a native of Russellville, Arkansas. After attending K-10 in Moberly, Missouri, Womack's family returned to Arkansas in 1973, and he graduated from Russellville High School in 1975. Womack earned a Bachelor's degree from Arkansas Tech University in 1979 and, after graduation, was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant in the Arkansas Army National Guard.

In the fall of 1979, Steve relocated to Rogers where he and his father established KURM Radio, and he served as station manager from 1979-1990. In August of 1990, Steve accepted an assignment with the University of Arkansas Army ROTC program and served as Executive Officer of the program for six years. In 1996, Steve was hired as a financial consultant with Merrill Lynch.

On November 3, 1998, Steve was elected Mayor of Rogers and served in that capacity for twelve years. During his tenure, the City of Rogers experienced exponential economic growth, adding \$1 billion in new development with major improvements to the city's infrastructure, retail services, and quality of life amenities.

Steve also served on numerous boards and commissions in Northwest Arkansas serving as Chairman of the Northwest Regional Planning Commission, Chairman of Rogers United Way, board member of the Rogers-Lowell Chamber of Commerce, and the Rogers Parks Commission. A former Rotarian, Steve is also a Paul Harris Fellow. In 2014, he was inducted into the Arkansas Tech University Hall of Distinction as a Distinguished Alumnus.

31, 2009, at the rank of Colonel. His decorations include the Legion of Merit, the Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf cluster, the Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, and the Global War on Terror Expeditionary and Service Medals, and the Arkansas Distinguished Service Medal. Steve was inducted into the Arkansas Officer Candidate School Hall of Fame in 2011, and in 2015, he was awarded the Harry S. Truman Award – the highest recognition conferred upon an individual by the National Guard Association of the United States – for his contributions of exceptional and far-reaching magnitude to the defense and security of the United States. In 2017, he received the Department of the Army Decoration for Distinguished Civilian Service – the highest award that may be bestowed upon a civilian by the Secretary of the Army.

In the House, Steve serves as Ranking Member of the House Budget Committee. He also serves on the House Appropriations Committee. Steve is also a member of the Whip Team and various caucuses.

He has been married to his wife, Terri, for 34 years, and they have three grown sons and three grandsons, Liam, Kaden, and Luka.

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Date of Birth: **November 18, 1967**

Year Elected to Seat: **2015**

Education: **University of Arkansas, Yale University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Transportation and Infrastructure**
- **Natural Resources**

Representative Bruce Westerman (R-AR-4)

Congressman Bruce Westerman is a Hot Springs native currently serving his second term as representative from the Fourth District of Arkansas, having first been elected in 2014. Westerman serves on the Committee on the Budget, the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and the Committee on Natural Resources, where he is Chair of the Oversight and Investigations Subcommittee. Westerman also serves on the Majority Whip Team under the leadership of House Majority Whip Steve Scalise.

Prior to serving in Congress, Westerman was elected to two terms in the Arkansas General Assembly, where he was the state's first Republican House Majority Leader since Reconstruction following the 2013 GOP takeover of the Arkansas House of Representatives.

An engineer and forester by trade, Westerman worked for 22 years at Mid-South Engineering in Hot Springs. He was named Engineer of the Year by the Arkansas Society of Professional Engineers in 2013.

A 1990 graduate of the University of Arkansas with a Bachelor of Science degree in Biological and Agricultural Engineering, Westerman was a four-year walk-on member of the Razorback football team. He was awarded the Outstanding Young Alumni Award in 2005 and the Distinguished Alumni Award in 2012. Westerman is also a graduate of Yale University, earning a Master of Forestry degree in 2001.

Westerman lives in Hot Springs with his wife, Sharon. They have four children. He enjoys hunting and fishing.

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Date of Birth: **January 24, 1946**

Year Elected to Seat: **2017**

Education: **DePaul University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Agriculture**
- **Energy and Commerce**

Representative Tom O'Halleran (D-AZ-1)

Growing up, Tom O'Halleran was taught the value of hard work and honesty in serving his community. It is no surprise he took these lessons and joined the Chicago Police Department where he was commissioned as one of the youngest homicide detectives in the city's history. He served with distinction — receiving countless commendations and awards for his work to serve and protect his community.

Following his service, Tom became a member of the Chicago Board of Trade and opened his own small business. As a member of the board of directors, he chaired the finance, floor operations, and planning committees. His work gave the Board of Trade a vision for the future.

Never one to rest, Tom took on public service once again upon retiring to Arizona and served three consecutive terms in the Arizona House of Representatives and one term in the Senate. Tom used his eight years in the legislature to take on tough challenges and make the right decisions for his constituents, regardless of the political implications. For Tom, it is about the people he serves, not his title.

Tom and his wife, Pat, live in unincorporated Yavapai County. They have been married for over 48 years and have three children and four grandchildren.

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Date of Birth: **March 24, 1950**

Year Elected to Seat: **2009-2011, 2013-2017, 2019-Present**

Education: **University of Arizona, James E. Rogers College of Law**

Committees Assignments:

- **Agriculture**
- **Appropriations**

Representative Ann Kirkpatrick (D-AZ-2)

Ann Kirkpatrick was born and raised in rural Arizona, moved to Tucson to get her college education, and has performed a lifetime of service for Arizona families. She has also worked as a prosecutor, starting her career in the Pima County Attorney's office, before going on to serve in Congress.

Born and raised in the White Mountains, Ann spent her childhood on the White Mountain Apache Nation. Her first words as a child were in the Apache language. With a Republican mother and a Democratic father, Ann learned early how to mediate disagreement. She is a graduate of Blue Ridge High School, and earned both her bachelor's degree and her law degree from the University of Arizona.

She worked as a law clerk for the Pima County Attorney's office in the late 1970s, and served as Deputy Pima County Attorney from 1981 to 1984. She has also worked as an attorney in private practice. In November 2004, she was elected to the first of two terms in Arizona's House of Representatives, during which she worked with Governor Janet Napolitano to improve Arizona's K-12 schools.

In 2008, Ann Kirkpatrick was elected to Congress. She was re-elected in 2012 and 2014, representing a district that ran from Tucson's northern suburbs of Marana and Oro Valley all the way to Flagstaff and the Navajo Nation.

In her first term in Congress, Ann passed bills that helped Arizona's veterans and Native American tribes, and her bipartisan legislation enacting a historic water settlement is today helping Arizona's urban, rural and tribal communities. She has also been a leading voice in the push to reform the broken VA system and address problems exposed by Phoenix VA whistleblowers. Her call for a nationwide VA audit was enacted by the Obama administration within just 24 hours, and she was part of the bipartisan committee that brokered and passed major VA reform in 2014.

In 2016, Ann answered the call to run against Republican Senator John McCain, campaigning against Donald Trump across the state.

Ann and her husband, Roger, live in the Casas Adobes neighborhood in Tucson.

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Date of Birth: **February 19, 1948**

Year Elected to Seat: **2003**

Education: **University of Arizona**

Committees Assignments:

- **Education and Labor**
- **Natural Resources, Chairman**

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Representative Raúl M. Grijalva (D-AZ-3)

Raúl Grijalva began his career in public service as a community organizer in Tucson. Four decades later, he continues to be an advocate for those in need and a voice for the constituents of his home community. From 1974 to 1986, Raúl served on the Tucson Unified School District Governing Board, including six years as Chairman. In 1988, he was elected to the Pima County Board of Supervisors, where he served for the next 15 years, chairing the Board for two of those years. Raúl resigned his seat on the Board of Supervisors in 2002 to seek office in Arizona's newly created Seventh Congressional District. Despite a nine-candidate primary and the challenge of being outspent three-to-one by his closest competitor, Raúl was elected with a 20-point victory, thanks to a diverse coalition of supporters that led the largest volunteer-driven election effort in Arizona.

Throughout his career, Raúl has always fought for underrepresented voices. The passions that drove him as a School Board member to fight for and succeed at implementing bilingual education in Arizona are the same passions that motivated him to help pass the first bond package containing a \$10 million commitment to reinvest in older, poorer neighborhoods while he was a County Supervisor. Likewise, they are what drive him today as he fights to reform our broken immigration system, ensure livable wages for American workers, and create vital land protections to safeguard our nation's natural treasures for the next generation.

In 2014, Raúl was elected Ranking Member of the House Natural Resources Committee by his Democratic colleagues on the committee. He also serves on the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and is a Co-Chair of the Congressional Progressive Caucus, as well as a long-standing member of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus.



Date of Birth: **November 27, 1958**

Year Elected to Seat: **2011**

Education: **Creighton University, Creighton University Boyne School of Dentistry**

Committees Assignments:

- **Oversight and Reform**
- **Natural Resources**

Representative Paul Gosar (R-AZ-4)

Paul A. Gosar, D.D.S., is serving his fourth term in Congress as the Representative from Arizona's Fourth Congressional District. First elected in 2010, he came to Congress with no prior political experience. Paul believes that the Constitution is the cornerstone of our Republic, and always pursues policies that allow for more individual liberty and less government involvement.

Dr. Gosar is focused on bringing jobs back to the district, fighting illegal immigration and securing the border, challenging the status quo and holding Washington bureaucrats accountable, cutting wasteful government spending, and ensuring that he is representing the interests of his constituents.

He has focused his legislative work on natural resources issues and government accountability. Both areas stem from his work on the House Committee on Natural Resources and the House Committee on Oversight and Reform. Dr. Gosar is the Republican Leader of the Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources.

During his relatively short tenure, Dr. Gosar has managed to be extremely effective in a time of gridlock when few other bills were enacted. He was recognized in 2012 as one of the hardest working and most effective new members of Congress. Rep. Gosar raised the bar even higher during his second term with six bills signed into law by the president, 12 other legislative efforts becoming law, and 24 of his amendments passing the House. As a result of this legislative success, Representative Gosar was the most effective member of the 113th Congress. One of these legislative victories was the most important bill that passed Congress during this timeframe, facilitating a land exchange that will allow for the creation of 3,700 new jobs and generate \$60 billion for Arizona's economy.

Before being elected to Congress in 2010, Dr. Gosar owned his own dental practice and was a small businessman in Flagstaff for twenty-five years.

Whether Gosar is in Washington fighting for his constituents, or back home working to find solutions to the problems facing the people of Arizona's Fourth Congressional District, he remains committed to ushering in a new era of government that empowers individuals and reforms bureaucratic procedures that are stifling job creation.

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Date of Birth: **November 7, 1958**

Year Elected to Seat: **2017**

Education: **Brigham Young University,
University of Arizona, Arizona State University**

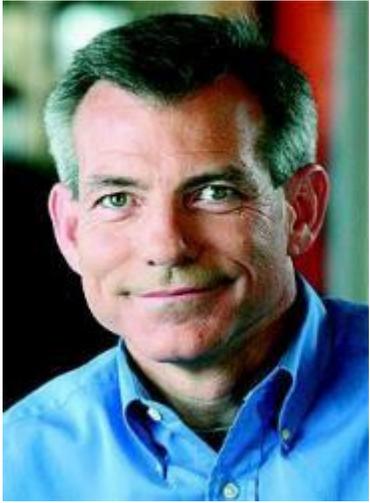
Committees Assignments:

- **Science, Space, and Technology**
- **Judiciary**

Representative Andy Biggs (R-AZ-5)

Congressman Andy Biggs is an Arizona native and currently serving his first term in the U.S. House of Representatives. He lives in Gilbert with his wife of 35 years, Cindy. They have six children and four grandchildren. Congressman Biggs received his bachelor's degree in Asian Studies from Brigham Young University; his M.A. in Political Science from Arizona State University; and his J.D. degree from the University of Arizona. He is a retired attorney, who has been licensed to practice law in Arizona, Washington, and New Mexico. Most recently, Congressman Biggs served in the Arizona Legislature for 14 years – the last four as the Arizona Senate President. He was awarded “Champion of the Taxpayer” from Americans for Prosperity for his cumulative service in the Arizona legislature, and has been honored numerous times by the Goldwater Institute as a “Friend of Liberty.”

Notes:



Date of Birth: **March 3, 1962**

Year Elected to Seat: **2011**

Education: **Arizona State University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Ways and Means**

Representative David Schweikert (R-AZ-6)

David Schweikert is serving his fifth term in the United States Congress. He holds a seat on the Ways and Means Committee, having previously served on the Financial Services Committee. He also sits on the bicameral Joint Economic Committee, Co-Chairs the Valley Fever Task force with House Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy, and is the Republican Co-Chair of both the Blockchain Caucus, the Tunisia Caucus and the Caucus on Access to Capital and Credit.

Among his legislative accomplishments, David was instrumental in authoring and passing the JOBS ACT into law. The bill was signed by the President in April 2012.

David currently serves on the Social Security and Oversight Subcommittees on Ways and Means. Having previously served as Chairman of the EPA Oversight Subcommittee on the Science, Space, and Technology Committee; David championed key reforms such as the Secret Science Reform Act, which has passed the House of Representatives.

A national leader on tribal policy, David draws on a unique background working with Arizona's tribal communities on important priorities. He is always eager to take on a technical challenge.

As a strong advocate for efficiencies in the 21st Century economy, David collaborates with entrepreneurs and innovators in Arizona and around the world on ways to increase trade and drive economic growth. David is the co-chair of the Blockchain Caucus, and has championed technological innovations as the solution to the problems of over-burdensome government regulations.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **November 20, 1979**

Year Elected to Seat: **2015**

Education: **Harvard University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Armed Services**
- **Natural Resources**

Representative Ruben Gallego (D-AZ-7)

Congressman Ruben Gallego is the son of Hispanic immigrants, a veteran, and a community leader. He was the first in his family to attend college, graduating from Harvard University with a degree in International Relations. He later joined the Marine Corps, serving in Iraq with the well-known combat unit Lima 3/25.

Congressman Gallego was elected to the Arizona House of Representatives in 2010, and served until 2014. He represented District 27, which covers much of Phoenix. He rose quickly in the state legislature, serving as Assistant Minority Leader. Congressman Gallego became known for his tough stand against extreme legislation pushed by Republicans in the state legislature. He led the opposition to the discriminatory SB 1062, which Governor Jan Brewer ultimately vetoed. As a state legislator, Congressman Gallego also led the push for Medicaid expansion and to secure in-state tuition for veterans.

During his first term, Congressman Gallego fought tirelessly on issues including education, job creation, access to higher education, veterans' issues, and immigration reform. Making Arizona a better place to live, work and raise a family is his top priority.

In his first year in Congress, Congressman Gallego introduced the VETS Act, which would reduce the burden of student loan debt on veterans and has supported legislation to increase the hiring of veterans and provide additional benefits to wounded or deceased veterans and their families.

Congressman Gallego helped lead the effort to strengthen and restore the Voting Rights Act in order to ensure that all Americans have access to the ballot box. He also authored legislation to encourage gun dealers to be stronger community partners in the struggle against gun violence and to crack down on irresponsible gun dealers.

Congressman Gallego serves as a Senior Whip for the Democratic Caucus, the First Vice Chair of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus, Vice Chair of the Congressional Progressive Caucus and Congressional Progressive Caucus Tribal Liaison, and Vice Chair of the Equality Caucus.

Congressman Gallego currently serves on the House Armed Services Committee and the Natural Resources Committee, and serves as Chair of the Natural Resources Subcommittee for Indigenous Peoples of the United States.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **November 14, 1958**

Year Elected to Seat: **2018**

Education: **University of Wisconsin-Madison**

Committees Assignments:

- **Homeland Security**
- **Rules**
- **Judiciary**

Representative Debbie Lesko (R-AZ-8)

Congresswoman Debbie Lesko represents Arizona's 8th Congressional District. In May 2018, she was sworn in to the U.S. House of Representatives and appointed to serve on the Committee on Homeland Security and the Committee on Science, Space and Technology.

Prior to her role in the U.S. House of Representatives, Congresswoman Lesko served in the Arizona Legislature for nine years – the last three of which were in the Arizona Senate. She served as Senate President Pro-Tempore and Chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee. She was honored by numerous organizations during her time at the Arizona Legislature, including, “Champion of the Taxpayer”, “Guardian of Small Business” and “Senator of the Year.”

Congresswoman Lesko received her Bachelor’s degree from the University of Wisconsin. She lives in Peoria with her husband, Joe, and they have three children.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **March 8, 1970**

Year Elected to Seat: **2019**

Education: **Marquette University, University of Michigan Law School**

Committees Assignments:

- **Transportation and Infrastructure**
- **Judiciary**

Representative Greg Stanton (D-AZ-9)

Throughout his career, Greg Stanton has worked tirelessly to deliver results for Arizona families. Serving as Phoenix mayor from 2012 to 2018, he focused on building an economy rooted in innovation and trade. Under his leadership, Phoenix created thousands of quality jobs and recently saw the highest wage growth in the nation.

Greg has earned a reputation for working across the aisle to get things done. His biggest accomplishments in Phoenix were passed with bipartisan support: the City's investment in the biosciences and higher education, support for small businesses, and national recognition for leadership on LGBT equality. In 2015, Stanton won reelection and successfully led one of the most ambitious transportation initiatives in the country—a bipartisan, voter-backed plan that is now working to triple Phoenix's light rail system, expand bus service, and improve thousands of miles of roadways over the next 35 years.

Before his election as mayor, Greg served nine years on the Phoenix City Council and as Arizona's Deputy Attorney General. He attended Marquette University on the Harry S. Truman Scholarship, and earned a law degree from the University of Michigan.

Greg and his wife Nicole have two children.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **July 2, 1960**

Year Elected to Seat: **2013**

Education: **California Polytechnic San Luis Obispo**

Committees Assignments:

- **Agriculture**
- **Transportation and Infrastructure**

Representative Doug LaMalfa (R-CA-1)

Doug LaMalfa is a fourth generation rice farmer and business owner who has lived in Northern California all his life. Doug attended local schools and grew up learning the value of hard work and community service. Doug earned his degree in Ag/Business from Cal Poly San Luis Obispo. He now manages the family farming business originally founded by his great-grandfather in 1931.

Doug is a strong voice for the North State's agriculture and resources based economy and for the first district's farms and businesses.

A conservative leader, Doug LaMalfa has opposed increasing taxes and is a stalwart defender of California's Proposition 13. With a proven record of fighting on behalf of working families, Doug believes that taxpayers know better than bureaucrats and politicians how to spend and invest their own hard-earned money.

Doug is a strong supporter of private property rights and the author of a Constitutional Amendment to protect Californians against eminent domain abuse.

Water is the North State's most precious natural resource and Doug LaMalfa believes in protecting our water rights and developing more water storage. He has continually advocated for increasing California's water supply, supporting planned projects such as Sites Reservoir and the Auburn Dam. Doug has been a leader in opposing burdensome environmental regulations that place fairy shrimp and fish ahead of human needs.

Agriculture and Forestry have been the backbone of northern California's economy for generations and Doug LaMalfa has made it a priority to educate his fellow Representatives on the importance of resource industries and the beneficial stewardship they provide. Doug successfully authored and passed California's Forest Fire Protection Act of 2004 to allow landowners to make their rural lands fire-safe.

Doug LaMalfa's firm beliefs are that government should do no harm and that limited government means government should do only what people cannot do for themselves, in the most efficient manner possible.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **February 18, 1964**

Year Elected to Seat: **2013**

Education: **University of California Santa Barbara, Boston College Law School**

Committees Assignments:

- **Transportation and Infrastructure**
- **Natural Resources**

Representative Jared Huffman (D-CA-2)

Representative Jared Huffman (D-San Rafael) was sworn in as a member of the 113th Congress on January 3, 2013 to represent California's second district. The district spans from the Golden Gate Bridge north to the Oregon border, covering six counties including all of Marin, Mendocino, Humboldt, Trinity, and Del Norte, and much of Sonoma Counties.

Prior to his election to Congress in November of 2012, Huffman served six years in the California State Assembly where he authored more than 60 pieces of successful legislation and received numerous awards for his legislative leadership. Huffman chaired the Water, Parks, and Wildlife Committee, served on the Budget Committee and was co-chair of the Legislative Environmental Caucus.

In the Assembly, Huffman distinguished himself as a legislator who tackles complex public policy challenges, works tirelessly, and gets results – often by forging bipartisan consensus on difficult issues. He played a leading role in crafting and passing the historic package of water reforms in 2009. Other notable laws authored by Huffman include California's pioneering lighting efficiency standards (AB 1109) which were subsequently adopted into federal law; the nation's largest programs for solar hot water heating (AB 1470) and paint recycling (AB 1343); reforms that improve California's State Parks system (AB 1589) and Department of Fish and Wildlife (AB 2402); and creation of a new voluntary type of corporation, California Benefit Corporations, to promote corporate social responsibility (AB 361).

Prior to his election to public office, Huffman was a Senior Attorney for the Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC). One of his proudest accomplishments at NRDC was helping forge an agreement to restore a 153-mile stretch of the San Joaquin River in California's Central Valley.

Before he joined NRDC, Huffman was a successful public interest attorney whose victories included several major jury verdicts in gender discrimination and race discrimination trials. He also served 12 years in local government as a Director of Marin County's largest special district, the Marin Municipal Water District (MMWD), from 1994 to 2006.

Huffman graduated magna cum laude from the University of California at Santa Barbara, where he was also a three-time NCAA All-American volleyball player. He went on to play for the USA Volleyball Team in 1987 when the team was ranked #1 in the world, before attending and graduating cum laude from Boston College Law School.

Huffman lives in Marin with his wife Susan and their two children, Abby and Nathan. In his free time, Huffman enjoys all types of fishing, as well as tennis and home winemaking.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **January 24, 1945**

Year Elected to Seat: **2009**

Education: **UC Berkeley, Harvard Business School**

Committees Assignments:

- **Armed Services**
- **Transportation and Infrastructure**

Representative John Garamendi (D-CA-3)

John Garamendi joined the U.S. House of Representatives on November 5, 2009. He brings nearly four decades of public service to the House Armed Services and Transportation & Infrastructure committees.

He has been a tireless proponent of job creation, quality and affordable health care, education, environmental protection, and scientific research, while always working to ensure the stability and success of the state he has always called home.

Garamendi was raised on his family's cattle ranch in Mokelumne Hill. He graduated with a BA in business from UC Berkeley and an MBA from Harvard Business School.

Garamendi and his wife started their married life as Peace Corps volunteers teaching and doing community development work in Ethiopia. Patti has served as Assistant Director of the Peace Corps and as a Deputy Administrator at the United States Department of Agriculture's Foreign Agricultural Service. John and Patti live in Walnut Grove and have six children and ten grandchildren.

One of Garamendi's passions is a commitment to international service. He led a group of returned Peace Corps volunteers on a peace mission during the Ethiopian-Eritrea war in 1998-2000, helping to negotiate a peace treaty. Garamendi created a similar team that assisted in peace negotiations in the Congo Civil War.

Rep. Garamendi has forged a reputation as a fierce defender of consumers and a visionary, effective leader. He possesses the unique wealth of knowledge and experience necessary to tackle today's complex challenges.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **July 10, 1956**

Year Elected to Seat: **2009**

Education: **University of California Los Angeles**

Committees Assignments:

- **Natural Resources**
- **Judiciary**

Representative Tom McClintock (R-CA-4)

Tom McClintock represents the people of California's historic gold country and Sierra Nevada in a district that stretches from Lake Tahoe, through Yosemite Valley and on to Kings Canyon.

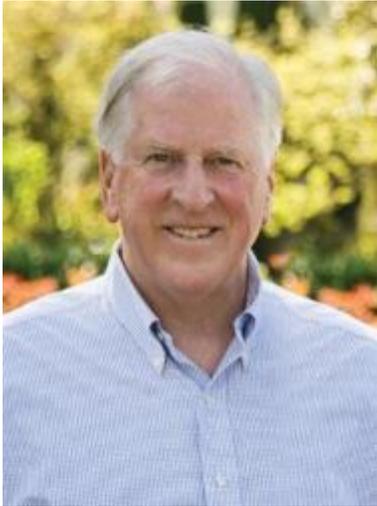
Often described as "the gold standard" for fiscal conservatism in Congress, the National Taxpayers Union rated him the best vote for taxpayers in the House in 2014 and 2015. Citizens Against Government Waste recently named him as one of only two perfect votes in the House fighting wasteful government spending.

McClintock is a previous member of the House Budget Committee and has proposed major fiscal reforms to curb unauthorized appropriations, control mandatory spending, balance the budget and protect the nation's credit. He is a senior member of the House Natural Resources Committee where he serves on the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands, which he chaired from 2015 to 2018, and on the Subcommittee on Water, Oceans and Wildlife, which he chaired from 2011 to 2015. The Congressman is a member of the House Judiciary Committee, where he serves on the Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship and also serves on the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism and Homeland Security.

Prior to his election to Congress, McClintock served 22 years in the California legislature, where he became one of its most recognized conservative leaders. He twice received the Republican nomination for State Controller, narrowly missing election in 2002 by 23/100ths of one percent. He ran as the conservative standard bearer for Governor in California's historic recall election in 2003.

Tom McClintock and his wife, Lori, married in 1987 and have two children.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **January 24, 1951**

Year Elected to Seat: **1999**

Education: **California State University - Chico**

Committees Assignments:

- **Ways and Means**

Representative Mike Thompson (D-CA-5)

Mike Thompson represents California's 5th Congressional District. The district includes all of Napa and parts of Contra Costa, Lake, Solano and Sonoma Counties. He was first elected in 1998. Prior to serving in Congress, Rep. Thompson represented California's 2nd District in the California State Senate where he chaired the powerful Budget Committee.

Thompson is the co-founder and co-chair of the bipartisan Congressional Wine Caucus, which consists of over 215 U.S. Senators and House members. He is also a member and former co-chair of the Congressional Sportsmen's Caucus. He is also a member of the Blue Dog Coalition, which is composed of moderate Democrats committed to bipartisan problem solving.

Thompson was the first Vietnam veteran elected to the California State Senate. He served in combat with the U.S. Army as a staff sergeant/platoon leader with the 173rd Airborne Brigade where he was wounded and received a Purple Heart. He was also an instructor at the Army's Airborne School.

Thompson is recognized in Congress and throughout his district as a moderate Democrat who has built a solid reputation for bipartisan problem solving. While serving in the State Senate he authored California's landmark Welfare Reform Act with Republican Senator Ken Maddy.

Thompson is a small vineyard owner and was the maintenance supervisor for the Beringer Winery. He has taught Public Administration and State Government at San Francisco State University and California State University, Chico.

He is married to Janet Thompson, a family nurse practitioner. They have two sons, a firefighter and a deputy sheriff, and three wonderful grandchildren.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **September 25, 1944**

Year Elected to Seat: **2005**

Education: **University of California Berkeley**

Committees Assignments:

- **Energy and Commerce**
- **Rules**

Representative Doris O. Matsui (D-CA-6)

Congresswoman Doris Matsui has represented the city of Sacramento and its surrounding areas since 2005.

She is committed to strengthening Sacramento's flood protection, ensuring quality, affordable health care for all, promoting a clean energy economy, and creating a vibrant region where families can live, work, and play.

Sitting at the confluence of two rivers, the Sacramento area has one of the highest flood risks in the country. Congresswoman Matsui is a stalwart champion for increased flood protection, levee improvements and keeping flood insurance rates affordable. She is at the forefront of the effort to build the Joint Federal Project at Folsom Dam, a \$1 billion project that is a model of cooperation and efficiency. She also fights to preserve the region's water rights and resources within the ongoing Bay Delta Conservation Plan.

Congresswoman Matsui passionately works to increase public transportation options in Sacramento. She is engaged in the planning and execution of an intermodal transportation center in downtown Sacramento, was instrumental in securing federal funds to extend Sacramento's light rail system, and is a leading proponent and has helped secure critical federal resources for a streetcar system linking Sacramento and West Sacramento.

After growing up on a farm in California's Central Valley, Congresswoman Matsui met her husband, the late Congressman Bob Matsui, while attending the University of California at Berkeley. During President Clinton's first term in office, she served as one of eight members of the President's transition board. She later served for six years as Deputy Assistant to the President in the White House Office of Public Liaison.

Congresswoman Matsui currently serves as a Member of the Board of Regents for the Smithsonian, on the Council of the National Museum of African American History and Culture, and is on the Board of the National Symphony Orchestra.

Congresswoman Matsui has a son Brian Matsui and a daughter-in-law Amy Matsui. She has two grandchildren, Anna and Robby.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **March 2, 1965**

Year Elected to Seat: **2013**

Education: **University of California Irvine**

Committees Assignments:

- **Foreign Affairs**
- **Science, Space and Technology**

Representative Ami Bera (D-CA-7)

Congressman Ami Bera represents California's 7th Congressional District in the U.S. House of Representatives. The 7th district is located just east of California's capitol city, Sacramento, and lies entirely within Sacramento County. A first-generation American born and raised in California, Bera is guided by a desire to serve his community. It's that commitment to service that led him to become a doctor and later run for Congress.

Congressman Bera grew up believing America was a land of opportunity, where if you worked hard and played by the rules, you could reach your full potential. He attended California's public schools from grammar school through medical school, earning both his B.S. and M.D. from the University of California, Irvine. With help from his family, scholarships, and working part-time, he put himself through medical school while taking advantage of federally-funded student loans, and graduating with less than \$10,000 in debt. He credits much of his success to his country's investment in him, and he's working to ensure that we continue to invest in hard working Americans to keep the American Dream alive for the next generation.

During Congressman Bera's twenty-year medical career, he worked to improve the availability, quality, and affordability of healthcare. After graduating from medical school in 1991, he did his residency in internal medicine at California Pacific Medical Center, eventually becoming chief resident. He went on to practice medicine in the Sacramento area, serving in various leadership roles for MedClinic Medical Group. Chief among his contributions was improving the clinical efficiency of the practice. He then served as medical director of care management for Mercy Healthcare, where he developed and implemented a comprehensive care management strategy for the seven-hospital system.

In Congress, Bera uses the skills he learned as a doctor to listen to the people of Sacramento County and put people ahead of politics to move our country forward. His priority is to work alongside people in both parties to address our nation's most pressing challenges and make government work. Bera believes Congress should be a place for service, not for politicians who only look out to protect their own careers, pay, and perks.

Congressman Bera is the longest-serving Indian American currently serving in Congress. He has lived in Elk Grove, California for 20 years with his wife Janine, who is also a medical doctor. They are proud parents to their daughter, Sydra.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **March 3, 1943**

Year Elected to Seat: **2013**

Education: **Southern Connecticut State University, California State University San Bernardino, University of California Riverside**

Committees Assignments:

- **Armed Services**
- **Natural Resources**

Notes:

Representative Paul Cook (R-CA-8)

Col. Paul Cook (ret.) was elected to serve in the US House of Representatives in November 2012. He represents California's 8th Congressional District which includes the high desert communities of San Bernardino County as well as Mono and Inyo counties.

An infantry officer who served with distinction in the United States Marine Corps and a veteran of the Vietnam War, Col. Cook's military career spanned twenty-six years. His actions in combat earned him a number of honors, including two Purple Hearts and the Bronze Star Medal with a V for valor. He retired from the Marine Corps in 1992 as a colonel.

Prior to his election to the U.S. House of Representatives, Col. Cook represented the 65th Assembly District for six years in the California State Legislature and served on the Yucca Valley Town Council.

In the U.S. House of Representatives, Cook is a member of the Armed Services and Natural Resources committees. He lives in Yucca Valley with his wife, Jeanne.



Date of Birth: **June 18, 1951**

Year Elected to Seat: **2007**

Education: **University of New Mexico**

Committees Assignments:

- **Energy and Commerce**
- **Science, Space, and Technology**

Representative Jerry McNerney (D-CA-9)

Congressman Jerry McNerney was sworn into office on January 4, 2007. He is proud to represent California's 9th District, which includes a large portion of San Joaquin County in the Central Valley as well as parts of Contra Costa and Sacramento Counties.

McNerney was inspired to run for Congress by his son Michael, who in response to the attacks of September 11, sought and received a commission in the Air Force. Michael suggested that his Dad serve his country by running for Congress. With a deep sense of duty and his family's support, McNerney began his journey to Congress.

Congressman McNerney is honored to serve on the Committee on Energy and Commerce, the oldest standing legislative committee in the U.S. House of Representatives. The committee is vested with broad jurisdiction on a number of issues including telecommunications, consumer protection, food and drug safety, public health research, environmental quality, energy policy, and interstate and foreign commerce. The Congressman is also proud to be a member of the House Committee on Science, Space and Technology.

McNerney, who has his Ph.D. in mathematics, served several years as an engineering contractor to Sandia National Laboratories in New Mexico. In 1990 McNerney moved with his family to California, accepting a senior engineering position with U.S. Windpower, Kenetech. McNerney later began working as an energy consultant for PG&E, FloWind, the Electric Power Research Institute, and other utility companies. Prior to his election to Congress, he formed a start-up company to manufacture wind turbines. During his career in wind energy, McNerney's work contributed to saving the equivalent of approximately 30 million barrels of oil, or 8.3 million tons of carbon dioxide.

McNerney and Mary, his wife of 40 years, have three grown children. Their oldest son, Michael, is a reserve officer in the U.S. Air Force and a graduate of American University with a degree in law. Daughter Windy received a Ph.D. from Notre Dame in neuroscience and is now working on the biochemistry of neurodegenerative disorders as a fellow at the VA Palo Alto, and also teaches at Stanford University. Their youngest son, Greg, received his Ph.D. in biophysics and is working as an engineer at Intel Corporation.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **August 1, 1986**

Year Elected to Seat: **2019**

Education: **Stanford University, Harvard University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Agriculture**
- **Education and Labor**

Representative Josh Harder (D-CA-10)

Joshua Keck Harder (born August 1, 1986) is an American politician, educator, and venture capitalist. A member of the Democratic Party, he is the U.S. Representative for California's 10th congressional district, serving since January 3, 2019.

Harder was born on August 1, 1986 in Turlock, California, and graduated from Modesto High School. He earned political science and economics undergraduate degrees from Stanford University, as well as a joint MBA/MPP from Harvard Business School and Kennedy School of Government.

In 2014, Harder was hired by Bessemer Venture Partners working in their New York office. He moved back to San Francisco, and was promoted to a vice president role in 2016. In 2017, he moved back to Turlock, and taught business at Modesto Junior College.

In May 2017, Harder announced his candidacy, joining three other Democrats to challenge Jeff Denham, who had represented the 10th district since 2013 and previously represented the 19th district from 2011 to 2013. As a result of California's jungle primary system, Denham and Harder advanced to the general election ballot, with Denham finishing first with 37.5% of the primary vote, and Harder finishing second with 16.7% of the primary vote.

California's 10th district was included on the list of Republican-held seats being targeted by the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee in 2018. On election night and for the days following the election, Denham held a lead in the reported results. On November 9, Harder pulled ahead in the absentee ballot tallying. Days later, news outlets projected Harder's victory, and on November 14, Denham conceded.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **March 31, 1952**

Year Elected to Seat: **2015**

Education: **College of the Holy Cross**

Committees Assignments:

- **Education and Labor**
- **Transportation and Infrastructure**
- **Oversight and Reform**

Representative Mark DeSaulnier (D-CA-11)

Congressman Mark DeSaulnier (DE-SOWN-YAY) was elected to Congress in 2014 and proudly represents California's 11th Congressional District, which includes the majority of Contra Costa County. For more than 20 years, Mark has been a leader on issues of importance to working families including guaranteeing a livable wage, ensuring education is affordable and accessible, making investments in job training, and keeping good paying jobs here at home.

As a longtime advocate for worker protections and strong employment policies, Mark created the "Future of Work, Wages, and Labor" initiative in 2016. Together with several of his Democratic colleagues, Mark is hearing from the world's leading experts on these topics to help American workers anticipate and navigate workplace obstacles.

Congressman DeSaulnier has been a strong voice for reform and has developed a reputation for taking on tough issues while seeking to make government more accessible and transparent to all Californians. Mark continues to serve on the Oversight and Government Reform Committee, where as a member of the National Security and Intergovernmental Affairs Subcommittees, he works to ensure our government works in the best interest of the American people.

Mark has a proven record of fighting for needed investments in our infrastructure systems to improve safety, reduce congestion, and create good paying jobs. Now in his second term, he was appointed to the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, where he sits on the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit and the Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials. Prior to being elected to Congress, he was Chair of the California State Senate Transportation and Housing Committee, and has been an instrumental leader in advocating for safe and efficient transportation systems. Additionally, Congressman DeSaulnier championed several local transportation issues including the expansion of the Highway 4, BART to eastern Contra Costa County, and the development of a fourth bore of the Caldecott Tunnel.

Born in Lowell, Massachusetts, Mark earned his BA in History from the College of the Holy Cross. As a young man in Massachusetts, Congressman DeSaulnier worked for the Boston juvenile court, as a warehouse worker, and as a hotel services employee. Mark was a member of both the Teamsters International Union and the Hotel Employees and Restaurant Employees International Union. In the early 1970s, Mark moved to California and over the next 35 years, he owned and managed several successful Bay Area restaurants. He has been a small business owner most of his career.

Congressman DeSaulnier lives in Concord where he raised his two sons, Tristan and Tucker. He is an avid runner and has completed twenty-one marathons.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **March 26, 1940**

Year Elected to Seat: **1987**

Education: **Trinity Washington University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Speaker of the House**

Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-CA-12)

Nancy Pelosi is the Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives for the 116th Congress. From 2007 to 2011, Pelosi served as Speaker of the House, the first woman to do so in American history. As the Speaker, Pelosi is fighting for bigger paychecks and better infrastructure for America's middle class families. In 2013, she was inducted into the National Women's Hall of Fame at a ceremony in Seneca Falls, the birthplace of the American women's rights movement.

For 31 years, Leader Pelosi has represented San Francisco, California's 12th District, in Congress. She has led House Democrats for more than 16 years and previously served as House Democratic Whip.

Under the leadership of Pelosi, the 111th Congress was heralded as "one of the most productive Congresses in history" by Congressional scholar Norman Ornstein. President Barack Obama called Speaker Pelosi "an extraordinary leader for the American people," and the Christian Science Monitor wrote: "...make no mistake: Nancy Pelosi is the most powerful woman in American politics and the most powerful House Speaker since Sam Rayburn a half century ago."

Working in partnership with President Obama, Speaker Pelosi led House passage of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act in early 2009 to create and save millions of American jobs, provide relief for American families, and provide a tax cut to 95 percent of working Americans. With the House Democratic Caucus, Pelosi continues to focus on the need to create jobs in America and prevent them from being shipped overseas.

In continuing to push for accountability and transparency in government, under Speaker Pelosi, the House passed the toughest ethics reform legislation in the history of the Congress, including the creation of an independent ethics panel, and increased accountability and transparency in House operations, including earmark reforms. As Speaker, Pelosi led the fight to pass the DISCLOSE Act in the House, which fights a corporate takeover of U.S. elections and ensures additional disclosure; she continues to fight for this legislation today.

Pelosi comes from a strong family tradition of public service. Her late father, Thomas D'Alesanddro Jr., served as Mayor of Baltimore for 12 years, after representing the city for five terms in Congress. Her brother, Thomas D'Alesandro III, also served as Mayor of Baltimore. She graduated from Trinity College in Washington, D.C. She and her husband, Paul Pelosi, a native of San Francisco, have five grown children and nine grandchildren.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **July 16, 1946**

Year Elected to Seat: **1997**

Education: **Mills College, University of California Berkeley**

Committees Assignments:

- **Appropriations**
- **Budget**

Representative Barbara Lee (D-CA-13)

Congresswoman Barbara Lee was born in segregated El Paso, TX and attended St. Joseph's Catholic School, where she was taught by the Sisters of Loretto, an order dedicated to promoting justice and peace. Her father was a veteran of two wars and her mother broke many glass ceilings and racial barriers. After grammar school, Congresswoman Lee moved to San Fernando, California and worked with the local NAACP to integrate her high school cheerleading squad.

As a single mother raising two sons, Congresswoman Lee attended Mills College and received public assistance while building a better life for her family. As president of Mills College's Black Student Union, she invited Congresswoman Shirley Chisholm, the first African American woman elected to Congress, to speak on campus. As a result of this meeting, Congresswoman Lee registered to vote for the first time and worked on Congresswoman Chisholm's historic presidential campaign, including serving as her delegate at the 1972 Democratic National Convention in Miami, FL.

Congresswoman Lee received her Masters of Social Work from the University of California, Berkeley, specializing in psychiatric social work. During her graduate work, Congresswoman Lee founded the Community Health Alliance for Neighborhood Growth and Education (CHANGE, Inc.) which provided mental health services to many of the East Bay's most vulnerable individuals.

In 1975, Congresswoman Lee joined the staff of Congressman Ron Dellums, where she eventually rose from an intern to chief of staff. During the eleven years she worked for Congressman Dellums, Congresswoman Lee was one of only a few women and persons of color to hold a senior position on Capitol Hill.

In 1998, Congresswoman Barbara Lee was elected to serve California's 9th congressional district (now the 13th) in a special election. In 2001, Congresswoman Lee received national attention as the only Member of Congress to oppose the authorization for the use of military force (AUMF) in the wake of the horrific events on September 11th. The Congresswoman believed this AUMF would become a blank check for endless war. As of 2013, this authorization had been used more than 30 times to engage in military action without Congressional oversight. Congresswoman Lee is working to repeal this blank check and restore Congress's constitutional oversight to matters of war and peace. She was also an outspoken opponent of the Iraq War.

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Date of Birth: **May 14, 1950**

Year Elected to Seat: **2008**

Education: **University of California Davis,
University of California Hastings College of
Law**

Committees Assignments:

- **Armed Services**
- **Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence**
- **Oversight and Reform**

Notes:

Representative Jackie Speier (D-CA-14)

Jackie Speier (pronounced SPEAR) has lived her entire life inside California's 14th Congressional District and in April 2008 was elected to represent the district in Congress. Previously she had served the residents of the San Francisco Peninsula while on the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors and later in the California State Assembly and State Senate. In total she has over 29 years of representative public service.

In January, 2013, Jackie was appointed to serve as a Vice Chair of a new congressional Gun Violence Prevention Task Force that is investigating new steps Congress can take now and in the future to reduce gun violence and prevent massacres like the shooting at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Connecticut.

During the 112th Congress, she introduced the "Do Not Track Me Online Act" to enable consumers to opt-out of any collection of personal information by websites, e-mail providers and other online entities. Jackie is widely credited with being the driving force behind forcing Craigslist to remove its Adult Services section and she is working with law enforcement and the airline and hotel industries in effort to stop human trafficking. She has also pushed for a crackdown on toxins in children's products, leading to the recall of 12 million "Shrek" drinking glasses sold at McDonald's.

Jackie received a BA in Political Science from the University of California at Davis and a JD from UC Hastings College of the Law. Along with her husband, Barry Dennis, and children, Jackson and Stephanie, Jackie is a proud fan of the 2012 World Champion San Francisco Giants and she enjoys yoga, golf and anything that allows her to spend time with her family.



Date of Birth: **November 16, 1980**

Year Elected to Seat: **2013**

Education: **University of Maryland, University of Maryland School of Law**

Committees Assignments:

- **Judiciary**
- **Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence**

Representative Eric Swalwell (D-CA-15)

Growing up in what now is California's Fifteenth Congressional District taught Eric Swalwell a lot about hard work, strong principles, and planning for a brighter future.

The oldest of four boys and son to Eric Sr., a retired police officer, and Vicky, who works as an administrative assistant, Swalwell was raised and attended public schools in the East Bay. A Division I soccer scholarship was his ticket to becoming the first person in his family to go to college. During college, he worked as an unpaid intern in the office of his representative, Congresswoman Ellen Tauscher, and so was on Capitol Hill on September 11, 2001. This inspired his first legislative achievement: using his Student Government Association position to create a public-private college scholarship program for students who lost parents in the attacks.

After earning undergraduate and law degrees from the University of Maryland, he returned to the East Bay to serve as a prosecutor in the Alameda County District Attorney's Office for seven years. He also served as chairman of the Dublin Heritage & Cultural Arts Commission, on the Dublin Planning Commission, and was elected to the Dublin City Council.

In keeping with his promise to work across the aisle, in his first term, Congressman Swalwell co-founded the bipartisan United Solutions Caucus to bring new Members together; the group meets regularly to advance common-sense solutions and overcome the partisan divide. And in his second term, Swalwell cofounded the bipartisan Sharing Economy Caucus to explore how this burgeoning new economic sector can benefit more Americans.

Congressman Swalwell's first-term legislative accomplishments include two of his bills signed into law – tied for the most bills signed from any freshman Member of his class – including one that incentivized charitable giving after Typhoon Haiyan devastated the Philippines. And, while serving on the Homeland Security Committee in his first term, he led a successful effort opposing a TSA proposal to allow certain knives aboard airplanes and advocated for enhancing airport perimeter security with innovative technological solutions.

Even while addressing national and international issues, Congressman Swalwell remains rooted in the region he represents. He flies home almost every weekend, and has been a leader in adopting social media such as Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and Snapchat as well as technology like Skype to stay in constant contact with constituents.

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Date of Birth: **April 13, 1952**

Year Elected to Seat: **2005**

Education: **California State University – Fresno**

Committees Assignments:

- **Foreign Affairs**
- **Agriculture**
- **Natural Resources**

Representative Jim Costa (D-CA-16)

Jim Costa represents California's 16th Congressional District. He has served the San Joaquin Valley in the U.S. House of Representatives since January of 2005. Raised on a dairy farm in Fresno's Kearney Park area, Congressman Costa is a third-generation family farmer. As a Member of Congress, Costa has applied his farming background to fighting for Valley water, agriculture, and the economy.

A lifelong resident of the Valley, Costa's committee assignments allow him to effectively advocate for the district. Costa uses his position on the Natural Resources Committee to fight for the Valley's fair share of water. This includes securing funding for dams, working to overturn unfair federal water regulations, and increasing Valley water allocations. On the Agriculture Committee, Costa has worked to increase federal support for Valley agriculture through the Farm Bill and other programs. When a milk price crisis devastated the region's dairy industry, Costa introduced legislation to protect Valley dairy families and local jobs. In addition to his committee assignments, Costa is a member of the fiscally-conservative Blue Dog Coalition and has worked with his colleagues to support more responsible budgeting practices.

Costa's work to improve the Valley stretches across the district. During his first term in office, Costa put together a broad-based bipartisan coalition aimed at developing a Regional Water Plan for Central California. He also led the negotiations between the City of Fresno and the State of California that secured the final funding necessary to complete the new Amtrak station in Fresno. During the 109th Congress, Costa played a leading role in the bipartisan effort to secure Highway 99 funding in the infrastructure bonds approved by California voters in 2006. Costa was also a principal in the successful effort to secure Congressional approval of plans to keep Fresno's 144th Air National Guard Fighter Wing viable well into the future. As the primary author of state legislation to create the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District, Costa continues to work with local and state officials to clean up the Valley's air.

Costa's efforts to strengthen Valley agriculture and the economy have been recognized by organizations like The American Farm Bureau Federation who named him a recipient of its "Friend of the Farm Bureau" award. Costa has also received the "Spirit of Enterprise" award by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. Costa's work to crack down on violent crime and advocate for victims' rights was recognized by the National Organization for Victim Assistance, which named him recipient of the Donald E. Santarelli Public Policy Award for demonstrating outstanding public policy leadership.

A product of Fresno County schools, Costa is a graduate of San Joaquin Memorial High School and has a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science from California State University, Fresno. Before being elected to the U.S. House of Representatives, Costa served for 24 years in the California State Legislature.

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Date of Birth: **September 13, 1976**

Year Elected to Seat: **2017**

Education: **University of Chicago, Yale University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Armed Services**
- **Oversight and Reform**
- **Budget**

Representative Ro Khanna (D-CA-17)

Congressman Ro Khanna represents California's 17th Congressional District, located in the heart of Silicon Valley, and is serving in his second term. Rep. Khanna sits on the House Budget, Armed Services, and Oversight and Reform committees and is first vice chair of the Congressional Progressive Caucus. He also serves as an Assistant Whip for the Democratic Caucus.

Rep. Khanna is committed to representing the people and ideas rooted in Silicon Valley to the nation and throughout the world. For each job created in the high-tech industry, another four jobs are created. The tech multiplier is even larger than the multiplier for U.S. manufacturing. Rep. Khanna will work to ensure the technology sector is at the forefront of U.S. economic policy and strive to provide opportunities to those our changing economy and technological revolution has left behind. To do so, the U.S. must implement policies that will not only create tech jobs in Silicon Valley but across America. This includes job training programs, economic development initiatives, re-wiring the U.S. labor market, and debt-free college to help working families prepare for the future.

Rep. Khanna was born in Philadelphia, PA, during America's bicentennial, to a middle-class family. Both of his parents immigrated to the United States in the 1970s from India in search of opportunity and a better life for their children. His father is a chemical engineer and his mother is a substitute school teacher. Rep. Khanna's commitment to public service was inspired by his grandfather who was active in Gandhi's independence movement, worked with Lala Lajpat Rai in India, and spent several years in jail for promoting human rights.

Prior to serving in Congress, Rep. Khanna taught economics at Stanford University, law at Santa Clara University, and American Jurisprudence at San Francisco State University. He wrote the book *Entrepreneurial Nation: Why Manufacturing is Still Key to America's Future* and worked as a lawyer specializing in intellectual property law. Rep. Khanna served in President Barack Obama's administration as Deputy Assistant Secretary at the U.S. Department of Commerce. In 2012, California Governor Jerry Brown appointed him to the California Workforce Investment Board. He has also provided pro bono legal counsel to Hurricane Katrina victims with the Mississippi Center for Justice, and co-authored an amicus brief on the fair housing U.S. Supreme Court case, *Mount Holly v. Mt. Holly Gardens Citizens in Action, Inc.*

Rep. Khanna graduated Phi Beta Kappa with a B.A. in Economics from the University of Chicago and received a law degree from Yale University. As a student at the University of Chicago, he walked precincts during Barack Obama's first campaign for the Illinois Senate in 1996. In his free time, Rep. Khanna enjoys cheering for the Golden State Warriors, watching movies, and traveling. He and his wife Ritu call Fremont, CA, home.

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Date of Birth: **December 13, 1942**

Year Elected to Seat: **1993**

Education: **Cañada College**

Committees Assignments:

- **Energy and Commerce**

Representative Anna G. Eshoo (D-CA-18)

Like the Silicon Valley region she represents, Congresswoman Anna G. Eshoo exemplifies innovation. She's creative, productive, a problem solver and a consensus builder. For over two decades in Congress, Rep. Eshoo has defended consumers, promoted American competitiveness and innovation, fought for access to health care for families and children, protected the environment, and encouraged development of clean energy technology.

Rep. Eshoo's work consistently earns the highest approval from a wide range of organizations, including the League of Conservation Voters, the Humane Society, the American Association of University Women, Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans, the Biotechnology Industry Organization, the American College of Emergency Physicians, and the Science Coalition. The San Jose Mercury News named her one of the ten most powerful women in Silicon Valley "because she sits on committees that oversee the Internet and biotech—areas vital to the valley's interests." In 2017, Rep. Eshoo was awarded the Statesmanship Award by the bipartisan United States Association of Former Members of Congress for her distinguished Congressional service and commitment to improving the lives of others.

Rep. Eshoo was born in New Britain, Connecticut, of Assyrian and Armenian heritage. She is the proud mother of two children, Karen and Paul.

Eshoo is a graduate of Cañada College and the CORO Foundation and was awarded an Honorary Degree by Menlo College. She was elected to the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors in 1982 and served on the County Board for ten years before being elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in 1992.

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Date of Birth: **December 21, 1947**

Year Elected to Seat: **1995**

Education: **Stanford University, University of Santa Clara Law School**

Committees Assignments:

- **House Administration (Chair)**
- **Science, Space and Technology**
- **Judiciary**

Notes:

Representative Zoe Lofgren (D-CA-19)

Zoe Lofgren has been a Democratic member of the United States House of Representatives since 1995. She represents the 19th District of California, based in the “Capital of Silicon Valley,” San Jose.

A lifelong Bay Area resident and the daughter of a truck driver and a cafeteria cook, Zoe attended public schools and attended Stanford University on a California State Scholarship, graduating with a bachelor’s degree in political science in 1970. Prior to attending Stanford, Lofgren worked the night shift at the Eastman Kodak plant in Palo Alto to save money for non-tuition college expenses not covered by her scholarship. After graduating from Stanford, she attended, with the help of a scholarship, Santa Clara University School of Law, graduating cum laude in 1975. She served as a member of Congressman Don Edwards’ staff for eight years in both his San Jose and Washington DC offices. While practicing and teaching immigration law, she was first elected to the San Jose Evergreen Community College Board in 1979. In 1980, she was elected to the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors where she served for 14 years. Following Congressman Don Edwards’ retirement in 1994 after 32 years in Congress, Zoe was elected to the House of Representatives.

In 2010, in part due to her work on the Development, Relief and Education for Alien Minors (DREAM) Act, then-Speaker Nancy Pelosi presented Zoe with the gavel used to preside over the passage of the bill in the House of Representatives.

Zoe is known for her work on patent reform, copyright issues, digital rights, and net neutrality. She successfully fought to initiate the “e-rate” that provides affordable internet access for schools, libraries, and rural health centers, and she is the author of legislation that would allow the unlocking of cellular phones and other digital devices to give owners more control over their devices. She led a bipartisan effort in the House to decontrol encryption technology.

A staunch advocate for digital rights, Zoe was the lead early opponent of the Stop Online Piracy Act (SOPA) and led a successful fight to stop bill in the House Judiciary Committee. Her Online Communications and Geolocation Protection Act would require law enforcement to obtain a warrant before retrieving communications and documents stored remotely or geolocation information about an individual, and her Secure Data Act

Zoe is married to John Marshall Collins and is the mother of two.



Date of Birth: **October 1, 1969**

Year Elected to Seat: **2017**

Education: **University of California – Davis,
Santa Clara University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Agriculture**
- **Ways and Means**
- **Budget**

Notes:

Representative Jimmy Panetta (D-CA-20)

Congressman Jimmy Panetta is dedicated to public service and proudly serves California's 20th Congressional District in the U.S. House of Representatives. His district includes Monterey and San Benito Counties, and parts of Santa Cruz and Santa Clara Counties. First elected 2016, he is serving his second term in Congress. He currently serves on the House Committee on Ways and Means, the House Committee on Budget, and the House Committee on Agriculture.

Having grown up on the central coast of California, Congressman Panetta understands the importance of giving back to the community and country that gave him and his family so much. He was instilled with a sense of public service and its importance to our democracy, and has made sure that his work is reflective of the values of the people who entrusted him to be their voice in our nation's capital.

During his time in Congress, he has fought for immigration reform, the continued protection of our pristine coastline and environment, affordable and accessible health care, to ensure that our agriculture industry and its farmers and farmworkers are taken care of, to reduce gun violence, for our military installations which are an integral part in our community and our country's national security, and for our veterans to receive the benefits that they were promised and deserve. Through policy implementation in Congress and service to constituents, he remains committed to being that bridge for the people of the Central Coast to the federal government and its resources.

In 2007, Congressman Panetta volunteered for active duty and was deployed to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. He worked with Special Forces units and as a result of his meritorious service in a combat zone, Congressman Panetta was awarded the Bronze Star. Upon returning home, he served as a board member of the Veterans Transition Center where he focused on ending veterans' homelessness and improving resources for his fellow veterans and their families. He was also instrumental in the opening of Monterey County's first Veterans Treatment Court to ensure veterans receive the services they earned. Moreover, he worked with local leaders and veterans to establish the Central Coast Veterans Cemetery on the former Fort Ord. He was honored to be named a Monterey County Veteran of the Year in 2015.

Growing up in Monterey County, Congressman Panetta attended Monterey Peninsula College and the local public schools. He graduated from the University of California at Davis with an undergraduate degree in International Relations and earned his law degree from Santa Clara University. His wife, Carrie McIntyre Panetta, is a Superior Court judge in Monterey County, and they have two daughters, Siri and Gia.



Date of Birth: **July 18, 1963**

Year Elected to Seat: **2019**

Education: **University of Nevada Reno,
Southern Methodist University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Agriculture**
- **Natural Resources**

Notes:

Representative TJ Cox (D-CA-21)

TJ Cox proudly represents California's 21st Congressional District. The District includes all of Kings County and portions of Fresno, Kern, and Tulare Counties. Elected in 2018, TJ was sworn into the 116th Congress on January 3, 2019.

A native of California, TJ is the son of Chinese and Filipino immigrants. His father, a professor of chemical engineering, inspired TJ to pursue a career in engineering. TJ's mother, an early trailblazer in the fight for equality and a survivor of the Japanese occupation of the Philippines, served as one of the first equal employment opportunity officers in Nevada.

A licensed engineer, TJ spent his early career working in construction and mining in the United States and around the world. After moving to the Central Valley two decades ago, TJ recognized the need for higher-wage jobs and started the Central Valley NMTC Fund, a certified community development entity that uses the federal New Markets Tax Credit program to bring jobs and opportunity to the Valley. To date, Central Valley NMTC Fund has created nearly 1500 jobs and built health clinics, job training facilities, a community multi-use sports complex and community learning centers throughout the Central Valley. They also helped fund the North Fork Bioenergy Plant, a 21st century power plant to bring renewable, clean power to California.

In addition to his work with the Central Valley NMTC Fund, TJ is the owner of two nut-processing businesses. TJ understands firsthand the importance of the agricultural industry as a driving force in California's economy.

TJ holds a B.S. in chemical engineering from the University of Nevada, Reno and an MBA from Southern Methodist University. He is married to Kathleen Murphy, MD, a pediatric intensive care physician at Valley Children's Hospital. They are the proud parents of four children.



Date of Birth: **October 1, 1973**

Year Elected to Seat: **2003**

Education: **California Polytechnic State University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, Ranking Member**
- **Ways and Means**

Chairman Devin Nunes (R-CA-22)

Devin Nunes (born October 1, 1973) has served in the U.S. House of Representatives since 2003. He currently represents California's 22nd congressional district, which is located in the San Joaquin Valley and includes portions of Tulare and Fresno Counties. He and his wife have three daughters.

Nunes was born in Tulare, California. His family is of Portuguese descent, having emigrated from the Azores to California. From childhood, he worked on a farm that his family has operated in Tulare County for three generations. He raised cattle as a teenager, used his savings to begin a harvesting business, and then bought his own farmland with his brother.

Nunes graduated from Tulare Union High School. He is the second Member of Congress to attend Tulare Union, following Olympic gold medalist Bob Mathias, who served in the House of Representatives from 1967 to 1975. After associate's work at College of the Sequoias, Nunes graduated from Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, where he received a bachelor's degree in agricultural business and a master's degree in agriculture.

Nunes was first elected to public office as one of California's youngest community college trustees in state history at the age of 23. As a member of the College of the Sequoias Board from 1996 to 2002, he was an advocate for distance learning and the expansion of programs available to high school students. In 2001, he was appointed by President George W. Bush to serve as California State Director for the United States Department of Agriculture's Rural Development section. He left this post to run for California's 21st congressional district and now serves in the 22nd district as a result of redistricting in 2010.

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Date of Birth: **January 26, 1965**

Year Elected to Seat: **2007**

Education: **California State University
Bakersfield**

Committees Assignments:

- **House Minority Leader**

House Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy (R-CA-23)

Congressman Kevin McCarthy proudly serves California's 23rd district and is currently the Republican Leader in the U.S. House of Representatives. Kevin was first elected to Congress in 2006 and is a native of Bakersfield and a fourth-generation Kern County resident. The grandson of a cattle rancher and the son of a firefighter, Kevin grew up a working-class family and is committed to preserving and promoting the American dream for hardworking Americans.

At the age of 21, Kevin started his own small business, Kevin O's Deli, from the ground up. As he worked hard, hired employees, and enjoyed success in his community, he soon learned—as all small business owners do—that the margins are thin, the hours are long, and that often Sacramento and Washington are obstacles, not aids, to success. The redundant and frivolous rules along with tedious paperwork and overburdening taxes compelled Kevin to enter public service.

He sold his business to put himself through college and graduate school at California State University, Bakersfield. While at school, he interned for Congressman Bill Thomas and later became a member of Congressman Thomas's staff. In 2000, he won his first public election as Trustee to the Kern Community College District and then, in 2002, he was elected to represent the 32nd Assembly District in the California State Assembly. As a freshman legislator, he was selected unanimously by his Republican colleagues to serve as the Assembly Republican Leader, becoming the first freshman legislator and the first legislator from Kern County to assume this top post in the California Legislature. Kevin worked with his colleagues in the Assembly and Senate and with the Governor to reduce California's budget deficit, overhaul the state workers' compensation system, and enhance California's business climate to create more opportunities for California workers and businesses.

After he was elected to Congress in 2006, Kevin quickly became Chief Deputy Whip and later served as Majority Whip. In 2014, he was elected Republican Leader in the House, where he now leads Congress in fighting for individual liberty, an efficient and effective government, free markets, and a vibrant civil society.

Since Kevin was elected to Congress, he and his Republican colleagues have blocked the largest tax increase in American history, cut out-of-control government spending, passed bills to create jobs, promoted North American energy independence, and fought to free Americans from the meddlesome influence of Washington in health care and beyond.

When Kevin is not in Washington working for the constituents of California's 23rd District and for the future of America, he is home in Bakersfield with his wife Judy and two children Connor and Meghan.

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Date of Birth: **November 18, 1964**

Year Elected to Seat: **2017**

Education: **University of California – Santa Barbara, Fielding University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Armed Services**
- **Agriculture**
- **Transportation and Infrastructure**

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Representative Salud Carbajal (D-CA-24)

Congressman Salud Carbajal proudly represents the 24th Congressional District of California. The District includes the entirety of San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara Counties, and a portion of Ventura County.

Prior to representing the Central Coast in Congress, Salud served as Santa Barbara County's First District Supervisor for twelve years. As County Supervisor, Salud championed the development of the Blue Ribbon Budget Task Force to examine our county operations and budget process. He has also advocated for health and social service safety net programs for our most vulnerable residents, co-sponsoring an initiative to provide health insurance for all the County's children and spearheading the creation of a job skills and mentorship program for at-risk youth throughout the County.

In Congress, Salud has demonstrated a strong commitment to protecting our natural environment and resources, enhancing public safety, creating economic opportunities, and working regionally to address our transportation, housing, and workforce challenges.

A long-time advocate for our environment, Salud's first act in Congress was the California Clean Coast Act which bans future offshore oil and gas drilling on California's coast. He also is a member of the bi-partisan Climate Solutions Caucus, which works across the aisle toward developing strategies for mitigating the effects of climate change.

Salud sits on both the House Committee on Armed Services and the House Committee on the Budget. Salud has used his role in the House Committee on Armed Services, to ensure the men and women serving in the military have the resources and support they need. Most recently, the Congressman has offered amendments in the National Defense Authorization act that would direct the Department of Defense to research the effects of climate change on military operations, develop educational partnerships between the Department of Defense and local colleges, and ensure female service members have adequate body armor suited to fit their needs.

Salud served eight years in the United States Marine Corps Reserve, including active duty service during the Gulf War in 1992 where he was mobilized to Jacksonville, North Carolina. As a veteran, Carbajal has worked to ensure the needs of our nations veterans are met. He successfully secured \$1 million for the Santa Barbara Veterans Treatment Courts and introduced legislation to combat veteran homelessness.

Carbajal graduated from the University of California at Santa Barbara (UCSB) and also holds a Master's Degree in Organizational Management from the Fielding University.

Carbajal is married to Gina and they are proud parents of Natasha and Michael.



Date of Birth: **August 25, 1987**

Year Elected to Seat: **2019**

Education: **College of the Canyons, California State University, Northridge**

Committees Assignments:

- **Oversight and Reform**
- **Armed Services**
- **Science, Space, and Technology**

Notes:

Representative Katie Hill (D-CA-25)

Katie Hill is the Congresswoman from California's 25th Congressional District, serving the Antelope, Simi, and Santa Clarita Valleys. The daughter of a registered nurse and police officer, Katie most recently worked as Executive Director of PATH (People Assisting The Homeless), the largest homeless services organization in California. Under Katie's leadership, in just four years PATH helped more than 7,000 chronically homeless individuals, veterans, and families make it off the streets into permanent housing. She was elected by her colleagues to be the Freshman Co-Representative to Leadership in the 116th Congress and was the first Member-elect to present the Democratic Weekly Address. Katie is an experienced change-maker working to give a voice to her community.



Date of Birth: **August 8, 1952**

Year Elected to Seat: **2013**

Education: **Mount Vernon College for Women,
American University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Transportation and Infrastructure**
- **Veterans' Affairs**

Representative Julia Brownley (D-CA-26)

Brownley began her career in public service in 1994 after deciding to run for the local school board as a way to advocate for a better education for her daughter, who had dyslexia, and other special-needs students. She won and served on the school board for three subsequent terms working to ensure that local schools provided a quality education for every student in the district. She was elected to the California State Legislature in 2006, where she served as Chairwoman of the Assembly Education Committee for four years. She also served on every educational committee in the Assembly, including the Committee on Higher Education, Budget Subcommittee No. 2 on Education Finance, and the State Allocation Board.

Then-Assemblywoman Brownley was awarded numerous honors for her leadership on education and the environment. She was one of just 10 legislators in 2011 with lifetime perfect scores by the California League of Conservation Voters. Brownley received “Legislator of the Year” awards, the highest honor a legislator can receive, from the California Association for Bilingual Education, the California Council for Adult Education and California Adult Education Administrators Association, the Congress of California Seniors, the California School Boards Association, the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards, the California Federation of Teachers, and the California League of High Schools. Brownley also received the “2010 Environmental Champions Award” from the Environmental Working Group, and was honored as one of “12 Remarkable Women” by the National Women’s Political Caucus, Los Angeles Westside in 2008 and as the “Woman of the Year” by the YWCA in 2005.

After graduating with a B.A. in political science from George Washington University and earning an M.B.A. from American University, Congresswoman Brownley worked in marketing in private industry before finding her true calling in public service. She resides in Thousand Oaks, and has two children: Fred, who graduated from UCLA Medical School and is currently doing his residency in Chicago, and Hannah, who works on poverty and HIV/AIDS prevention in Africa for an international aid organization.

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Date of Birth: **July 7, 1953**

Year Elected to Seat: **2009**

Education: **University of California Los Angeles, California School of Professional Psychology**

Committees Assignments:

- **Ways and Means**
- **Small Business**

Representative Judy Chu (D-CA-27)

Judy Chu was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in July 2009. She represents the 27th Congressional District, which includes Pasadena and the west San Gabriel Valley of southern California.

Rep. Chu currently serves on the powerful House Ways and Means Committee, which has jurisdiction over legislation pertaining to taxes, revenues, Social Security, and Medicare. In that Committee, Rep. Chu is a member of the Subcommittees on Health and Human Resources, giving her oversight over healthcare reform and crucial safety net programs.

She also serves on the House Small Business Committee, which has oversight of the Small Business Administration, and is a member of the Subcommittee on Economic Growth, Tax and Capital Access.

Chu was first elected to the Board of Education for Garvey School District in 1985. From there, she was elected to the Monterey Park City Council, where she served as Mayor three times. She then was elected to the State Assembly and then California's elected tax board, known as the State Board of Equalization. In 2009, she became the first Chinese American woman elected to Congress in history.

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Date of Birth: **June 22, 1960**

Year Elected to Seat: **2001**

Education: **Stanford University, Harvard Law School**

Committees Assignments:

- **Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, Chairman**

Representative Adam Schiff (D-CA-28)

Congressman Adam Schiff represents California's 28th Congressional District, and throughout his tenure in Congress, he has focused on growing the economy, bolstering national security, strengthening our communities, helping small businesses, and improving education, safety and health care for our children. In his 10th term in the House of Representatives, Schiff currently serves as the Chair of the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence. The House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence oversees the nation's intelligence agencies including components of the Departments of Defense, Homeland Security, Justice, State and Energy. Schiff is currently on a leave of absence from the House Appropriations Committee.

In addition to his committee work, Schiff's top priority is to create jobs and help improve the economy. Schiff has always believed that small businesses have been the true engine of growth in challenging economic times and has been fighting to enact tax relief for small businesses, to assist them with access to capital and to remove burdensome regulations. Schiff also believes that reestablishing America as a manufacturing powerhouse is crucial. Through these efforts, American businesses can begin growing and adding jobs again so that all Americans can enjoy a brighter, more prosperous future.

Born on June 22, 1960, Adam is a graduate of Stanford University and Harvard Law School. He and his wife Eve (yes, it's true – Adam and Eve) have two children, a daughter, Alexa, and a son, Elijah.

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Date of Birth: **March 31, 1963**

Year Elected to Seat: **2013**

Education: **University of California - Santa Barbara**

Committees Assignments:

- **Energy and Commerce**

Representative Tony Cardenas (D-CA-29)

Raised by hard-working immigrant parents, Tony Cárdenas was brought up with simple ideals – that integrity and dedication were the keys to success. These are the qualities that he has brought to his career as a public servant, and he continues to offer that today as a United States Congressman.

Rep. Cárdenas was first elected to the United States House of Representatives in 2013 for the 113th Congress (2013-2014) and has represented California's 29th district since.

While only serving in Congress for three terms, Rep. Cárdenas has committed to bringing awareness and change to the issues most important to the San Fernando Valley and its families. He has been recognized locally and nationally for his stance on common sense gun reform, juvenile justice, and championing solutions that will make the U.S. economy even stronger to bring better-paying jobs to the American people.

Before representing California's 29th district in Congress, Rep. Cárdenas was first elected to the California State Assembly in 1996. He went on to serve three terms in the assembly and was later elected to the Los Angeles City Council, in 2003. An engineering degree and a business background prepared him for the day-to-day duties of an elected official, while his experience allowed him to find practical and realistic solutions to difficult problems. Born in Pacoima, Rep. Cárdenas was raised with ten brothers and sisters and still resides in the San Fernando Valley with his wife, Norma, and their children.

Having served more than 20 years in public office, Rep. Tony Cárdenas made history when he became the first Latino elected to represent the San Fernando Valley in the United States Congress. He will continue his passionate commitment to the community in Washington.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **October 24, 1954**

Year Elected to Seat: **1997**

Education: **UCLA, Harvard Law School**

Committees Assignments:

- **Financial Services**
- **Foreign Affairs**
- **Science, Space, and Technology**

Representative Brad Sherman (D-CA-30)

Congressman Brad Sherman, from Sherman Oaks, was born and raised in southern California and represents California's San Fernando Valley. He has been in the U.S. House of Representatives since 1997, serving his eleventh term in Congress.

During his tenure in Congress, Sherman has developed a reputation as a strong advocate for fiscal responsibility, a balanced budget, federal aid to education, the interests of working families, strong environmental standards, the protection of Social Security and Medicare, and policies to expand U.S. exports.

According to USA Today and The Washington Post, Congressman Sherman led the effort to prevent taxpayer dollars from being used for unlimited bailouts to Wall Street giants. In 2009, he took an important role in crafting legislation that ended bailouts putting taxpayers on the hook for risky Wall Street behavior, by successfully defeating the Treasury Department's proposal for permanent, unlimited TARP.

Congressman Sherman's public service career includes serving on the California State Board of Equalization from 1991 to 1996. He was Chairman of the Board from 1991 to 1995. As a board member, Sherman led the successful fight to repeal the snack tax, which previously required grocers to differentiate between a cupcake and a muffin, imposing an inconsistent tax burden on needy Californians.

Before joining Congress, Sherman was on staff at one of the nations' big-four CPA firms. Sherman is a Tax Law Specialist and a CPA. While at the firm, he audited large businesses and governmental entities, provided tax law counsel on multi-million dollar transactions, advised entrepreneurs and small businesses on tax and investment issues, and helped represent the Government of the Philippines under President Aquino in a successful effort to seize assets of deposed President Marcos. Sherman was also an instructor at Harvard Law School's International Tax Program.

Sherman is married to Lisa Kaplan Sherman and is the father of 3 daughters, Molly, Naomi, and Lucy.

Sherman received a Bachelor's degree from the University of California, Los Angeles, where he graduated Summa Cum Laude. Sherman was also an accounting tutor during his time at UCLA. Later he received his law degree from Harvard, where he graduated Magna Cum Laude.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **June 19, 1979**

Year Elected to Seat: **2015**

Education: **University of Redlands**

Committees Assignments:

- **Appropriations**
- **House Administration**

Representative Pete Aguilar (D-CA-31)

Pete Aguilar represents the 31st Congressional District of California. He was most recently re-elected in 2018 and serves on the House Appropriations Committee. In the 116th Congress, Rep. Aguilar holds the leadership positions of Whip of the New Democrat Coalition and Chief Deputy Whip in the House Democratic Caucus.

Raising his family in the community his family has called home for four generations, Representative Aguilar understands the challenges that Inland Empire families face today. He started his first job at the age of twelve, working with his grandfather at the San Bernardino County Courthouse cafeteria. He then put himself through college with the assistance of student loans and federal grants, and later established a life in public service to give back to his community.

Representative Aguilar is a voice for middle-class families throughout San Bernardino County and prioritizes legislation that will nurture a more fair economy, where everyone has the opportunity to succeed. He is committed to policies that create jobs, support our students, reform our broken immigration system, and safeguard vital programs for seniors and veterans.

Representative Aguilar previously served as the Mayor of Redlands, where he earned a reputation for his bipartisanship and steadfast commitment to making his community a better place to live, work, and raise a family. He resides in Redlands with his wife Alisha and their two sons.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **December 4, 1936**

Year Elected to Seat: **1999**

Education: **Cerritos College, Texas Southmost College**

Committees Assignments:

- **Transportation and Infrastructure**
- **Natural Resources**

Representative Grace Flores Napolitano (D-CA-32)

Grace Flores Napolitano was born in Brownsville, Texas. After high school, she married and moved with her husband to California where they raised 5 children. She began her political career in 1986 as a member of the Norwalk City Council, and in 1989 Napolitano's fellow council members selected her to serve as Mayor. During her tenure, she addressed the city's need for jobs and reliable public transportation. Napolitano was elected in 1992 to the California Assembly, where she quickly earned a reputation as a hard worker and champion for international trade/economic expansion, environmental protection, transportation, immigration, small business, and women's issues.

First elected to Congress in 1998, Napolitano is currently serving her tenth term. Her Los Angeles County-based district covers several cities and communities in the San Gabriel Valley. Napolitano serves on the House Committee on Transportation & Infrastructure and is currently the Ranking Member on the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment. She continues to advance projects and policies that relieve congestion, improve transit, and reduce the negative impacts her district takes on as a primary shipping corridor from the Ports of Long Beach and Los Angeles. Napolitano also serves on the House Committee on Natural Resources and is a long-time promoter of conservation, water recycling, desalination, and groundwater management as solutions to Southern California's water needs.

Napolitano is the founder and Chair of the Congressional Mental Health Caucus. She has been active in securing mental health parity in the Affordable Care Act, promoting mental health legislation, and working with prominent figures to increase funding and access to mental health services in Congress. Her 2001 program providing mental health and suicide prevention services on-site in four schools has expanded to 26 schools with assistance from Los Angeles County Mental Health, which now serves as a model program for H.R. 2913, the Mental Health in Schools Act. She is also the founder and Co-Chair of the Congressional Youth Challenge Caucus, which supports Youth Challenge: a program run by the National Guard cadre using military discipline and education to help at-risk youth complete high school to emerge better armed with knowledge and training for success. The Congresswoman is a member and former Chairwoman of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus, which addresses the impact of national issues on the Hispanic community.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **March 29, 1969**

Year Elected to Seat: **2015**

Education: **Stanford University, Georgetown University Law Center**

Committees Assignments:

- **Judiciary**
- **Foreign Affairs**

Representative Ted Lieu (D-CA-33)

Ted W. Lieu represents California's 33rd Congressional District in the United States House of Representatives. Ted is serving in his third term in Congress and currently serves on the House Judiciary Committee and the House Foreign Affairs Committee. He was also elected by his Democratic Colleagues to serve as a Co-Chair of the Democratic Policy and Communications Committee.

Ted is a former active duty officer in the U.S. Air Force and currently serves as a Colonel in the Reserves, stationed at Los Angeles Air Force Base. In Congress, Ted has established himself as a leader on the environment; cybersecurity; civil liberties; government ethics and veterans.

Prior to serving in Congress, Ted was elected to the California State Senate in 2011 and the State Assembly in 2005. Ted's legislative accomplishments include authoring landmark legislation regulating the subprime mortgage industry; a first-in-the-nation ban on gay conversion therapy for children; and a first-in-the-nation ban on the use of tanning beds for minors. Ted fought for California state tax reform that saved small businesses from millions in retroactive taxes, and tax incentives for film and TV production. Ted also co-authored California's landmark Global Warming Solutions Act and co-authored the law banning state pension funds from investing in Iran's nuclear and energy industries.

Looking for a better life and opportunity, Ted and his family immigrated to the United States when he was three years old. His parents went to flea markets and sold gifts and jewelry to make ends meet. Ted's family went from being poor and not speaking English well to opening up a gift store where Ted and his brother would help out in the family business. After many years of perseverance his parents were eventually able to expand to six stores. With the support of hard-working parents and a country that provided limitless opportunity, Ted would go on to attend Stanford for his undergraduate degrees in Computer Science and Political Science, and then Georgetown University, where he received his law degree magna cum laude after serving as Editor-in-Chief of the law review. Ted also received four American Jurisprudence Awards.

After serving active duty, Ted joined the law firm of Munger, Tolles & Olson as a litigator. In 2003, Ted joined the legal office at UBS Financial Services.

Ted's wife, Betty, is a Water Commissioner and a former California Deputy Attorney General. They live in Torrance with their two sons, Brennan and Austin.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **November 25, 1974**

Year Elected to Seat: **2017**

Education: **University of California - Los Angeles, Harvard University - John F. Kennedy School of Government**

Committees Assignments:

- **Ways and Means**
- **Oversight and Government Reform**

Notes:

Congressman Jimmy Gomez (D-CA-34)

Jimmy Gomez proudly represents California's 34th Congressional District, among the most diverse and culturally rich districts in the country. He is a working-class progressive fighting to lift working families, defend our environment, and protect and expand access to high quality, affordable health care.

He is a member of the powerful House Committee on Ways and Means, serving on the Subcommittee on Health and the Subcommittee on Worker & Family Support. Rep. Jimmy Gomez also serves as co-chair in the House Democratic Caucus' Rebuilding America Task Force and is a member of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus (CHC), Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus (CAPAC), Congressional Progressive Caucus (CPC), Bipartisan Task Force for Combating Anti-Semitism, Congressional Labor and Working Families Caucus, Congressional Taiwan Caucus, and Future Forum.

Prior to his election to Congress in June of 2017, Rep. Jimmy Gomez served four and a half years in the California State Assembly, where he distinguished himself as a proven national champion on the issues of Paid Family Leave and combatting climate change. He became a key figure in authoring landmark legislation to address public health, environmental justice, water conservation, access to education, civic engagement, campaign finance disclosure, LGBT rights, and affordable housing. In only his second term, he served as chair of the influential Assembly Appropriations Committee.

Rep. Jimmy Gomez attended Riverside Community College before receiving a B.A. in Political Science from the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA), and a M.A. in Public Policy from Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government. He lives in Eagle Rock with his wife, Mary Hodge, and dog, Austin. He is a proud fan of the Los Angeles Dodgers.



Date of Birth: **April 4, 1965**

Year Elected to Seat: **2015**

Education: **National Labor College**

Committees Assignments:

- **Appropriations**
- **Rules**

Representative Norma Torres (D-CA-35)

Congresswoman Norma J. Torres represents California's 35th congressional district which includes Bloomington, Chino, Fontana, Montclair, Ontario, Pomona, and Rialto. She previously served as a State Senator, Assembly Member, and as a Mayor and Council Member in the City of Pomona. Throughout her career in elected office, Norma Torres has worked to make government more responsive to the needs of Inland Empire residents.

As a State Senator, Torres played a significant role in making the Affordable Care Act work for California's patients and consumers. She led efforts to increase access to care and improve the quality of care in underserved areas. Her law to diversify the Covered California Board so that it is better prepared to enroll the uninsured earned her statewide recognition and national attention. She also championed a law to generate more revenue for programs that train and place doctors in medically underserved communities. Understanding that our healthcare system often results in many prescription drug patients paying more for treatments than is necessary, Torres passed a consumer protection law that requires health insurance companies to be more transparent in the way they present information about prescription drugs covered by their plans.

During her time in the Legislature, Norma Torres also led efforts to provide financial assistance to millions of California families negatively impacted by the great recession. As Chair of the Committee on Housing and Community Development, she led an effort that secured \$2 billion in federal funds for the "Keep Your Home California" program which helped thousands of families keep their homes during the foreclosure crisis. She also passed the Homeowner's Bill of Rights and authored legislation to accelerate the construction of affordable housing, help delinquent homeowners refinance their second mortgages, and make it easier for returning veterans to purchase homes.

Since coming to Congress, Torres has worked to make sure Washington is responsive to the needs of Inland Empire residents. At the beginning of her term she launched a Job Creation Listening Tour where she met with over 200 business owners, employees, education professionals, and local economic leaders to hear straight from the community how best to foster economic growth and create jobs in the Inland Empire. Upon completion of the tour, she released a report detailing her recommendations titled "A Roadmap to Economic Resilience in the Inland Empire" and has since introduced two pieces of legislation, the Regional Infrastructure Accelerator Act and the JOBS Act, based on those recommendations.

Torres immigrated to the United States from Guatemala at age five and is a longtime resident of the Inland Empire. She resides in Pomona with her husband Louis, and their sons Robert and Matthew. A proud supporter of the US military, her third son, Christopher, is a veteran of the United States Air Force. Torres received her bachelor's degree in Labor Studies from the National Labor College in Silver Springs, Maryland.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **August 25, 1972**

Year Elected to Seat: **2013**

Education: **University of California Los Angeles, Harvard University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Energy and Commerce**

Representative Raul Ruiz (D-CA-36)

U.S. Representative Raul Ruiz, M.D., grew up in the community of Coachella, California, where both of his parents were farmworkers.

Dr. Ruiz achieved his lifelong dream of becoming a physician through public education. After graduating from Coachella Valley High School, Dr. Ruiz graduated magna cum laude from UCLA. He went on to Harvard University, where he earned his Medical Degree, as well as a Masters of Public Policy from the Kennedy School of Government and a Masters of Public Health from the School of Public Health, becoming the first Latino to earn three graduate degrees from Harvard University. He completed his Residency in Emergency Medicine at the University of Pittsburgh and a Fellowship in International Emergency Medicine at Brigham and Women's Hospital. During his training, Dr. Ruiz served as a consultant to the Ministries of Health of both Serbia and El Salvador.

Dr. Ruiz returned home after completing his medical training and began working as an Emergency Room doctor at Eisenhower Medical Center. Recognizing the physician shortage crisis in the Coachella Valley, Dr. Ruiz started a pre-medical mentorship program for young aspiring doctors, which has grown to include over 100 local students.

The program became part of the University of California, Riverside School of Medicine, where Dr. Ruiz served as a Senior Associate Dean. Through the group Volunteers in Medicine, he helped to open a free clinic to help underserved communities in the Coachella Valley.

In 2010, Dr. Ruiz started the Coachella Valley Healthcare Initiative, which brought together stakeholders from across the region to address the local healthcare crisis. He has also worked internationally in the medical community. In 2010, Dr. Ruiz flew to Haiti immediately following the 2010 earthquake and served as the Medical Director for the J/P Haitian Relief Organization. The U.S. Army's 82nd Airborne awarded him the Commanders Award for Public Service for his work.

Dr. Ruiz continued his work as an Emergency Room Doctor until he was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in 2012. He represents California's 36th District, which includes the entire Coachella Valley, as well as the cities of Banning, Beaumont, Blythe, Hemet and San Jacinto. He resides in Palm Desert, CA.

Dr. Ruiz currently serves on the House Energy and Commerce Committee.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **October 3, 1953**

Year Elected to Seat: **2011**

Education: **California State University - Dominguez Hills**

Committees Assignments:

- **Foreign Affairs**
- **Judiciary**

Notes:

Representative Karen Bass (D-CA-37)

Karen Bass was elected to Congress as the Representative from California's 37th Congressional District in November 2010. She also serves as the national co-chair of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee's Women LEAD organization, which recruits and raises money to support Democratic women running for Congress. Bass is also a member of the Congressional Black Caucus and the Congressional Progressive Caucus.

Prior to serving as the Representative from District 37, Bass made history when the California Assembly elected her to be its 67th Speaker, catapulting her to become the first African American woman in U.S. history to serve in this powerful state legislative role. Bass served as Speaker during California's greatest economic crisis since the Great Depression. Before serving as an elected official, Rep. Bass became interested in community activism as a child watching the Civil Rights movement with her father. It was at that time that Rep. Bass made a lifetime commitment to effecting social change in her community and abroad. She worked for nearly a decade as a Physician Assistant and served as a clinical instructor at the University of Southern California's Keck School of Medicine Physician Assistant Program. In 1990 she responded to the crisis of crack-cocaine and gang violence in Los Angeles by starting and running the Community Coalition, a community-based social justice organization in South Los Angeles that empowers residents to become involved in making a difference. Through her leadership at the Community Coalition, Rep. Bass worked to address the drug and violence epidemic and to engage community residents in addressing the root causes of injustice.

Bass had one daughter, Emilia Bass-Lechuga and son-in-law Michael Wright. Bass continues to be inspired by Emilia and Michael's passion for life. Emilia planned to follow in her mother's footsteps working for social change. Rep. Bass also has four step children. She grew up with three brothers in the Venice/Fairfax area of Los Angeles. She is the only daughter of DeWitt and Wilhelmina Bass. She graduated from Hamilton High School, Cal State Dominguez Hills, and the University of Southern California's School of Medicine Physician Assistant Program.



Date of Birth: **January 28, 1969**

Year Elected to Seat: **2003**

Education: **University of California Berkeley,
University of California Los Angeles School of
Law**

Committees Assignments:

- **Ways and Means**

Representative Linda T. Sánchez (D-CA-38)

Nationally recognized as a leading progressive voice in Congress for working families, Congresswoman Linda T. Sánchez has fought to strengthen our communities by helping small businesses create more good paying jobs, increasing access to educational opportunities, and helping hard working people get ahead.

Linda Sánchez served as Vice Chair of the House Democratic Caucus in the 115th Congress (2017-2019), the fifth-highest ranking position in House Democratic Leadership. In this leadership position, she focused on strengthening the American Dream for men and women all across the country. Linda is the first Latina elected to a leadership position in the U.S. Congress.

Linda Sánchez serves on the powerful and prestigious House Committee on Ways and Means. Ways and Means is the chief tax-writing committee in Congress and also plays a critical role in federal legislation on trade, Social Security, and Medicare. As a member of the Ways and Means Committee, Linda is a steadfast advocate for protecting seniors' Social Security and Medicare, ensuring U.S. workers and their employers get a fair deal in trade agreements, and reforming the tax code to create an even playing field for the middle class.

Prior to the 116th Congress, Linda Sánchez served in a number of leadership positions. From 2011-2017, she served as Ranking Member on the House Ethics Committee. From May 2014 to December 2016, she served on the Select Committee on Benghazi. In the 114th Congress (2015-2017), Linda served as the Chair for the Congressional Hispanic Caucus (CHC), a 26-member organization dedicated to advocating for the important issues affecting our nation's growing Hispanic and Latino community.

Linda Sánchez has served in the United States House of Representatives since 2003 and currently represents California's 38th Congressional District. She is dedicated to reducing crime in our communities, making schools safe for all children, providing quality education and affordable health care, and cleaning up the air and water in Southern California.

The 38th district Linda represents includes the communities of Artesia, Bellflower, Cerritos, East La Mirada, Hawaiian Gardens, Lakewood, La Mirada, La Palma, Los Nietos, Montebello, Norwalk, Pico Rivera, Santa Fe Springs, South El Monte, and Whittier. From 2003 – 2013, Linda represented California's 39th Congressional District, which included many of the communities she currently represents.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **February 12, 1971**

Year Elected to Seat: **2019**

Education: **George Washington University,
Regis University, Brown University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Armed Services**
- **Veterans' Affairs**

Representative Gil Cisneros (D-CA-39)

U.S. Representative Cisneros began his Congressional career in January 2019 for California's 39th District based in Orange, Los Angeles, and San Bernardino Counties. In Congress, he serves on the House Armed Services Committee and the House Committee on Veterans Affairs. He is also a member of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus, the Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus, the New Democrats, the LGBT Equality Caucus, the Sustainable Energy and Environment Coalition, and the Congressional Progressive Caucus.

Before Congress, he served in the Navy for ten years, reaching the rank of Lt. Commander and attended college on a Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps (R.O.T.C.) scholarship. Gil was the first in his family to graduate from college, he has a B.A. in Political Science from The George Washington University and also holds an MBA from Regis University and M.A. in Urban Education Policy from Brown.

Following his service and education, he worked as a shipping and production manager for Frito-Lay, before having the good fortune of winning the California Lottery. He and his wife used their winnings to start the Gilbert and Jacki Cisneros Foundation, which invests in students and veterans and college access and affordability programs. Gil is the son of a public school cafeteria worker and a Vietnam veteran, he and his wife Jacki are residents of Yorba Linda as well as parents to a pair of twin boys.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **June 12, 1941**

Year Elected to Seat: **1993**

Education: **California State University Los Angeles**

Committees Assignments:

- **Appropriations**

Representative Lucille Roybal-Allard (D-CA-40)

In 1992, Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard became the first Mexican-American woman elected to Congress. As a Member of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Congresswoman has worked tirelessly to create jobs, improve health services, and create stronger, better educational opportunities for her constituents in California's 40th Congressional District. She also ranks as one of the House's foremost supporters of immigration reform, a strong homeland security system, labor unions, veterans, and the rights of women and children.

Congresswoman Roybal-Allard is the first Latina to serve on the House Appropriations Committee, and the first Latina to serve as a chair or ranking member on a House Appropriations Subcommittee.

From her position on the House Appropriations Committee, the Congresswoman has secured millions of dollars to create jobs on much-needed local construction and transportation projects, and at organizations throughout her district. She has been at the forefront of the fight to improve the quality and affordability of health services, and has led legislative efforts to protect the health of mothers and babies. She has successfully secured funding for local health needs, including infant and child care, prenatal health, dental care, HIV testing, substance abuse, diabetes treatment, and telehealth services. She has been equally successful in obtaining federal dollars for local education and labor projects, including job training and placement services, arts and vocational education, afterschool care, early education, magnet schools, and English literacy programs.

Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard is the eldest daughter of the late Congressman Edward R. Roybal and Lucille Beserra Roybal. She is married to Edward T. Allard III. Together, she and her husband have four children and nine grandchildren. She received her bachelor's degree from California State University, Los Angeles. She also holds an honorary doctor of humane letters degree from National Hispanic University.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **December 10, 1960**

Year Elected to Seat: **2013**

Education: **Harvard University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Education and Labor**
- **Veterans' Affairs (Chair)**

Representative Mark Takano (D-CA-41)

For more than twenty years, Mark Takano has worked to improve the lives of Riverside County residents, both as an elected official and as a teacher at Rialto High School.

Born and raised in Riverside, Mark's commitment to public service began at an early age. His family roots in Riverside go back to his grandparents who, along with his parents, were removed from their respective homes and sent to Japanese American Internment camps during World War II. After the war, these two families settled in Riverside County to rebuild their lives.

Mark attended La Sierra High School in the Alvord Unified School District, and in 1979 he graduated as the school's valedictorian. Mark attended Harvard College and received his bachelor's degree in Government in 1983. As a student, he bused tables to help make ends meet. During his senior year, he organized a transcontinental bicycle ride to benefit the international development agency Oxfam America.

Upon graduation, Mark returned home to Riverside and began teaching in the Rialto Unified School District in 1988. As a classroom teacher, Mark confronted the challenges in our public education system daily.

In 1990, Mark was elected to the Riverside Community College District's Board of Trustees. At RCC, Mark worked with Republicans and Democrats to improve higher education for young people and job training opportunities for adults seeking to learn a new skill or start a new career. He was elected Board President in 1991 and helped the Board and the District gain stability and direction amid serious fiscal challenges.

In 2012, Mark became the first openly gay person of color to be elected to Congress.

Mark Takano represents the people of Riverside, Moreno Valley, Jurupa Valley and Perris in the United States House of Representatives. He serves as Chairman of the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and as a member of the Education and Workforce Committee.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **June 8, 1953**

Year Elected to Seat: **1993**

Education: **San Diego State University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Appropriations**

Representative Ken Calvert (R-CA-42)

Ken Calvert, a lifelong resident of Riverside County and 17-year small business owner in the restaurant and real estate industries, represents the 42nd Congressional District of southern California. Calvert was born on June 8, 1953 and attended neighborhood public schools, graduating from Corona High School in 1971. He attended two years at Chaffey College, in Alta Loma, and then enrolled at San Diego State University, where he graduated in 1975 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics. Ken is a Protestant and is involved in several local community volunteer organizations.

The 42nd District encompasses the western edge of Riverside County including the cities of Eastvale, Norco, Corona, Lake Elsinore, Wildomar, Canyon Lake, Menifee, Murrieta and a portion of Temecula. Rep. Calvert was first elected to the House in 1992 and was part of the historic "Contract with America" in 1994 that swept the House to Republican control for the first time in 40 years.

In the 115th Congress, Rep. Calvert continues to serve on the House Appropriations Committee where he is the Chairman of the Interior and the Environment Subcommittee. Rep. Calvert is also the Vice-Chairman of the Defense Subcommittee and a member of the Energy and Water Subcommittee. Rep. Calvert was also selected to serve as the Chairman of the California Republican Delegation.

In the 115th Congress, Rep. Calvert's legislative priorities includes: enacting pro-growth policies that will help strengthen our economy; reducing our national debt; reforming our tax code; supporting our military around the world; strengthening our borders and making the use of E-Verify mandatory for all employers in the U.S.; creating long-term solutions to California's water challenges; reducing the time it takes to build infrastructure projects by making common sense, bi-partisan reforms to our environmental laws; and, much more.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **August 15, 1938**

Year Elected to Seat: **1991**

Education: **California State University Los Angeles**

Committees Assignments:

- **Financial Services, Chairwoman**

Representative Maxine Waters (D-CA-43)

Congresswoman Maxine Waters is considered by many to be one of the most powerful women in American politics today. She has gained a reputation as a fearless and outspoken advocate for women, children, people of color and the poor.

Elected in November 2016 to her fourteenth term in the U.S. House of Representatives with more than 70 percent of the vote in the 43rd Congressional District of California, Congresswoman Waters represents a large part of South Central Los Angeles including the communities of Westchester, Playa Del Rey, and Watts and the unincorporated areas of Los Angeles County comprised of Lennox, West Athens, West Carson, Harbor Gateway and El Camino Village. The 43rd District also includes the diverse cities of Gardena, Hawthorne, Inglewood, Lawndale, Lomita and Torrance.

Throughout her 37 years of public service, Maxine Waters has been on the cutting edge, tackling difficult and often controversial issues. She has combined her strong legislative and public policy acumen and high visibility in Democratic Party activities with an unusual ability to do grassroots organizing.

Prior to her election to the House of Representatives in 1990, Congresswoman Waters had already attracted national attention for her no-nonsense, no-holds-barred style of politics. During 14 years in the California State Assembly, she rose to the powerful position of Democratic Caucus Chair. She was responsible for some of the boldest legislation California has ever seen: the largest divestment of state pension funds from South Africa; landmark affirmative action legislation; the nation's first statewide Child Abuse Prevention Training Program; the prohibition of police strip searches for nonviolent misdemeanors; and the introduction of the nation's first plant closure law.

Maxine Waters was born in St. Louis, Missouri, the fifth of 13 children reared by a single mother. She began working at age 13 in factories and segregated restaurants. After moving to Los Angeles, she worked in garment factories and at the telephone company. She attended California State University at Los Angeles, where she earned a Bachelor of Arts degree. She began her career in public service as a teacher and a volunteer coordinator in the Head Start program.

She is married to Sidney Williams, the former U.S. Ambassador to the Commonwealth of the Bahamas. She is the mother of two adult children, Edward and Karen, and has two grandchildren.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **September 15, 1976**

Year Elected to Seat: **2017**

Education: **University of California – Los Angeles, University of Southern California**

Committees Assignments:

- **Energy and Commerce**
- **Homeland Security**

Representative Nanette Barragán (D-CA-44)

Nanette Diaz Barragán was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in November 2016, becoming the first Latina ever to represent California's 44th Congressional district.

Born in Harbor City and growing up in its surrounding harbor communities, Nanette's humble beginnings shaped her interest in issues that matter locally: environmental and health justice, immigration reform, strengthening the economy, and affordable and accessible education.

As the youngest of eleven children raised by immigrant parents from Mexico, Nanette knows about the challenges that many low-income minority families face firsthand. Her father, a local repairman, instilled in her a strong work ethic and influenced her love for baseball (in particular, for the Los Angeles Dodgers). Her mother, who only completed the 3rd grade, cleaned homes, cared for others, and worked in factories to make ends meet. Nanette learned from her parents values of hard work, and obtained her undergraduate degree from UCLA and her Juris Doctor from USC Gould School of Law.

With a desire to give back to her communities, in the late 1990s Nanette began her career in public service. She steered outreach efforts for African Americans in the Office of Public Liaison for the Clinton White House and worked for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) focusing on racial health disparities and discrimination.

Nanette was the first woman in 12 years to be elected to the Hermosa Beach City Council, and was then elected by her peers as the first-ever Latina to serve as Mayor of the beach city. During her two-year term on the city council, Nanette was a strong advocate for environmental justice – she successfully stood up to a powerful oil company and stopped a proposal to drill 34 oil and water injection wells in Hermosa Beach and out into the Santa Monica Bay.

Nanette served as an extern to Justice Carlos Moreno of the Supreme Court of California and, at the Los Angeles Legal Aid Foundation, she fought for justice for low-income families.

In 2016, Nanette decided to take her advocacy to the national level. She ran to represent her neighbors, friends, and family members in Congress, with a focus on bringing change and opportunities for those who need it most.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **January 3, 1974**

Year Elected to Seat: **2019**

Education: **Yale University, Harvard University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Financial Services**

Representative Katie Porter (D-CA-45)

Katherine Moore Porter (born January 3, 1974) is an American attorney and politician from the state of California who is the U.S. Representative for California's 45th congressional district. She is a member of the Democratic Party.

Porter was born on January 3, 1974, and grew up in a small farming community in Iowa. Her father was a farmer-turned-banker.

After graduating from Phillips Academy, Porter attended Yale University, where she majored in American studies. Her undergraduate thesis was titled *The Effects of Corporate Farming on Rural Community*.

Porter later attended Harvard Law School, where she studied under current Massachusetts senator Elizabeth Warren, and graduated magna cum laude with her Juris Doctor in 2001.

In 2006, Porter joined the faculty of the University of Iowa College of Law. In March 2012, Porter was appointed by California Attorney General Kamala Harris to be the state's independent monitor of banks in a nationwide \$25-billion mortgage settlement. As monitor, she oversaw the banks' implementation of \$9.5 billion in settlement reforms for Californians.

Porter is a tenured professor at the University of California, Irvine School of Law.

In the 2018 elections, Porter ran for the United States House of Representatives against incumbent Republican Mimi Walters in California's 45th congressional district. Porter defeated Walters to become the first Democrat to represent the 45th district or its predecessors since it was created in 1953.

Porter did not accept corporate PAC money in her bid for Congress. She was endorsed by End Citizens United, a political action committee seeking to overturn the U.S. Supreme Court 2010 decision in *Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission*. Porter has cited an overhaul of campaign finance laws and protection of voting rights as legislative priorities.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **January 24, 1958**

Year Elected to Seat: **2017**

Education: **California State University,
University of California – Los Angeles**

Committees Assignments:

- **Homeland Security**
- **Judiciary**

Representative Lou Correa (D-CA-46)

Congressman Lou Correa is a longtime Orange County resident, with deep local roots. To this day, he lives only three miles from his childhood neighborhood in Anaheim. He is the son of working-class parents whose hard work gave him a chance at the success. Lou has spent his career fighting to protect the American Dream, and ensure anyone can reach the middle class, just as he did.

When Lou was young, his mother cleaned hotel rooms across from Disneyland, and his father held a manufacturing job at a paper mill. Through hard work, Lou's parents gave him access to better education than they had, and a path to the middle class.

Lou credits his success to his education and the Anaheim public school system where he attended Benjamin Franklin Elementary, Fremont Junior High, and Anaheim High School. Lou graduated from California State University, Fullerton with a degree in Economics. Always striving for more, Lou returned to college and earned his Juris Doctor (JD), and Master in Business Administration (MBA) from the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA).

After college, Lou used his education to become a banker, attorney, and licensed real estate broker. His time in the private sector prepared him to compromise and find real solutions to everyday problems.

In 1996, Lou ran for the California State Assembly. Lou lost that election, but he returned in 1998 and won, becoming a voice for the middle class families in Orange County.

In Washington, Congressman Correa continues his fight to give everyone access to the same the opportunity he had. Congressman Correa is committed to working across party lines to strengthen the middle class and give everyone a shot at the American Dream by investing in education, healthcare, and our fading infrastructure.

Congressman Correa has worked to support public health and safety services, mental health care, and health and safety programs for children. He has championed affordable higher education and taxpayer equity while protecting taxpayers by fighting "waste, fraud, and abuse." Since entering office, Congressman Correa has introduced legislation to protect the legal rights of immigrants, care for veterans, and fight against the wasteful spending of taxpayer money.

Lou lives in Santa Ana with his wife of 27 years, Esther Correa, and their four children. Lou is a member of Christ Cathedral Catholic Church.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **March 8, 1941**

Year Elected to Seat: **2013**

Education: **Hobart College, Ohio State University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Transportation and Infrastructure**
- **Natural Resources**

Representative Alan Lowenthal (D-CA-47)

Congressman Alan Lowenthal is serving his third term in the U.S. House of Representatives representing California's 47th District, which encompasses portions of eastern Los Angeles County and western Orange County. He was first elected in 2012 and reelected in 2014 and 2016.

Prior to joining Congress, he served a two-decade tenure as, first, a Long Beach, California city council member, then, as a California legislator. In Washington, D.C., Congressman Lowenthal has continued his dedication to common-sense bipartisan solutions that earned him a reputation among his colleagues and constituents as one of the most respected and effective legislators in both Long Beach and Sacramento.

Born March 8, 1941, Congressman Alan Lowenthal was raised in the Queens Borough of New York City. After earning his Bachelor's Degree from Hobart and William Smith Colleges and his Ph.D. from Ohio State University, he moved to Long Beach, California in 1969 where he taught Community Psychology at California State University, Long Beach until 1998.

Congressman Lowenthal successfully ran for Long Beach City Council in 1992, where he served for six years. He then continued his leadership in Sacramento, first serving three terms as a State Assembly member, then two terms as a State Senator.

In Congress, he currently serves on the House Natural Resources Committee and the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee. He is the Ranking Member of the Natural Resources Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources. As a member of Natural Resources he also serves on the Subcommittee on Federal Lands. As a member of Transportation and Infrastructure, he serves on the Highways and Transit, the Water Resources and Environment, and the Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation subcommittees.

Representing one of the most ethnically diverse districts in the nation, Congressman Lowenthal has championed human rights in Congress, not just at home, but throughout the world. He has also brought his strong support for LGBT rights to Washington, where he became the first Congress member to permanently fly the Pride flag outside his office. In addition, he has continued his long history of fighting for environmental protections, with a new mission to bring the issue of climate change to the front in Congress as chair of the more than 60-member Safe Climate Caucus.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **December 10, 1961**

Year Elected to Seat: **2019**

Education: **University of Kentucky, Capital University, Ohio State University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Oversight and Reform**
- **Transportation and Infrastructure**

Representative Harley Rouda (D-CA-48)

Harley Rouda was elected to Congress in 2018 after a historic campaign in Orange County, California. It was the very first political campaign of his life.

As a successful businessman, husband, father and patriot, Harley ran for elected office to make politics and policymaking work again for families in Orange County and across the nation.

As a Freshman member in Congress, Harley is dedicated to working with Democrats and Republicans on bipartisan legislation that makes a difference in people's lives -- legislation that makes his community, and his country, healthier, safer, more sustainable and more prosperous in the 21st Century.

Harley believes that by working together, by embracing patriotic purpose, and by espousing common sense and values, our nation can tackle the critical challenges of addressing climate change, of rebuilding a crumbling infrastructure, of confronting homelessness and protecting Social Security and Medicare.

Harley believes that we can make health care and prescription drugs available and affordable for all; we can make a world class college education attainable for every young person; we can forge an economy that gives everyone their chance to share in the American Dream.

Community service has also been a core part of Harley's adult life. He has spent decades fighting homelessness and domestic violence; working with Human Rights Watch; supporting education for the underserved and underrepresented, as well as supporting access to higher education; saving military jobs; and working with civic organizations to drive economic development.

Harley's dedication to serving his community and his country has reached its highest expression with his election to the People's House.

Harley holds a MBA from The Ohio State University, and a J.D. from Capital University Law School.

Harley lives in Laguna Beach, California and is married to award-winning author, Kaira Sturdivant Rouda. They have four children who constantly inspire them.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **October 20, 1978**

Year Elected to Seat: **2019**

Education: **Stanford University, Duke University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Natural Resources**

Representative Mike Levin (D-CA-49)

Congressmember Mike Levin represents California's 49th Congressional District, which includes northern San Diego County and southern Orange County.

Throughout his career, Levin has been a passionate leader on environmental protection, clean energy, and combating climate change. After graduating from Stanford University and Duke University School of Law, Levin worked as an attorney focused on energy and environmental issues. In addition to his legal work, Levin served on the board of the Center for Sustainable Energy, and co-founded Sustain OC, helping accelerate the transition toward more sustainable power generation and transportation alternatives.

As a member of Congress, one of Levin's top priorities is combating climate change, capitalizing on the economic benefits of a sustainable energy future, and providing solutions to move hazardous nuclear waste at the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station. He also was one of the first freshman members of Congress to endorse the Green New Deal.

As the grandson of a World War II veteran and the representative of Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, Levin will advocate for the active duty service members and veterans who have sacrificed for our freedom. He has spoken out about the importance of protecting the V.A. from privatization efforts, improving veterans health care and services, and expanding job opportunities for those who have served.

Levin has also championed efforts to expand access to affordable health care, lower the cost of higher education, preserve Social Security and Medicare, prevent gun violence, enact comprehensive immigration reform, and protect a woman's right to choose. He is a member of the Congressional Progressive Caucus, the #FutureForum, and, as the grandson of immigrants from Mexico, a member of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus.

Levin lives in San Juan Capistrano with his wife, Chrissy, and their two children, ages 6 and 4.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **December 7, 1976**

Year Elected to Seat: **2009**

Education: **San Diego State University**

Committees Assignments:

Representative Duncan D. Hunter (R-CA-50)

Congressman Duncan D. Hunter represents California's 50th Congressional District consisting of East and Northern County San Diego. In 2008, Hunter was elected to his first term in the House of Representatives, succeeding his father, Duncan L. Hunter, who retired after serving 14 consecutive terms in Congress.

Hunter is a native of San Diego. He graduated from Granite Hills High School in El Cajon and earned a degree in Business Administration from San Diego State University. Hunter worked to pay for his education by creating websites and programming databases and ecommerce systems for high-tech companies. Immediately after graduation, he went to work full time in San Diego as a Business Analyst.

Soon after our nation was attacked on September 11, 2001, Hunter quit his job and joined the United States Marine Corps. Hunter entered active service as a Lieutenant in 2002 and excelled in the area of field artillery, much like his grandfather, Robert O. Hunter, who was a Marine Corps artillery officer in World War II.

Over the course of his service career, Hunter served three combat tours overseas: two in Iraq and one in Afghanistan. In 2003, Hunter deployed to Iraq with the 1st Marine Division. Hunter completed his second tour in 2004, where he and his fellow Marines were at the center of combat operations in Fallujah, Iraq.

In September 2005, four years after he quit his job and joined the Marine Corps, Hunter was honorably discharged from active military service and started a successful residential development company. Still a Marine Reservist, he was promoted to the rank of Captain in 2006, and to the rank of Major in 2012.

Less than two years before Hunter was elected, he was recalled to active duty and deployed to Afghanistan. Hunter returned home after more than six months on the front lines and, with the support of the San Diego community, became the first Marine combat veteran of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan elected to Congress.

Hunter is a strong conservative who is committed to strengthening national security, enforcing our borders, creating opportunities for American workers and protecting the interests of taxpayers. He is also a strong proponent of the Second Amendment, protecting traditional marriage and the rights of the unborn.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **March 7, 1961**

Year Elected to Seat: **2013**

Education: **University of San Diego, Fordham University, Harvard Law School**

Committees Assignments:

- **Financial Services**
- **Foreign Affairs**

Representative Juan Vargas (D-CA-51)

Congressman Juan Vargas was raised on a chicken ranch in National City, in California's 51st District. He is one of ten children, born to his parents, Tomas and Celina Vargas on March 7, 1961. His father, Tomas, immigrated to the United States from Mexico in the late 1940s as part of the Bracero Program which brought millions of Mexican guest workers to the United States on short-term, primarily agricultural labor contracts, as part of a series of bi-lateral agreements between Mexico and the United States. Through the Bracero Program, Tomas became a legal resident and Juan's mother, Celina, went on to earn her U.S. Citizenship.

Taught the value of hard work by his parents, Juan attained impressive academic credentials. He attended the University of San Diego on scholarship, graduated Magna Cum Laude receiving a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science in 1983. In 1987, Juan earned a Master of Humanities from Fordham University in New York City and in 1991 earned a Juris Doctorate from Harvard Law School, where he was a classmate of President Barack Obama.

Juan was elected to the San Diego City Council in 1993. On the Council, he assumed a leadership role in planning, funding, and advocating for public safety, municipal infrastructure and schools. During his eight-year tenure on the San Diego City Council Juan helped establish community-based policing, which has become a national model, fought tobacco advertising directed at children, and helped create the City of San Diego's 6-to-6 after-school program. He also sponsored a graffiti and home rehabilitation program, known as Operation Restore, which employed homeless individuals in an effort to improve and revitalize blighted homes and neighborhoods in San Diego's urban core.

Juan was first elected to the United States Congress in 2012 with over 70 percent of the vote, the highest in both San Diego and Imperial counties. He represents California's 51st Congressional District which includes portions of San Diego County, all of Imperial County, and the entire U.S. - Mexico Border in California.

In 2016, Juan was named one of the "Hardest-Working Members of Congress" for his close working relationship with the Obama Administration, his bipartisanship, and for his leadership on the Congressional Prayer Breakfast. Currently serving his third term in Congress, Juan serves on the Committee on Financial Services, including the Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit and the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations.

Juan lives in San Diego with his wife, Adrienne, an Associate Vice President at San Diego State University, and his daughters, Rosa and Helena.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **June 17, 1958**

Year Elected to Seat: **2013**

Education: **Duke University, New York University School of Law**

Committees Assignments:

- **Energy and Commerce**

Representative Scott Peters (D-CA-52)

Congressman Scott Peters serves California's 52nd Congressional District, which includes the cities of Coronado, Poway and most of northern San Diego. First elected in 2012, Scott has worked across the aisle to fix a broken Congress and stand up for San Diego's military and veterans community. Scott Peters currently serves on the House Energy and Commerce Committee, where he advocates for investment in basic scientific research, supports the military's goals to enhance their energy security, and fights for commonsense healthcare reforms that work for families and small business owners.

Scott Peters is a civic leader who has made improving the quality of life in San Diego his life's work. After a 15-year career as an environmental lawyer, Scott was elected to the San Diego City Council, where he later became the City's first City Council President. On the Council, Scott helped lead the \$2 billion redevelopment of downtown San Diego, the cleanup of the city's beaches and bays, and the completion of a number of major infrastructure projects. He also pursued greater accountability and efficiency in government through the creation of a new Council/Mayor form of government with an independent budget review function.

In 2001, the governor appointed Scott to the Commission on Tax Policy in the New Economy, and in 2002, the Speaker of the Assembly appointed Scott to the California Coastal Commission.

Scott also later served as chairman of the San Diego Unified Port District – a major economic engine that supports over 40,000 high-skill, high-wage jobs for San Diegans, with \$3.3 billion in direct regional economic impact.

Scott earned his undergraduate degree from Duke University (magna cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa) and worked as an economist for the United States Environmental Protection Agency before attending New York University School of Law. He and his wife of 29 years reside in the La Jolla neighborhood of San Diego, California, where they raised their son and daughter.

During his time in Congress, Scott has passed legislation to give the military the advanced technology it needs to fight terrorism and level the playing field for small businesses competing for government contracts, and has succeeded in getting the federal government to make changes to the homelessness funding formula that disadvantages San Diego. Ranked the 4th most independent Democrat in Congress by the National Journal, Scott Peters understands that business problems have bipartisan solutions, and is never afraid to work across party lines to build consensus and get things done.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **April 13, 1944**

Year Elected to Seat: **2001**

Education: **University of California Berkeley,
University of North Carolina**

Committees Assignments:

- **Education and Labor**
- **Armed Services**
- **House Administration**

Notes:

Representative Susan A. Davis (D-CA-53)

Congresswoman Susan Davis proudly represents California's 53rd Congressional District in the U.S. House of Representatives. Her interest in public affairs and service grew out of her experiences as a social worker, parent, youth mentor, and military spouse. Through these life experiences, Susan developed an understanding of and deep commitment to improving her community and country.

Susan attended public school in northern California. She graduated from the University of California at Berkeley with a degree in sociology. After college, she worked with at-risk youths in Israel and also lived on a kibbutz. Official Photo Susan returned to the United States and she earned her master's degree in social work at the University of North Carolina. When her husband Steve was stationed in Japan for his military service, Susan and their sons, Jeff and Ben, joined him. The Davis family later settled in mid-city San Diego in 1972 and Susan and Steve have lived in the same house ever since.

Today, Susan and Steve are the proud grandparents of Henry, Jane, and Theo.

Prior to Congress, Susan served in the California State Assembly (1994-2000). She served three terms and focused on what would become her signature issues – education, health care, and consumer protection. She chaired the Committee on Consumer Protection, Government Efficiency, and Economic Development. In the House, as she has throughout her public service, Susan has approached legislating as a bipartisan consensus builder achieving legislative successes in education, military families and veterans support and health care.



Date of Birth: **July 29, 1957**

Year Elected to Seat: **1997**

Education: **Colorado College, New York University Law School**

Committees Assignments:

- **Energy and Commerce**
- **Natural Resources**

Representative Diana DeGette (D-CO-1)

Congresswoman Diana DeGette is serving her 12th term in Congress as Representative for the First District of Colorado. As a member of the powerful Committee on Energy and Commerce, an exclusive congressional committee with vast jurisdiction over health care, trade, business, technology, food safety, and consumer protection, she is one of the leading voices in the health care debate in this country. She also served as the Ranking Member of the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, which conducts the oversight of, and investigations into, issues falling under the jurisdiction of the full committee. As a member of the Democratic leadership, she played a vital role in the reauthorization of the Children's Health Insurance Program, has fought for tough food safety legislation, and was a key player in crafting a comprehensive consumer product safety bill.

Rep. DeGette played a pivotal role in the development of comprehensive health reform, and she led the overhaul of our nation's food safety system. She is one of Congress's leading experts on cutting-edge scientific research and is a recognized leader on the subject of human embryonic stem cell research.

As the Democratic leader of the bipartisan 21st Century Cures Act, which became law in December 2016, Rep. DeGette helped modernize medical research to enable more discoveries in the lab that could lead to treatments and cures for patients. This law seeks to remake our medical research system to reflect the current environment for researchers, patients, doctors, drug and medical device developers, and everyone involved in treating diseases.

In March 2018, the United States Association of Former Members of Congress gave Congresswoman DeGette its Statesmanship Award for her work to pass this legislation in a collaborative and bipartisan manner, together with Republican Congressman Fred Upton of Michigan. In November 2017 she was honored by the Javits Foundation for this achievement. Named after the late New York Senator Jacob Javits, the foundation works to revive this renowned public servant's commitment to cooperation and collaboration across party lines. Even in a time of intense division, Congresswoman DeGette continues her practice of reaching across the aisle whenever possible to get results for Coloradans and all Americans.

A life-long Coloradoan, Rep. DeGette is guided by traditional Western values. She's also the author of the landmark Colorado Wilderness Act, which would protect and preserve pristine land across Colorado for generations to come. She has fought to enhance her constituents' access to affordable quality health care, expand mass transit, improve transportation in the Denver area, clean up environmental waste sites, and improve opportunities for small business.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **May 13, 1984**

Year Elected to Seat: **2019**

Education: **University of Colorado, Boulder**

Committees Assignments:

- **Judiciary**
- **Natural Resources**

Representative Joe Neguse (D-CO-2)

Congressman Joe Neguse represents Colorado's 2nd District in the U.S. House of Representatives. He was elected to his first term in November 2018, becoming the first African-American member of Congress in Colorado history.

Rep. Neguse was elected by his colleagues to serve as Co-Freshman Representative to Leadership in the 116th Congress, and in that capacity serves as a member of the House Democratic Leadership Team. He also serves as one of the Congressional Progressive Caucus Vice Chairs and Liaison to New Members.

Before his election, he served in the Governor of Colorado's Cabinet as the Executive Director of Colorado's consumer protection agency. As one of the youngest people to serve as a state-Cabinet secretary at age 31, he achieved key victories, including the recovery of millions of dollars for consumers, investigations culminating in significant financial-fraud cases, the championing of legislation to combat financial fraud against seniors, and the launch of the state's first online filing system for civil rights discrimination complaints.

Previously Rep. Neguse was elected to represent Colorado's 2nd District on the University of Colorado Board of Regents, where he served a six-year term fighting to make higher education more affordable and accessible and building consensus on tough issues, including efforts to lower student health insurance costs, increase wages for the University's lowest paid workers and make voter registration more accessible to students. He also worked in the Colorado House of Representatives, for then-Speaker Andrew Romanoff, and co-founded New Era Colorado, the state's largest youth voter registration and mobilization non-profit. He received his B.S. in Political Science and Economics from the University of Colorado-Boulder, where he graduated summa cum laude, and received his J.D. from the University of Colorado School of Law.

Over 35 years ago, Rep. Neguse's parents immigrated to the United States from Eritrea. As hardworking immigrants and naturalized citizens, they never forgot nor took for granted the freedom and opportunities the United States gave them and their children. Their experience motivated Rep. Neguse to be an active participant in our democracy at an early age, and to give back through public service. Rep. Neguse's public service is rooted in his firm belief that we should be expanding—not restricting—opportunities for all Americans, and he has spent his career doing the same. His priorities in Congress include lowering health care costs and prescription drug prices, raising workers' wages, ensuring greater accountability in government, protecting our treasured public lands, and fighting the existential threat of climate change.

Rep. Neguse and his wife Andrea live in Lafayette, where they are raising their newborn daughter, Natalie.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **November 9, 1956**

Year Elected to Seat: **2011**

Education: **Fort Lewis College**

Committees Assignments:

- **Financial Services**

Representative Scott R. Tipton (R-CO-3)

Congressman Scott Tipton was raised in Cortez, Colorado. He graduated from Ft. Lewis College in Durango, where he studied Political Science and became the first person in his family to earn a college degree. After college, he returned home to Cortez and co-founded Mesa Verde Indian Pottery with his brother Joe. It was through his business that Scott met his wife, Jean, who is a former school teacher. The Tiptons have two daughters, Liesl and Elizabeth, two sons-in-law, Chris and Jace, and three grandchildren.

After three decades of running his small business, Scott was elected as a Republican to the Colorado House of Representatives for the 58th District in November of 2008. During his time at the State House, he worked to ensure quality water for the people of Colorado and to improve the air quality of Southwest Colorado. He also sponsored legislation to protect children from the worst criminal offenders by mandating harsher penalties for child sex-offenders and allowing law enforcement to collect DNA evidence from suspects through Jessica's Law and Katie's Law.

Scott was first elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in 2010. He currently serves on the House Committee on Financial Services and House Natural Resources Committee. He is Co-chairman of the Congressional Small Business Caucus and Vice Chair of the Congressional Western Caucus.

Throughout his time as a U.S. Representative, Scott's priority has been to advance policies that grow jobs, support the economy, and keep Colorado's families safe and secure.

Scott has passed numerous pieces of legislation in the House of Representatives, including bills to advance healthy forest management and prevent wildfire, and encourage all-of-the-above energy development. Scott's bipartisan bill to advance the development of clean, renewable hydropower was signed into law on August 9, 2013. He is also leading the charge in Congress to stop federal attempts to encroach on private property, including fighting massive federal grabs of privately-held water rights—standing up for farmers and ranchers, the ski industry, and all who rely on their water rights to survive.

Scott has used his experience as a small businessman to inform his work in Congress. He is a co-founder of the Congressional Small Business Caucus, a bipartisan caucus committed to open dialogue on the issues that most impact small businesses. Scott has led the bipartisan effort to give community banks more flexibility to focus their limited resources on community needs. His bill, the Small Bank Exam Cycle Reform Act of 2015, was signed into law in the 114th Congress. Scott continues to work to advance policies that foster the economic certainty needed for small businesses and entrepreneurs to succeed and create jobs.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **February 16, 1959**

Year Elected to Seat: **2015**

Education: **Princeton University, University of Wyoming**

Committees Assignments:

- **Foreign Affairs**
- **Judiciary**

Representative Ken Buck (R-CO-4)

Congressman Ken Buck is a Republican from Windsor, representing Colorado's 4th Congressional District. He was first elected to Congress on November 4, 2014, and is currently serving his third term in the United States House of Representatives.

Ken serves on the House Judiciary Committee and the House Foreign Affairs Committee. He serves as the Ranking Member on the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship, and he also serves on the Subcommittee on Antitrust, Commercial and Administrative Law. He also serves on the House Foreign Affairs Subcommittees on Oversight and Investigations; and Western Hemisphere, Civilian Security, and Trade.

Ken Buck learned the value of hard work from his grandfather, who opened a shoe repair store in Greeley in the 1930's. One of three brothers, Ken worked his way through high school, college and law school as a janitor, truck driver, furniture mover and as a ranch hand.

After law school, Ken worked for Congressman Dick Cheney (R-WY) on the Iran-Contra Investigation and then became a prosecutor with the U.S. Department of Justice. In 1990 Ken joined the Colorado U.S. Attorney's Office where he became the Chief of the Criminal Division.

In 2002 Ken joined Hensel Phelps Construction Co. in Greeley as a business executive.

Starting in 2004 Ken Buck was elected Weld County District Attorney three times. He led a staff of more than sixty people with a strong record of criminal prosecution and crime prevention. Under Ken's leadership, the crime rate in Weld County dropped 50%, one of the best records in the country.

Ken is a Christian and a leader in his profession and community. Ken has volunteered and served on the boards of many important community groups. As District Attorney, Ken brought together community leaders to create the Juvenile Assessment Center (JAC). The Center has helped more than two thousand kids and their families get back on the right path in life.

Ken's son Cody graduated from West Point and is a US Army Officer. Ken's daughter Kaitlin is a business executive in Colorado after graduating from Clemson University.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **May 24, 1954**

Year Elected to Seat: **2007**

Education: **University of Kansas, University of Kansas School of Law**

Committees Assignments:

- **Armed Services**
- **Natural Resources**

Notes:

Representative Doug Lamborn (R-CO-5)

Born in Leavenworth, Kansas in 1954, Doug had service-before-self instilled in him at an early age by his father, a World War II combat veteran and a corrections officer at the Leavenworth Federal Penitentiary.

After meeting his wife Jeanie, Doug graduated from the University of Kansas with a Journalism Degree (as a National Merit Scholar). As they began to raise their five children, Doug worked hard to put himself through law school, earning a law degree from the University of Kansas before moving his family to Colorado Springs, Colorado to practice business and real estate law.

It was in Colorado that Doug was called to public office and served in the Colorado General Assembly from 1995 to 2006, in both the State House and State Senate. During his time in the Colorado Legislature, Doug was elected Senate President Pro-Tem, served as Chairman of the Senate State Military and Veterans Affairs Committee, Chairman of the Senate Republican Caucus, and House Majority Whip. He was also the lead sponsor of the largest tax cut in Colorado history. Doug also introduced legislation creating a license plate honoring Bronze Star recipients, exempting active duty soldiers from paying state income taxes, allowing public school students to recite the Pledge of Allegiance, eliminating and reducing state services to illegal immigrants, banning late-term abortions, implementing DNA testing of convicted felons, eliminating sales tax on telephone service, eliminating the business personal property tax for thousands of businesses, and repealing expired and outdated laws. While serving in the part-time State Legislature, Doug continued to practice law and raise a family.

Doug was then elected to the US House of Representatives in 2006 to represent Colorado's Fifth District. Colorado's Fifth District, based in Colorado Springs, is one of our nation's most military-intensive congressional districts and the proud home to more than 100,000 veterans who have served our country with distinction and honor. Because of the district's military and veterans concentration, Doug serves as a high-ranking member on the House Armed Services Committee. In these roles, he has protected important national defense funding, programs, and missions and has fought hard for the right of veterans to receive the healthcare they have earned. Additionally, the Congressman has worked since his first full day in office to bring about a dignified and fitting National Veterans Cemetery to the Pikes Peak Region, and he is well on the way to achieving that goal, with construction slated to begin in the near future.

Doug is married to Jeanie, his wife of 41 years and an accomplished artist and former teacher at the Bemis School of Art in Colorado Springs. The Lamborns have also raised five extremely successful children. Their four sons were Eagle Scouts and, among them, have served as a doctor, in the military, as an attorney, and as a member of the creative arts community in Los Angeles. Their daughter was an accomplished collegiate track and field athlete and holds a Master's Degree in Journalism.



Date of Birth: **March 15, 1979**

Year Elected to Seat: **2019**

Education: **University of Wisconsin Madison,
University of Denver**

Committees Assignments:

- **Armed Services**
- **Small Business**

Notes:

Representative Jason Crow (D-CO-6)

A former Army Ranger and lawyer, Jason Crow represents Colorado's Sixth Congressional District in central Colorado including Aurora, much of the eastern Denver metropolitan area as well as portions of Centennial, Littleton, Brighton, and Highlands Ranch.

The son of small business owners, Jason worked his way through college by joining the National Guard and working construction jobs. It was during his National Guard training that he first felt the call to serve and joined ROTC, ultimately graduating at the top of his class as the Distinguished Military Graduate.

Jason was commissioned as an Army officer upon which he served in the 82nd Airborne Division. During the invasion of Iraq, Jason led a platoon of paratroopers where he earned a Bronze Star for his combat actions. Following his tour in Iraq, Jason joined the U.S. Army's 75th Ranger Regiment and served two more tours in Afghanistan, eventually achieving the rank of Captain.

Following his service, Jason attended law school at University of Denver and then worked for Holland & Hart law firm. An outspoken advocate for veterans' rights, Jason helped lead the charge to replace the overcrowded, 60-year-old VA hospital in Denver and bring it to Aurora. In 2012, he spoke at the Democratic National Convention supporting President Obama's repeal of "Don't Ask, Don't Tell."

Jason's priorities in Congress include addressing gun violence, protecting DREAMers and passing immigration reform, and advocating for our country's veterans and military men and women overseas. A proven reformer, Jason is dedicated to strengthening our democracy and fighting the influence of money in politics through ethics and campaign finance reform.

Jason lives in Aurora, Colorado with his wife Deserai and two young children, Anderson and Josephine.



Date of Birth: **May 1, 1953**

Year Elected to Seat: **2007**

Education: **University of Colorado, University of Colorado School of Law**

Committees Assignments:

- **Financial Services**
- **Rules**
- **Science, Space, and Technology**

Notes:

Representative Ed Perlmutter (D-CO-7)

Ed has deep roots in the 7th Congressional District and has lived in Jefferson County his entire life. His grandfather and father ran a concrete business (in what is now the 7th District) for decades. Ed attended Jefferson County public schools and then worked construction with his father during the summers while in law school at the University of Colorado. He chose to raise his family in the district where his three daughters also attended Jefferson County Public Schools. Ed currently lives in Arvada with his wife Nancy, a public school teacher, who also has three children who attended Jeffco public schools.

In 1994, Ed was elected to the Colorado State Senate as the first Democrat to hold the seat in nearly 30 years. He served two terms and garnered the reputation as a bipartisan bridge-builder and a champion of renewable energy and smart growth policies. In 2006, Ed was first elected to represent the 7th Congressional District in Congress and is currently serving in his seventh term.

Ed remains focused on representing the people of the 7th District and creating policies that give people the opportunity to pursue their own American dream. Ed believes working across the aisle to find common ground is critical for democracy and helps to better represent the individuals and families in his district and in Colorado. Specifically, Ed supports job growth by promoting energy independence by working with the Colorado School of Mines, the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) and other world-class private sector energy businesses as well as expanding Colorado's role and economic development opportunities in the aerospace industry including the Orion manned space flight program and working on a long-term plan to get humans to Mars in 2033.

In the 116th Congress, Ed is proud to serve on three committees in the House: Financial Services; Science, Space and Technology; and Rules. Ed is also a member of the New Democrat Coalition which is focused on harnessing American ingenuity and innovation to create new jobs, greater economic prosperity and a safer and more secure future for our county.



Date of Birth: **July 22, 1948**

Year Elected to Seat: **1999**

Education: **Central Connecticut State University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Ways and Means**

Representative John B. Larson (D-CT-1)

Congressman John B. Larson proudly represents Connecticut's First District. Now in his tenth term, John sits on the influential House Ways and Means Committee—including the Subcommittees on Tax Policy and Social Security, where he serves as the Ranking Member. Throughout his time in Congress, John has proven himself a staunch advocate for Connecticut's working families, our manufacturing and small business ecosystem, and commonsense solutions for the problems Americans face everyday.

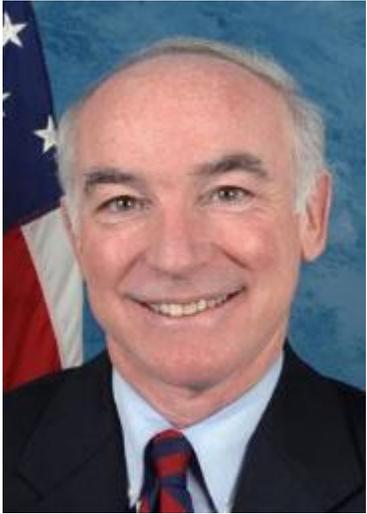
Born and raised in the federal housing project of Mayberry Village in East Hartford, John is fond of saying he is the product of public housing, public education, and public service. His father, Raymond, worked for Pratt & Whitney, while his mother, Pauline, served on the Town Council. John graduated from East Hartford High School in 1967 and from Central Connecticut State University (CCSU) in 1971.

Before entering Congress, John taught history and coached football at George J. Penney High School. He was also an owner of Larson & Lysik insurance company, where he saw firsthand the challenges many small business owners must overcome. Following in his mother's footsteps, serving on the East Hartford Board of Education and the East Hartford Town Council. In 1982, he was elected to the Connecticut State Senate, beginning a 12-year tenure representing the 3rd Senate District until 1995. Larson served as Senate President Pro Tempore for eight years from 1987 to 1995.

Over the years, John has opposed the policies of preemption and unilateralism. He spoke out against the war in Iraq since its inception, and has focused his concerns on the threats of terrorism, protecting the homeland, and supporting first responders. A virgourous supporter of our troops, John visited Iraq three times, and succeeded in passing legislation to reimburse family members who purchased body armor for soldiers who had not been adequately equipped by the military. John also won a key victory for military families with children on the autism spectrum, ensuring their kids receive the care they need.

He is a lifelong resident of East Hartford, where he lives with his wife Leslie. They have three children: Carolyn, Laura, and Raymond.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **April 6, 1953**

Year Elected to Seat: **2007**

Education: **Tufts University, University of Connecticut School of Law**

Committees Assignments:

- **Armed Services**
- **Education and Labor**

Representative Joe Courtney (D-CT-2)

Congressman Joe Courtney was elected in 2006 to represent the Second Congressional District of Connecticut in the House of Representatives. He serves on the Armed Services and Agriculture Committees.

Since his swearing-in, Congressman Courtney has distinguished himself as a tireless advocate for both our nation's veterans and our men and women in uniform. He successfully fought to expand the Montgomery GI Bill for post-9/11 veterans and their families, and led the fight to extend TRICARE benefits to dependents under age 26. Congressman Courtney also fought and won support for an 18-unit supportive housing facility for homeless and at-risk veterans in Jewett City. He also partnered with Senator John McCain to introduce the Post-9/11 Troops to Teachers Enhancement Act to help members of the military transition into the teaching profession. In recognition of his efforts on behalf of veterans, Congressman Courtney has been awarded the Connecticut National Guard's highest honor, the Meritorious Service Award. He has also earned recognition from veterans organizations, including the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars, which named him Legislator of the Year in 2009.

Before serving in the House of Representatives, Joe Courtney represented the citizens of Vernon in the Connecticut General Assembly from 1987 to 1994. During this tenure, then state-Rep. Courtney served as House Chairman for both the Public Health and Human Services Committees.

Courtney was recognized in a legislative poll in 1994 by Connecticut Magazine for his bipartisan efforts, and named the "Most Conscientious" and the "Democrat Most Admired by Republicans." Since he came to Congress, Courtney has received numerous awards from several national organizations including the National Patient Advocate Foundation's 2010 Healthcare Hero award, The International Brotherhood of Boilermakers' Legislator of the Year Award, and the American Farm Bureau's Friend of the Farm Bureau award.

Congressman Courtney is a 1975 graduate of Tufts University in Boston. He earned a law degree from the University of Connecticut School of Law in 1978. He lives in Vernon with his wife, Audrey Courtney, and their two children, Robert and Elizabeth.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **March 2, 1943**

Year Elected to Seat: **1991**

Education: **Marymount College, London School of Economics, Columbia University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Appropriations**
- **Budget**

Representative Rosa DeLauro (D-CT-3)

Soon after earning degrees from Marymount College and Columbia University, Rosa followed her parents' footsteps into public service, serving as the first Executive Director of EMILY's List, a national organization dedicated to increasing the number of women in elected office; Executive Director of Countdown '87, the national campaign that successfully stopped U.S. military aid to the Nicaraguan Contras; and as Chief of Staff to U.S. Senator Christopher Dodd. In 1990, Rosa was elected to the House of Representatives, and she has served as the Congresswoman from Connecticut's Third Congressional District ever since.

Rosa DeLauro is the Congresswoman from Connecticut's Third Congressional District, which stretches from the Long Island Sound and New Haven, to the Naugatuck Valley and Waterbury. Rosa serves in the Democratic leadership as Co-Chair of the Democratic Steering and Policy Committee, and she is the Ranking Member on the Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Appropriations Subcommittee, where she oversees our nation's investments in education, health, and employment. Rosa also serves on the subcommittee responsible for the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, where she oversees food and drug safety.

At the core of Rosa's work is her fight for America's working families. Rosa believes that we must raise the nation's minimum wage, give all employees access to paid sick days, allow employees to take paid family and medical leave, and ensure equal pay for equal work. Every day, Rosa fights for legislation that would give all working families an opportunity to succeed.

Rosa believes that our first priority must be to strengthen the economy and create good middle class jobs. She supports tax cuts for working and middle class families, fought to expand the Child Tax Credit to provide tax relief to millions of families, and introduced the Young Child Tax Credit to give families with young children an economic lift.

Rosa is married to Stanley Greenberg, President of Greenberg Quinlan Rosner, a public issues research firm. Their children—Anna, Kathryn, and Jonathan Greenberg—all are grown and pursuing careers. Rosa and Stan have six grandchildren, Rigby, Teo, Sadie, Jasper, Paola and Gus.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **July 5, 1966**

Year Elected to Seat: **2009**

Education: **Harvard University, St. Edmund Hall Oxford University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Financial Services**
- **Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence**

Notes:

Representative Jim Himes (D-CT-4)

Jim Himes represents Connecticut's 4th District in the United States House of Representatives where he is serving his fifth term. He is a member of the House Committee on Financial Services, serves as the ranking member of the NSA and Cybersecurity Subcommittee of the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, and is Chair of the New Democrat Coalition.

Jim grew up as the child of a single working mom in a small town. As a member of Congress, Jim works hard to provide all American children the same opportunities he had to succeed: access to a first-rate public school, affordable and effective health care, a decent and safe home, and a supportive community.

Born in Lima, Peru in 1966 to American parents, he spent the early years of his childhood in Peru and Colombia while his father worked for the Ford Foundation and UNICEF. As an American abroad, Jim grew up fluent in both Spanish and English and was raised with an awareness of the unique position of the United States in the world. At the age of ten, Jim moved with his mother and sisters to the United States.

Jim graduated from Hopewell Valley Central High School and then attended Harvard University. After completing his undergraduate work, Jim earned a Rhodes Scholarship, which enabled him to attend Oxford University in England where he continued his studies of Latin America, including research in El Salvador.

Prior to his service in Congress, Jim ran the New York City branch of The Enterprise Community Partners, a nonprofit dedicated to addressing the unique challenges of urban poverty. Jim's team led the way in financing the construction of thousands of affordable housing units in the greater New York metropolitan region, often using new green technologies to achieve energy efficiency and reduce utility costs.

Jim's experience at Enterprise spurred his involvement in politics. Putting his expertise in affordable housing to work, Jim served as a Commissioner of the Greenwich Housing Authority, ultimately chairing the board and leading it through a much-needed program of reforms. Jim went on to become an elected member of his town's finance board, setting tax and budget policy for Greenwich. Jim has also served as Chair of his local Democratic Town Committee, organizing others in the community to become more active in the political process.

Jim began his professional career at Goldman Sachs & Co. where he worked his way up to Vice President over the course of a 12-year career. There he worked extensively in Latin America and headed the bank's telecommunications technology group.



Date of Birth: **March 8, 1973**

Year Elected to Seat: **2019**

Education: **Southern Connecticut State University, University of Saint Joseph, University of Bridgeport**

Committees Assignments:

- **Agriculture**
- **Education and Labor**

Notes:

Representative Jahana Hayes (D-CT-5)

Congresswoman Jahana Hayes was elected to represent the Fifth District of Connecticut in November 2018, making her the first African-American woman to ever represent the state of Connecticut in Congress. Hayes first garnered widespread notoriety while serving as a teacher at John F. Kennedy High School in Waterbury, when she was selected as the Connecticut Teacher of the Year, before going on to earn the distinction of 2016 National Teacher of the Year, leading to an invitation to the White House by then President Barack Obama. In her capacity as NTOY, Hayes traveled the country and the world as an ambassador for public education engaging all stakeholders in policy discussions meant to improve outcomes for students.

Congresswoman Hayes' story is one of achievement despite the odds and overcoming the obstacles that life can place before you. She has been quoted as saying that "education saved her life" and is a fierce advocate for ensuring that equitable access to educational opportunities exists for all students and families.

She is a graduate of Naugatuck Valley Community College, Southern Connecticut State University and the University of Bridgeport. Having earned a BA in history and secondary education, an MA in curriculum and instruction and a degree in administrative leadership.

Congresswoman Hayes will bring the same energy, passion, determination, work ethic and empathy that her community has come to know and respect to the halls of Congress.

Some of the Congresswoman's legislative priorities will focus on gun violence prevention in all communities, ensuring access to health care for as many Americans as possible, providing equitable access to education and opportunity for all students and working in a bipartisan way to bring positive change to the lives of every person in our community.



Date of Birth: **June 13, 1937**

Year Elected to Seat: **1991**

Education: **Antioch College, Yale University,
Yale Law School**

Committees Assignments:

- **Transportation and Infrastructure**
- **Oversight and Government Reform**

Representative Eleanor Holmes-Norton (D-DC-At Large)

Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton, now in her fifteenth term as the Congresswoman for the District of Columbia, is the Chair of the House Subcommittee on Highways and Transit. She serves on two committees: the Committee on Oversight and Reform and the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

Before her congressional service, President Jimmy Carter appointed her to serve as the first woman to chair the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. She came to Congress as a national figure who had been a civil rights and feminist leader, tenured professor of law, and board member at three Fortune 500 companies. Congresswoman Norton has been named one of the 100 most important American women in one survey and one of the most powerful women in Washington in another. The Congresswoman's work for full congressional voting representation and for full democracy for the people of the District of Columbia continues her lifelong struggle for universal human and civil rights.

The Congresswoman, who taught law full time before being elected, is a tenured professor of law at Georgetown University, teaching an upper-class seminar there every year. After receiving her bachelor's degree from Antioch College in Ohio, she simultaneously earned her law degree and a master's degree in American Studies from Yale University. Yale Law School has awarded her the Citation of Merit for outstanding alumni, and Yale Graduate School of Arts and Sciences has awarded her the Wilbur Cross Medal for outstanding alumni, the highest awards conferred by each on alumni. She is the recipient of more than 50 honorary degrees.

Before being elected, Congresswoman Norton served as a trustee on a number of public service boards, including the Rockefeller Foundation, and the Board of Governors of the D.C. Bar Association, as well as served on the boards of civil rights and other national organizations.

The Congresswoman is a third-generation Washingtonian, and is the mother of John Holmes Norton and Katherine Felicia Norton.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **February 10, 1962**

Year Elected to Seat: **2017**

Education: **Fairleigh Dickinson University,
University of Delaware**

Committees Assignments:

- **Energy and Commerce**

Representative Lisa Blunt Rochester (D-DE-At Large)

Lisa Blunt Rochester began her professional career as a problem-solver and an advocate. A caseworker for then-Congressman Tom Carper, Lisa helped people during challenging times with their Social Security benefits, disability insurance claims, IRS disputes and housing needs. She served in the cabinets of two Delaware governors as Delaware's first African-American woman Secretary of Labor, and as Delaware's first African-American Deputy Secretary of Health and Social Services and State Personnel Director. As Secretary of Labor, Lisa managed 500 employees and an \$87 million budget; she focused on connecting employers to resources and jobseekers – particularly those on welfare or leaving Delaware prisons. As State Personnel Director, Lisa was commissioned to investigate the Delaware State Police for racial and sexual discrimination. Working with local and national experts in policing and civil rights, the 2001 Blunt-Bradley Report served as a roadmap to improve the internal and external relations of the State Police.

She also served as the CEO of the Metropolitan Wilmington Urban League – an action-oriented, public policy research think-tank focused on the inclusion of people of color.

Lisa grew up in Wilmington, graduated from Padua Academy, and worked her first job at the McDonald's on Market Street. She majored in International Relations as an undergraduate at Fairleigh Dickinson University and later earned a Master's in Urban Affairs and Public Policy from the University of Delaware. Lisa believes our national security requires a strong understanding of the rest of the world. She has helped women enter the workforce in the Middle East, provided vaccines to children in Africa, and co-authored a book while living in China with her late husband Charles. Her book, *THRIVE: 34 Women, 19 Countries, One Goal*, profiles women who reinvented themselves while living in a foreign country.

Lisa is the proud mother of Alyssa, age 27, and Alex, age 30, both of whom graduated from Delaware's public schools. Education and college affordability are important to her. Like many parents, Lisa is still paying off the loans she took to help her kids go to college and graduate.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **May 7, 1982**

Year Elected to Seat: **2017**

Education: : **Florida State University, College of William & Mary**

Committees Assignments:

- **Armed Services**
- **Judiciary**

Representative Matt Gaetz (R-FL-1)

Prior to serving in Congress, Matt worked as an attorney in Northwest Florida with the Keefe, Anchors & Gordon law firm, where he advocated for a more open and transparent government. In 2010, Matt was elected to serve in the Florida House of Representatives to represent portions of Okaloosa and Santa Rosa county. He was chairman of the Finance and Tax Committee, where he authored and passed \$1 billion in tax cuts, all while balancing the state budget and repealing or replacing over 4,000 regulations. Matt also served as chairman of the Criminal Justice Subcommittee, where he authored and passed some of America's toughest penalties against violent sexual predators.

From Florida to D.C., Matt has lived up to his reputation as an outspoken conservative firebrand. Matt has been a prominent voice for uncovering corruption within the Department of Justice and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Matt is passionate about making sure government is accountable, transparent, honest.

Since Northwest Florida is home to strategic military installations such as Eglin AFB, Hurlburt Field, and Pensacola NAS, Matt has made it a priority to ensure the military has extraordinary capabilities to protect America. During the FY2019 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA), Matt secured numerous provisions, including an amendment for SPACE-A travel benefits for veterans with service-related disabilities, and a \$41.9 million increase in funding to military test ranges, including the Gulf Test Range.

Matt graduated from Florida State University in Tallahassee, Florida with a bachelor's degree in interdisciplinary sciences. After finishing his undergraduate studies, Matt moved to Williamsburg, Virginia to attend William & Mary Law School, where he received his Juris Doctorate.

Matt was born in Fort Walton Beach, Florida and is the son of Don and Vickey Gaetz. Matt is a lifetime member of the National Rifle Association, which has given him an A+ rating throughout his time in the legislature, and First Baptist Church in Fort Walton Beach. When Matt is not fighting for his constituents, he enjoys spending time with his family and his dog Scarlett.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **February 16, 1953**

Year Elected to Seat: **2017**

Education: **Washington & Lee University,
George Washington University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Agriculture**
- **Veterans' Affairs**
- **Science, Space, and Technology**

Notes:

Representative Neal Dunn (R-FL-2)

Dr. Neal Dunn grew up in an Army family and was stationed at over 20 places before college including in Vietnam during middle school. He was an Eagle Scout and National Merit Scholar before matriculating at Washington and Lee University. After medical school at George Washington, he joined the US Army as a surgeon completing his residency at Walter Reed Army Medical Center (WRAMC) and Surgical Fellowship at Duke University. He continued his surgical career in many stations around the world before settling in Bay County, Florida in 1990. It was during his service at WRAMC in Washington that he met and married his wife Leah, of over 30 years.

Dr. Dunn was a surgeon in Panama City for 25 years and was the founding president of the Advanced Urology Institute, a 45-physician practice with over 400 employees. He also founded the Bay Regional Cancer Center and pursued a special interest in advanced Prostate Cancer. He sat on the Governor's Prostate Cancer Advisory Council and the Florida Blue Physician Advisory Board. Prior to being elected to Congress, Dr. Dunn served on the Board of Governors of the Florida Medical Association, and as President of his County Medical Society, Chief of Staff of Gulf Coast Hospital, and Director of the Bay Medical Center Sacred Heart Joint Venture. He was recognized as a Healthcare Hero by the Florida Department of Health for his chairmanship of Bay Cares, a medical charity headquartered in Panama City that provided about \$30 million of completely free medical care annually to the working poor in Bay and 8 surrounding counties.

Dr. Dunn was also the founding Chairman of Summit Bank, a rapidly growing 5-star community bank headquartered in Panama City. He was honored to be named to the Board of Directors of Space Florida which operates the space launch complexes and numerous research, assembly, and support facilities on Cape Canaveral. He also served as a Director of Enterprise Florida, the state's economic development agency.

Dr. Dunn lives in Panama City, Florida with his wife Leah. In his free time, he enjoys quail hunting and spending time on the water. They are the proud parents of 3 sons (Alexander, Patrick, and David) and 3 grandchildren.



Date of Birth: **April 13, 1955**

Year Elected to Seat: **2013**

Education: **University of Florida, University of Florida College of Veterinary Medicine**

Committees Assignments:

- **Agriculture**
- **Foreign Affairs**

Notes:

Representative Ted Yoho (R-FL-3)

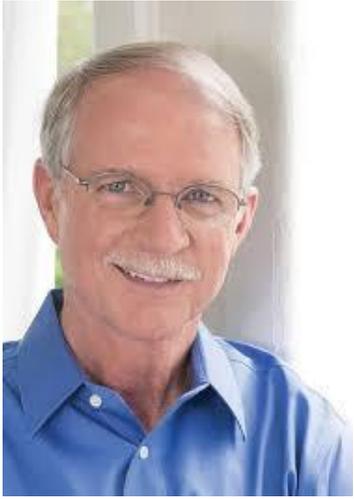
Congressman Ted Yoho represents North Central Florida's 3rd Congressional District. He was elected to the 113th Congress in November 2012, and won re-election for his third and fourth terms in the 115th Congress and 116th Congress.

His approach to government is guided by constitutional principles, limited government, fiscal conservatism, Personal Responsibility, and free enterprise. These principles keep Congressman Yoho focused on supporting bills that help make America strong. Ted has been known to stand up and challenge the status quo for the better.

Prior to serving in Congress, he was a small business owner who operated several large animal veterinary practices for 30 years. During his successful career, he established a reputation of accountability and service.

Born in Minnesota, Ted moved to South Florida where he met his wife Carolyn in the fourth grade and married her at age 19. After completing his AA degree at Broward Community College, Ted and Carolyn moved to Gainesville where Ted enrolled at the University of Florida. He graduated in 1983 with his bachelor's degree in Animal Science and Doctorate of Veterinary Medicine, while Carolyn had created her own very successful court reporting agencies.

Ted and Carolyn are the proud parents of three children: Katie, Lauren, and Tyler. When he is not in Washington representing his constituents and serving the country he loves, he is home spending time with his wife and three kids, cheering on the Gators, and if time permits occasionally fishing.



Date of Birth: **September 2, 1952**

Year Elected to Seat: **2017**

Education: **Florida Junior College, Florida State University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Appropriations**

Representative John Rutherford (R-FL-4)

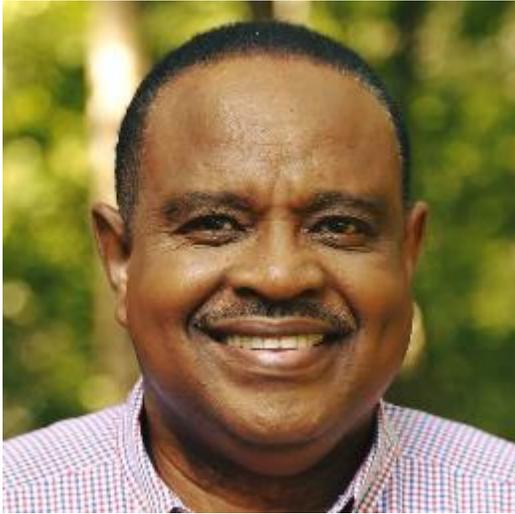
John Rutherford (FL-04) is serving his second term in the U.S. House of Representatives. He sits on the House Appropriations Committee where he serves on three subcommittees: Homeland Security, Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Transportation and Housing and Urban Development.

John has lived in Jacksonville, Florida since 1958, and attended Florida Junior College and Florida State University where he studied Criminology. He is a graduate of the FBI National Academy, 171st Session and the National Executive Institute. He began his career in law enforcement in 1974 as a patrolman in the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office, working his way up through the JSO where he eventually served as Director.

In 2003, 2007, and 2011, John was elected Sheriff of Duval County. For three terms and twelve years, John ran a 3,200 employee office, and due to his effective leadership, homicide and overall violent crime in Jacksonville dropped to a 40-year low. Using a model of intelligence-led and community-based policing, John and his team of law enforcement professionals dramatically improved neighborhoods and prevented crime throughout the community. He also made the mental health component of the criminal justice system a priority, reducing the recidivism rates of the mentally ill and facilitating their treatment. John also served as Chair of the Legislative Committee for Florida Sheriff's Association, where he advocated before the legislature for policies that strengthened constitutional rights, supported our law enforcement, and enhanced public safety across the state.

John has been happily married to his wonderful wife Pat for forty-six years. They enjoy their two children and six grandchildren, and they are also devoted members of Assumption Catholic Church in Jacksonville.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **September 23, 1948**

Year Elected to Seat: **2017**

Education: **Florida A&M University, Florida State University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Agriculture**
- **Financial Services**

Notes:

Representative Al Lawson (D-FL-5)

Congressman Al Lawson is a committed public servant who brings a hard-working, problem-solving spirit to Congress and to the task of creating jobs, improving access to a quality education from the preschool through the post-secondary level and protecting working families. Elected in November 2016 and sworn-in January 3, 2017, Lawson represents Florida's 5th Congressional District.

Congressman Lawson has devoted more than half of his life to public service and is guided by the belief that the greatest gift an individual can give is service to their community. Lawson has served the people of Florida for 28 years in the state legislature as a member of the Florida House of Representative and the Florida Senate.

As a native of Midway, Florida, Lawson graduated from Havana Northside High School and received his Bachelor's degree from Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University (FAMU), where he lettered in basketball and ran track. Lawson went on to earn a Master's degree in Public Administration from Florida State University and completed his coursework for a Ph.D. in Public Administration.

Lawson married his college sweetheart Delores Brooks and they have two adult children, Alfred III and Shani. He is also the proud grandfather of four, Kobe, Samuel and Cameron Lawson, and Harlem Wilson.

Congressman Lawson's work ethic, problem-solving approach, and ability to build collaborative working relationships with colleagues, regardless of political party, in Florida will serve him well in Washington, D.C. As a dedicated public servant, Lawson begins each morning with a prayer, and a firm promise "to do the people's work." It is this simple philosophy that defines him as a man of character and substance that always keep his promise.



Date of Birth: **January 31, 1974**

Year Elected to Seat: **2019**

Education: **Virginia Military Institute**

Committees Assignments:

- **Armed Services**
- **Science, Space, and Technology**

Notes:

Representative Michael Waltz (R-FL-6)

Congressman Michael Waltz represents Florida's 6th congressional district, which includes Flagler and Volusia counties as well as portions of Lake and St. Johns counties. Michael is a proud Florida native, combat-decorated Green Beret, former White House and Pentagon policy advisor, small business owner, and a proud father. Michael was born in Boynton Beach, FL and grew up in Jacksonville. He was raised by a hard-working single mother and is the son and grandson of Navy Chiefs.

Michael has always felt called to serve his country. He graduated from the Virginia Military Institute and has served over 20 years in the U.S. Army. After being commissioned as an Army lieutenant, Michael graduated Ranger School and was selected for the elite Green Berets. He has served all over the world as a decorated Special Forces officer with multiple combat tours in Afghanistan, the Middle East, and Africa.

Michael's public service continued in the Pentagon where he was a defense policy director for Secretaries of Defense Rumsfeld and Gates. Michael then went on to serve in the White House as Vice President Dick Cheney's counterterrorism advisor, which allowed him to see first-hand the difficult decisions the President and his Cabinet must make to protect our national security. During his time as a policy adviser, Michael continued his military service and directly implemented the strategy he helped devise. His experiences as a soldier and a policy advisor inspired him to write his own book, "Warrior Diplomat: A Green Beret's Battles from Washington to Afghanistan," the proceeds of which continue to benefit the Green Beret Foundation.

Following his time in the White House, Michael co-founded a small business that grew from just a handful of employees working from home to over 400 employees in Florida, Virginia, and nine countries throughout Europe and the Middle East. Their work supported the Departments of Defense and Treasury with analysis of terrorist financing and specialized training. As a business owner, Michael experienced first-hand how over-regulation and Obamacare obstructed small business growth – which is why he has been a proud supporter of the tax relief and deregulation under the Trump Administration. A former Fox News Channel contributor, Michael has excelled as a media commentator, providing expert commentary on foreign policy and defense issues to viewers around the world.

As an Army veteran and National Guardsman, Michael knows how to accomplish a mission for his country. This is the warrior attitude he brought with him to Washington when he was sworn in to represent Florida's 6th congressional district in 2019. Michael is determined to be part of the new generation of leadership in Congress – servant leaders who lead by example with their values and deliver results. His commitment is the same now as it was in combat: to serve with everything he has, without regard for his own self, and with a sense of duty.

Michael is the father of a teenage girl. He lives in St. Johns County.



Date of Birth: **September 16, 1978**

Year Elected to Seat: **2017**

Education: **College of William & Mary,
Georgetown University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Ways and Means**

Representative Stephanie Murphy (D-FL-7)

U.S. Congresswoman Stephanie Murphy proudly represents Florida's Seventh Congressional District in the U.S. House of Representatives. The district includes all of Seminole County and much of northern Orange County, including downtown Orlando, Maitland, Winter Park, and the University of Central Florida. She currently serves on the influential House Ways and Means Committee, where she is a member of the Subcommittee on Trade and the Subcommittee on Worker and Family Support.

Previously, Congresswoman Murphy was a businesswoman and college instructor after serving as a national security specialist in the Office of the U.S. Secretary of Defense where she received numerous awards for her distinguished service, including the Secretary of Defense Medal for Exceptional Civilian Service. She worked on a wide range of security issues from counterterrorism to foreign military relations to strategic planning for the department. Prior to her public service, Stephanie was a strategy consultant at Deloitte Consulting.

Congresswoman Murphy holds a M.S. in Foreign Service from Georgetown University and a B.A. in Economics from the College of William and Mary. She lives in Winter Park, Florida, with her husband and two young children.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **December 18, 1947**

Year Elected to Seat: **2009**

Education: **Brevard Community College**

Committees Assignments:

- **Financial Services**
- **Science, Space, and Technology**

Representative Bill Posey (R-FL-8)

Congressman Bill Posey represents Florida's 8th Congressional District which encompasses all of Brevard and Indian River Counties, and a small portion of Orange County (Bithlo, Christmas and Wedgefield). Posey, a Republican, was elected to U.S. House of Representatives in 2008 and is currently serving his fifth term.

Prior to being elected to Congress, Posey served for eight years in the Florida State Senate where he led the successful effort to reform Florida's insurance laws to increase competition and lower rates for home-owners and businesses in response to the devastating 2004 hurricane season. And after the controversy surrounding the 2000 Presidential election, Posey sponsored and passed legislation to reform and modernize Florida's election process by requiring counties to replace their punch card ballot system with optical scanners, set new election recount standards and better educate voters and poll workers. He also oversaw reforms to lower the cost of workers' compensation, medical malpractice and automobile insurance laws.

In 1992 Posey was elected to the Florida House of Representatives and had previously served for 10 years as a member of the Rockledge City Council. Before entering public service, Bill worked at the Kennedy Space Center until he was laid off with the end of the Apollo Program. He then founded Posey & Co. Realtors and later served as a director of the Florida Association of Realtors and President of the Space Coast Association of Realtors.

Bill Posey was born in 1947 and attended Cocoa High where he met and later married his high school sweetheart, Katie. He graduated from Brevard Community College with an Associate of Arts degree in 1969. Bill and Katie live together in Rockledge and have been happily married for 45 years. They have two grown daughters, Pam and Cathi, and 3 grandchildren.

Congressman Posey has long been an advocate for greater accountability in government and is the author of the book Activity Based Total Accountability. The American Legislative Exchange Council, the nation's oldest and largest bipartisan organization of state lawmakers, named Posey a "National Legislator of the Year" for his efforts to bring greater accountability to government. He is also an accomplished stock car racer, having received the award for short track driver achievement in memory of Davey & Clifford Allison presented by Bobby & Judy Allison.

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Date of Birth: **February 25, 1978**

Year Elected to Seat: **2017**

Education: **Rutgers University, George Washington University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Energy and Commerce**
- **Natural Resources**

Representative Darren Soto (D-FL-9)

Elected in 2016, Darren Soto represents Central Florida in Congress. The 9th District includes all of Osceola and parts of Orange and Polk Counties, and is home to many of the people who make Orlando's theme parks world-renowned, who grow more citrus and raise more cattle than anywhere else in the State, and who explore the farthest reaches of the galaxy from the Kennedy Space Center.

Darren entered public service to work for these hard-working Floridians. Serving for a decade in the Florida Legislature, he fought to create high paying jobs, increase access to higher education, and ensure clean water, land, and air for his constituents. Soto passed landmark legislation protecting families of fallen firefighters, giving victims of sexual assault more time to report their attackers, and allowing Dreamers to be admitted to the Florida Bar. He also secured \$25 million to build a state of the art college campus in the District, helped provide \$10 million to save Florida's springs, and brought in \$15 million for a high-tech sensors manufacturing facility.

The first Floridian of Puerto Rican descent to serve in Congress, Darren is proud to represent all the diverse people of the 9th District. Soto graduated from Rutgers University and George Washington University School of Law. His hobbies include playing guitar, pastel painting, and kayaking. Initially joining his local Orlando Young Democrats club to make friends, he was soon encouraged to run for the Florida House. At the age of 29, he ran, won, and has brought a sense of humility to public service ever since.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **March 12, 1957**

Year Elected to Seat: **2017**

Education: **Florida State University, Webster University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Homeland Security**
- **Intelligence**
- **Judiciary**

Representative Val B. Demings (D-FL-10)

Val began her career in Jacksonville as a social worker, working with foster children. Despite seeing few women in the ranks of law enforcement in the early 1980's, Val was inspired to move to Orlando to join the police force. She graduated from the police academy as class president, receiving the Board of Trustees' Award for Overall Excellence, and quickly earned the reputation of a tenacious, no-nonsense cop.

It was that reputation that helped her work her way up the ranks while raising a family. During her 27-year career she served in virtually every department, including serving as Commander of the Special Operations, where she was responsible for some of Orlando's highest profile tasks, including special events and dignitary protection.

In 2007, Val Demings made history when she was appointed to serve as Orlando's first female Chief of Police. As Orlando's Chief of Police, Val was widely praised for her dynamic leadership and a significant drop in crime. Val shepherded the department through the financial crisis and despite budgetary constraints kept the same number of officers on the streets. Remarkably, the Orlando Police Department reduced violent crime by more than 40 percent while she was Chief.

Chief Demings founded innovative programs like Operation Positive Direction, a mentoring program that empowers at-risk students through tutoring, community service, and positive incentives. She also launched Operation Free Palms, a project focusing on rejuvenating Orlando's most crime-ridden housing complex, the Palms Apartments. Collaborating with city officials and faith leaders, this initiative included increasing access to childcare, building playgrounds, a GED program, and job skills training to improve the quality of life in Orlando's most distressed community.

Val is married to Orange County Sheriff Jerry Demings, and is a proud mother to 3 sons, and proud grandmother to 5.

Val is an active member of St. Mark A.M.E., Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc , Orlando Chapter of the Links, Inc., NAACP Silver Life Member, Florida Bar Citizens Advisory Committee, Florida Police Chiefs, National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives, National Association of Women Law Enforcement Executives, National Congress of Black Women, and numerous other affiliations.

Val enjoys spending her very limited free time riding her Harley- Davidson Road King Classic motorcycle. Val has completed the O.U.C. half marathon as well as the Walt Disney marathon.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **April 27, 1949**

Year Elected to Seat: **2011**

Education: **Georgia Institute of Technology**

Committees Assignments:

- **Transportation and Infrastructure**
- **Natural Resources**

Representative Daniel Webster (R-FL-11)

Daniel Webster, a family man and small-business owner, has dedicated himself to serving the citizens of Central Florida with honor and integrity. For nearly three decades, he has fought on behalf of Florida's hardworking taxpayers and families to advance common-sense reforms and principled policy. Webster served as the Speaker of the Florida House, "the first Republican Speaker in 122 years," and Majority Leader in the Senate, working in these leadership roles to shake up the status quo in Florida and pass sweeping reforms that earned him widespread praise from the people of Florida. From his first day in leadership, Webster worked to reform the way Legislature did business, requiring all proposed laws to meet specific criteria that would determine its effectiveness in benefiting the people of the great state of Florida.

His tenure as Chairman of the Florida Senate Judiciary Committee was monumental. Webster led Florida as the only state to pass a constitutional amendment protecting its citizens in the landmark Kelo Case (2005) dealing with property rights and government's ability to condemn property. With his engineering background, Webster is working on the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure where he applies nearly thirty-five years of transportation experience in Florida to create jobs, improve Florida's roads and highways, and find ways to save money by eliminating fraud and abuse. In the 116th Congress, he will continue serving on the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee and on the House Committee on Natural Resources, as the Deputy Republican Leader.

Congressman Webster was born in Charleston, West Virginia on April 27, 1949. He is a graduate of Georgia Tech where he earned his degree in Electrical Engineering in 1971. He also holds two Honorary Doctorate Degrees. Webster is married to the former Sandra Jordan of Orlando, and they have six children: David, Brent, Jordan, Elizabeth, John, and Victoria, and seventeen grandchildren. Webster is active in his church, First Baptist Church of Central Florida. Known for many things, Daniel Webster still holds his faith, his family, and his principles as his biggest assets.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **February 8, 1963**

Year Elected to Seat: **2007**

Education: **University of Florida, Stetson University Law School**

Committees Assignments:

- **Energy and Commerce**
- **Veterans' Affairs**

Representative Gus Bilirakis (R-FL-12)

Congressman Gus M. Bilirakis is a Republican from Palm Harbor, representing Florida's 12th Congressional District, which includes all of Pasco and northern parts of Pinellas and Hillsborough counties. He was first elected to Congress on November 7, 2006, and is currently serving his sixth term in the United States House of Representatives.

As a young boy, Gus learned the importance of public service from his father, Michael Bilirakis, who represented Florida's Ninth Congressional District from 1983 to 2006. The elder Bilirakis also instilled in his son a pride in the family's Greek heritage, which Gus proudly carries into his career today.

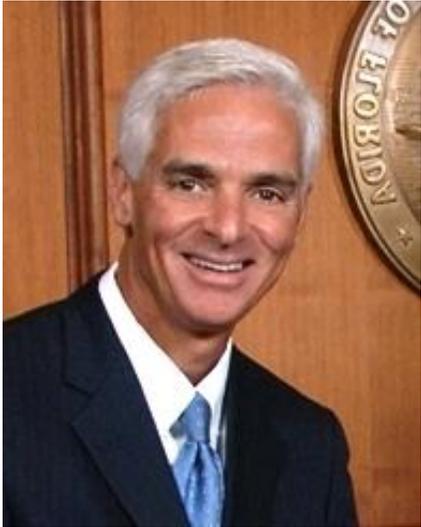
The Energy and Commerce Committee is the longest-standing committee in the U.S. House of Representatives. As the only Florida Republican on the Committee, Gus continues to be a strong voice for Florida, and his roles on the Health, Digital Commerce and Consumer Protection, and Communications and Technology Subcommittees are highly beneficial for our state. With the fourth largest GDP, Florida is an important and robust economic engine that should carry great consideration when Congress examines ways we can drive this economy forward. Our state also has the greatest proportion of residents 65 years and older, making it even more important for Congress to ensure a quality and affordable healthcare system for current and future generations. Finally, with the highest per capita residential electricity demand, Florida has a vested interest in ensuring our country becomes more energy independent and has reliable access to a broad array of energy sources.

Prior to being elected to Congress, Gus served four terms in the Florida House of Representatives (1998-2006), where he chaired several prominent panels, including Crime Prevention, Public Safety Appropriations, and the Economic Development, Trade and Banking Committee. While in Tallahassee, he won bipartisan acclaim for his leadership on efforts to make communities safer, improve transportation, reform government, recognize the sacrifices of America's Veterans and expand the role community health centers play in making health care more available to lower-income individuals. During this time, he also served as Senior Partner at the Bilirakis Law Group in Holiday, Florida, where he specialized in wills, trusts and estate planning.

Gus earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Florida in 1986 and a J.D. from Stetson University in 1989. He interned for President Ronald Reagan and the National Republican Congressional Committee, and worked for former U.S. Representative Don Sundquist (R-TN). He also currently teaches government classes at St. Petersburg College.

Gus and his wife, Eva, have four sons – Michael, Teddy, Manuel and Nicholas.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **July 24, 1956**

Year Elected to Seat: **2017**

Education: **Florida State University, Samford University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Appropriations**
- **Science, Space, and Technology**

Notes:

Representative Charlie Crist (D-FL-13)

Charlie Crist is honored to represent Florida's 13th, the most beautiful congressional district in the country. The district covers Pinellas County from Clearwater down through St. Pete, where he grew up.

Charlie has spent his life's work serving his fellow Floridians. He was elected to the Florida State Senate in 1992, where he championed environmental protection issues and public education. In 2000, after two terms in the Florida Senate, Charlie continued to push for education funding and better teacher pay as the state's Education Commissioner. In 2002, he was elected Florida Attorney General, a role through which he fought for consumer protections, civil rights, and opportunities for at-risk youth.

Elected as Florida's 44th Governor, Charlie furthered his commitment to public education, using federal stimulus funding to save thousands of teachers' jobs. As a staunch environmental advocate, he also secured a landmark land acquisition to preserve the Florida Everglades, and fought to hold BP accountable after the 2010 oil spill that ravaged Florida's coastline. He continued to lead efforts to protect civil rights, taking action to automatically restore voting rights of non-violent ex-felons and to extend voting hours across the state for all Floridians.

In Congress, Charlie is committed to working in a nonpartisan manner to create jobs, increase wages, protect our beaches from climate change, honor our military and veterans, and protect the benefits seniors have earned. With his role on the prestigious House Financial Services, he will fight to make flood insurance more affordable, defend and strengthen reform of Wall Street, and provide greater access to capital for aspiring entrepreneurs and small businesses – from the local barbershop to technology startups.

No matter the issue, Charlie is dedicated to being the voice of the people – always putting the residents of Pinellas County above party lines.

Charlie resides in his hometown of St. Petersburg, Florida – “The Sunshine City.”



Date of Birth: **August 20, 1966**

Year Elected to Seat: **2007**

Education: **Emory University, Florida State University College of Law**

Committees Assignments:

- **Energy and Commerce**

Representative Kathy Castor (D-FL-14)

Kathy Castor is the Tampa Bay area's voice in the U.S. Congress. She is serving her sixth term and represents Florida's 14th Congressional district, which includes Tampa, St. Petersburg and parts of Hillsborough and Pinellas counties. She was originally elected in 2006 and re-elected by voters in 2008, 2010, 2012 and 2014, 2016, and 2018. Castor is the first woman to represent Hillsborough and Pinellas counties in the U.S. Congress.

Castor focuses on issues vital to Tampa Bay area families and businesses and is committed to building a stronger economy. She works on initiatives that create jobs, improve schools, provide access to affordable health care, and protect consumers and the environment.

Before her election to Congress, Castor served as a Hillsborough County Commissioner and chair of the Hillsborough County Environmental Protection Commission. In 2005, Castor was named as the Tampa Bay Business Journal's Woman of the Year in government.

Castor is a graduate of Tampa's Chamberlain High School, Emory University and Florida State University College of Law. Castor and her husband have two daughters. She is the daughter of former Hillsborough County Judge Don Castor and former University of South Florida President and statewide-elected Education Commissioner Betty Castor. She is the former President of the Florida Association of Women Lawyers and partner in a statewide law firm.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **July 16, 1966**

Year Elected to Seat: **2019**

Education: **University of South Florida, Florida State University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Transportation and Infrastructure**
- **Small Buisness**

Representative Ross Spano (R-FL-15)

Ross Spano, born and raised in Hillsborough County, is humbled and honored to represent Florida's 15th Congressional District in the United States House of Representatives.

Ross was born in Tampa, Florida to Frank and Patricia Spano. His father was a homebuilder and while he never made a fortune building homes, he was able to provide for his family and instill strong Christian and conservative values in his children. Growing up he would remind Ross that "if you honor God, treat people right, and persevere without exception, you can accomplish anything. That's the American Dream."

Ross carried those ideas with him as he graduated from Brandon High School and started working. As a young man, Ross and a friend were sitting in church, and Ross pointed to a young lady singing in the choir neither of them had met. "See that girl with the blonde hair? I'm going to marry her." Sure enough, Ross and the young lady started dating, and he married his beloved wife, Amie, less than a year later. Together they have raised four beautiful children: Kali, Vincent, Caleb and Isaiah. And they recently welcomed their first two grandchildren, Silas and Lilah.

Ross worked full-time to support his young family and put himself through college attending classes at night, graduating from the University of South Florida with a B.A. in History when he was 28 years old. He then enrolled in the Florida State University College of Law and graduated with a J.D. with Honors, where he was a member of the FSU Moot Court Team and the FSU Journal of Transnational Law and Policy.

Ross has spent most of his career as a shareholder of his own law practice representing individuals and small businesses in Hillsborough County. In 2012, he felt called into politics and successfully ran to represent Florida's 59th district in the Florida House of Representatives. He served in the Florida legislature for three terms, during which he stood as a strong advocate for human trafficking victims and against human traffickers. Ross authored and passed more anti-human trafficking bills than any other member of the Florida House in history. He also strongly believes in the right to life, supporting our veterans, the 2nd Amendment, supporting small business, and limited government.

In 2019, Ross was sworn-in to the U.S. House of Representatives where he continues to fight for conservative values and to preserve the American Dream for the next generation.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **May 8, 1951**

Year Elected to Seat: **2007**

Education: **Cleary University, University of Detroit**

Committees Assignments:

- **Ways and Means**

Representative Vern Buchanan (R-FL-16)

A self-made businessman, Buchanan understands that America's economic strength flows from its entrepreneurial spirit and pro-growth, free-market policies. Buchanan was heavily involved with efforts to fix our broken tax code and played a key role in passage of a sweeping tax cut bill at the end of 2017. During the tax reform debate, he focused on lowering tax rates for individuals and small businesses and on simplifying the tax code. He has worked to enact tax incentives to help small businesses, end burdensome regulations, and limit frivolous lawsuits.

Vern Buchanan grew up with five siblings in a blue-collar household in a small town near Detroit, Michigan. He served six years in the Air National Guard and worked his way through college.

The self-made businessman is a respected leader in Florida's business community. He chaired both the Florida Chamber of Commerce and the Sarasota Chamber of Commerce. He was also a member of the Board of the U.S. Chamber, and in 2005 he was inducted into the Tampa Bay Business Hall of Fame.

In addition, Congressman Buchanan is a dedicated philanthropist. He has committed himself to diverse community causes, including the Boys and Girls Club, the Community Foundation of Sarasota County, the Walk to Cure Juvenile Diabetes, the American Heart Walk, the Mote Marine Laboratory and the Ringling Museum of Art.

A husband and father, Congressman Buchanan lives in Longboat Key, Florida with his wife of more than 40 years. Vern and Sandy Buchanan have two grown sons, James and Matt.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **May 19, 1978**

Year Elected to Seat: **2019**

Education: **University of Florida**

Committees Assignments:

- **Veterans' Affairs**
- **Oversight and Reform**
- **Judiciary**

Representative Gregory Steube (R-FL-17)

Congressman Greg Steube represents Florida's 17th District in Congress. From 2010-2018, Steube used his background in the military, agriculture, and law, to advance his conservative values as a member of the Florida House of Representatives (2010-2016) and Florida Senate (2016-2018). In Congress, Steube continues to champion these issues while serving on the House Judiciary, Oversight and Reform and Veterans' Affairs committees.

Steube's passion for public service began shortly after the September 11th attacks. In response to this tragedy, the Congressman answered his call to duty by enlisting in the U.S. Army. He served as a commissioned Airborne Infantry Officer and a JAG Corps Officer as a Captain with the 25th Infantry Division in Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Steube is a fifth-generation Floridian and earned his undergraduate and law degrees from the University of Florida, majoring in Beef Cattle Sciences and minoring in Agricultural Law. He resides in Sarasota, FL with his wife, Jennifer, and son, Ethan. Florida's 17th District covers all of Charlotte, DeSoto, Glades, Hardee, Highlands, and Okeechobee counties, as well parts of Sarasota, Lee, and Polk counties.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **July 10, 1980**

Year Elected to Seat: **2017**

Education: **Harvard University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Foreign Affairs**
- **Transportation and Infrastructure**

Representative Brian Mast (R-FL-18)

Congressman Brian Mast is in his second term representing the 18th Congressional District of Florida.

Prior to his election to Congress, Brian followed in his father's footsteps by serving in the U.S. Army for more than 12 years, earning medals including The Bronze Star Medal, The Army Commendation Medal for Valor, The Purple Heart Medal, and The Defense Meritorious Service Medal. While deployed in Afghanistan, he worked as a bomb disposal expert under the elite Joint Special Operations Command. The last improvised explosive device that he found resulted in catastrophic injuries, which included the loss of both of his legs.

While lying in bed recovering at Walter Reed Medical Center, Brian's father gave him advice that has stuck with him to this day--to ensure the greatest service he gave to our country and the best example he set for his children was still ahead of him. Brian took this advice to heart and dedicated himself to finding new ways to serve our country and his community.

Brian remained on active duty following the injuries and provided expertise to the National Nuclear Security Administration and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco & Firearms during his recovery process. After his retirement from the Army, he continued working in counter-terrorism and national defense as an Explosive Specialist with the Department of Homeland Security. Brian subsequently received a degree from the Harvard Extension School and volunteered to serve alongside the Israel Defense Forces to show support for the freedom Israel represents throughout the Middle East and the world.

In Congress, Brian strives to serve as he did on the battlefield: without regard for personal gain or personal sacrifice.

The Foreign Affairs Committee, where he uses his military expertise to help strengthen the safety and security of the United States Brian lives in Palm City, Fla. with his wife Brianna and four children: Magnum, Maverick, Madalyn and Major.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **December 4, 1953**

Year Elected to Seat: **2017**

Education: **Georgetown University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Education and Labor**
- **Foreign Affairs**

Representative Francis Rooney (R-FL-19)

Francis Rooney is a successful businessman who brings decades of private sector experience to Washington. He and his family started Rooney Holdings, Inc. (RHI), a diversified, international group of companies based in Naples, Florida. Since 1984, RHI has created jobs and economic opportunities in Southwest Florida and throughout the United States. One of the company's subsidiaries is Manhattan Construction Company, a diversified construction group founded in 1896.

Notable Southwest Florida projects include Fort Myers' downtown streetscape, the Lee County Jail, and a number of improvements on Florida Gulf Coast University's campus, including Biscayne Hall, Alico Arena, Holmes Hall, Academic Building 7, and the solar power plant. Significant projects around the United States include the Presidential Libraries for both George H. W. Bush in College Station, Texas, and George W. Bush in Dallas, Texas; the Dallas Cowboys stadium; the U.S. Capitol Visitors' Center; the Walter Reed Army Institute for Research; and the International Terminal at Hartsfield-Jackson Airport in Atlanta, Georgia.

In addition to his business career, Rooney and his family have a longstanding tradition of public and community service. He was appointed by President George W. Bush to serve as U.S. Ambassador to the Holy See from 2005 to 2008, and has also served on numerous public and private boards, including Naples Community Hospital, the Florida Gulf Coast University Foundation, the Center for the Study of the Presidency and Congress, and the Advisory Commission of the Panama Canal.

A graduate of Georgetown University (A.B. 1975) and Georgetown University Law Center (J.D. 1978), Rooney has honorary degrees from the University of Notre Dame (2006) and the University of Dallas (2010). He is a former member of the District of Columbia and Texas Bars, and holds a U.S. Coast Guard 100 Ton Masters License (sailing endorsement).

In the 115th Congress he was the Vice-Chair of the Foreign Affairs Committee and a member of the Joint Economic Committee. In the 116th Congress, Rooney serves as the ranking member of the Western Hemisphere subcommittee of the Foreign Affairs Committee. He also serves on the Committee on Education and Labor. He is the Republican co-chair of the Climate Solutions Caucus and a member of the bi-partisan Everglades and Estuary caucuses, which focus on restoring Florida's ecosystems. Rooney's top priority is to extend the moratorium on offshore drilling in the Eastern Gulf of Mexico.

He and his wife, Kathleen, live in Southwest Florida and have three children: Larry, married to Porscha; Michael, married to Frances; and Kathleen, married to Rob; one grandson, Beckett, and one granddaughter, Bergen.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **September 5, 1936**

Year Elected to Seat: **1993**

Education: **Fisk University, Florida A&M University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Rules**

Representative Alcee L. Hastings (D-FL-20)

Alcee L. Hastings represents his native state of Florida by serving as Congressman for District 23, which includes parts of Broward, Palm Beach, Hendry, Martin, and St. Lucie Counties. Congressman Hastings was first elected in 1992 and is currently serving his 12th term in the Congress. Born in Altamonte Springs, he attended Florida's public schools, and graduated from Fisk University in 1958. He earned his law degree from Florida A&M University in Tallahassee.

Congressman Hastings was first elected in 1992 and is currently serving his 14th term in the Congress. Born in Altamonte Springs, he attended Florida's public schools, and graduated from Fisk University in 1958. He earned his law degree from Florida A&M University in Tallahassee.

Known to many as "Judge," Alcee Hastings has distinguished himself as an attorney, civil rights activist, judge, and now Member of Congress. Appointed by President Jimmy Carter in 1979, he became the first African- American Federal Judge in the State of Florida, and served in that position for 10 years. Since his election to Congress as the first African-American from Florida since the post-Civil War period, Congressman Hastings has been an outspoken advocate for Floridians and our nation as a whole. Throughout his lifetime, Congressman Hastings has championed the rights of minorities, women, the elderly, children, and immigrants.

Congressman Hastings is the proud recipient of numerous honors and awards bestowed on him from organizations both at home and abroad. His governing philosophy is simple: he firmly believes that progress and change can be achieved through mutual respect and appreciation and that individuals and communities can see beyond the limits of parochialism, enabling them to better understand each other.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **May 16, 1948**

Year Elected to Seat: **2013**

Education: **Boston University, Georgetown University Law**

Committees Assignments:

- **Appropriations**

Representative Lois Frankel (D-FL-21)

From the student antiwar protests of the '60s to her election to Congress in 2012 where she represents South Florida, Congresswoman Lois Frankel has spent her lifetime delivering positive change to her community as a civic leader, state legislator, mayor, and now Member of the United States House of Representatives where she sits on House Appropriations Committee, serving on the Subcommittees for: Energy and Water Development; Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies; and State, Foreign Operations and Related Programs.

A trailblazer in the Florida State Legislature, Lois served as the first woman Democratic minority leader. She became a leading force to improve the economic condition of families and seniors and protect human rights and women's reproductive freedom - fights she continues today in Congress as chair of the Women's Caucus.

Prior to her election to Congress, Lois served as Mayor of West Palm Beach, raising her city to a new vitality and earning a reputation as an innovative problem solver.

On a personal note, Lois is an avid abstract painter and is most proud of her son Ben, a United States Marine war veteran.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **May 7, 1966**

Year Elected to Seat: **2010**

Education: **University of Michigan, University of Michigan Law School**

Committees Assignments:

- **Judiciary**
- **Foreign Affairs**

Representative Ted Deutch (D-FL-22)

Congressman Ted Deutch represents Florida's 22nd district, home to communities throughout Broward County and southeastern Palm Beach County in sunny South Florida. Now serving his fifth term in the 115th Congress, he is the Ranking Democrat of the House Ethics Committee and a senior member of the House Judiciary Committee and the House Foreign Affairs Committee, where he serves as the Ranking Democrat on the Middle East and North Africa Subcommittee.

Ted has been described as a rising voice in the House Democratic Caucus by the Washington newspaper Roll Call and was previously named one of the Forward newspaper's top Jewish politicians to watch. Noted by the South Florida Sun Sentinel his accessible personality, sense of humor, and thoughtful approach to the issues, Ted has proven himself to be an energetic advocate for the priorities of his constituents. Ted's priorities in the 115th Congress include promoting economic opportunity in South Florida, reducing the influence of big money in our elections, fighting for full equality for all, and advancing the security interests of the United States, Israel, and our allies. Learn more about his legislative priorities here.

Ted and his wife of 25 years, Jill, have lived and worked in South Florida since 1997. They live with their three children in Boca Raton and are members of the B'nai Torah Congregation. Prior to holding public office, Ted enjoyed a successful career as a commercial real estate attorney, and today Jill continues her work as Director of Development at Hillel of Broward and Palm Beach. Born and raised in the working class community of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, Ted is the youngest son of the late Jean and Bernard Deutch, a World War II veteran who earned a Purple Heart at the Battle of the Bulge. A graduate of the University of Michigan and the University of Michigan Law School, Ted earned the prestigious Harry S. Truman Scholarship. His passion for serving the community inspired him to run for the Florida State Senate in 2006.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **September 27, 1966**

Year Elected to Seat: **2005**

Education: **University of Florida**

Committees Assignments:

- **Appropriations**
- **Oversight and Reform**

Representative Debbie Wasserman Schultz (D-FL-23)

Debbie Wasserman Schultz has dedicated her public life to serving South Floridians and standing up for justice, equality, and opportunity wherever and whenever it is threatened. As Florida's first Jewish Congresswoman, she has earned the respect of her colleagues for working tirelessly on behalf of seniors, children, and families for nearly three decades.

First sworn in to the U.S. House of Representatives in 2005, Congresswoman Wasserman Schultz previously served in the Florida House of Representatives and Florida Senate where she originally displayed her philosophy that there is "no task too small, and no goal too big."

In the 116th Congress, Wasserman Schultz serves on the Committee on Oversight and Reform (COR), which has vast jurisdiction over the government and private sector, and plays a key role in overseeing the Trump Administration.

As Chief Deputy Whip of the Democratic Caucus, Congresswoman Wasserman Schultz has the unique ability to work with and help lead her colleagues in support of a progressive policy agenda. She has been a tireless defender of Social Security and Medicare and is strongly committed to expanding access to quality and affordable health care, preventing senseless tragedies of gun violence, and defending the fundamental idea that all Americans have the right to be treated equally under the law.

Congresswoman Wasserman Schultz attended the University of Florida where she served as president of the Student Senate and graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science in 1988 and a Master's Degree in 1990. She has been married to Steve Schultz for more than 20 years and together they have three children.

Wasserman Schultz has said that representing the people of Florida's 23rd district is the greatest privilege of her professional life. A proud South Floridian who represents parts of Broward and Miami-Dade counties, Congresswoman Wasserman Schultz resides with her family in Weston.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **November 5, 1942**

Year Elected to Seat: **2010**

Education: **Fisk University, University of Miami**

Committees Assignments:

- **Education and Workforce**
- **Transportation and Infrastructure**

Representative Frederica Wilson (D-FL-24)

Congresswoman Frederica S. Wilson proudly represents Florida's 24th Congressional District. It is one of the most ethnically and culturally diverse districts in the nation and includes parts of northwest Miami-Dade and southern Broward counties.

Recognizing her record of service and productivity, in 2010 voters overwhelmingly elected her to serve in the U.S. House of Representatives. As a former educator, elementary school principal, community leader, school board member, state legislator, and founder of the 5000 Role Models of Excellence Project, Congresswoman Wilson earned a reputation as a "Voice for the Voiceless." Her tenure in Congress, now in its fourth term, also has been marked by her signature spirit of unrelenting advocacy on behalf of the less fortunate.

The Florida lawmaker has continued her mission to improve the quality of life for her constituency by creating jobs with dignity, improving education, stopping home foreclosures, safeguarding Medicare and Social Security, and strengthening ties with Haiti and the Caribbean.

As a state legislator, she worked with Governor Jeb Bush to remove the Confederate flag from the State Capitol and passed a bill mandating HIV/AIDS testing for prisoners upon their release and linking them to care in the counties where they relocated. She also passed a bill that made rape in prison a felony crime. Other legislative achievements and priorities included relocating women in Florida prisons to facilities that would enable them to be closer to their children while serving out their sentences; opposing high-stakes testing; pushing for a ban of the term "illegal alien" in state public records; and partnering with Governor Charlie Crist to restore voting rights for ex-felons.

Born in Miami, Congresswoman Wilson learned the value of public service and community activism from her parents. The late Beulah Finley Smith and the late Thirlee Smith, Sr., were small business owners and civil rights activists. Her brother, the late Thirlee Smith, Jr., was the first full-time African American reporter at the Miami Herald and a long-time educator for Miami-Dade County Public Schools, who was responsible for implementing African-American history into the district's curriculum.

Congresswoman Wilson is widowed and the proud mother of three children: Nicole, LaKeshia, and Paul – and has five beautiful grandchildren.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **September 25, 1961**

Year Elected to Seat: **2003**

Education: **University of South Florida**

Committees Assignments:

- **Appropriations**

Representative Mario Diaz-Balart (R-FL-25)

Congressman Mario Diaz-Balart is currently fulfilling his 9th term in the U.S. House of Representatives, serving Florida's 25th congressional district. Diaz-Balart is a senior member of the House Committee on Appropriations and is Ranking Member of the Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, in addition to serving on the State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs and the Defense Subcommittees. Diaz-Balart also serves on the House Committee on the Budget. He passionately serves his constituents, acting tirelessly in defense of individual rights and liberties, promoting economic prosperity, and supporting a strong national defense. He is well known for his advocacy of human rights and democracy around the world, as well as for his staunch support of our global allies.

Diaz-Balart was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in 2002 to represent Florida's 25th Congressional district. Prior to his time in Congress, Diaz-Balart served 14 years in the Florida State Legislature in both chambers, House and Senate. He chaired a number of different committees, including the Combined Appropriations/Ways and Means/Finance and Tax Committee.

Diaz-Balart was born on September 25, 1961 in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida to Rafael and Hilda Diaz-Balart, and is the youngest of four brothers (Rafael, Lincoln, and Jose). He studied Political Science at the University of South Florida in Tampa.

Diaz-Balart currently resides in Miami, Florida with his wife, Tia, and son, Cristian Rafael.

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Date of Birth: **January 18, 1971**

Year Elected to Seat: **2019**

Education: **Pitzer College, Claremont Graduate University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Judiciary**
- **Transportation and Infrastructure**

Representative Debby Mucarsel-Powell (D-FL-26)

Like many Americans, Debbie Mucarsel-Powell immigrated to the United States from Ecuador as a young girl with her mother and sisters in search of better opportunities. She learned the struggles immigrants face at an early age when her mother worked double shifts while attending night school to learn English. At age 15, Debbie started helping her mother by working at a doughnut shop before school.

While working her way through high school and college, Debbie earned her Bachelor's degree in political science from Pitzer College. She then gained her Master's degree in International Political Economy from Claremont Graduate University while working as an office manager at a shipping company to make ends meet.

When she took her oath of office in 2019 to represent Florida's 26th congressional district as the first Ecuadorian-American and first South American immigrant member of Congress, Debbie promised to protect and uphold the values that helped her succeed in America. After her father died in a senseless act of gun violence, Debbie became a strong advocate for gun safety legislation. She fights for universal background checks and a ban on assault rifles so that families don't have to endure the tragedy hers did. Even before she was sworn in, she became a member of the Gun Violence Prevention Task Force. From her first day, she has taken her place as a champion for gun safety, health care, immigration reform, the environment, and human rights.

Before becoming a member of Congress, Debbie worked for several non-profit organizations, including the Hope Center, Zoo Miami Foundation, and the Coral Restoration Foundation. She understands first-hand the immediacy of climate change, and the drastic actions we must take to invest in green energy, reduce carbon emissions, and protect South Florida from rising sea levels. She will fight for clean air and drinking water for all Floridians and restore the Everglades.

As a mother of three, Debbie is on the frontline, fighting for Florida's families -- whether that is fighting this Administration's family separation policy, prioritizing equal pay, keeping our planet clean for future generations, or supporting gun safety. Debbie is honored to serve her community of South Florida.

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Date of Birth: **February 14, 1941**

Year Elected to Seat: **2019**

Education: **Western College, Syracuse University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Education and Labor**
- **Rules**

Representative Donna Shalala (D-FL-27)

Congresswoman Donna E. Shalala has spent her entire life fighting to improve the lives of others, advocating tirelessly for women's rights, civil rights, increased access to health care, better education and schools and a clean, sustainable environment. She is proud to now represent Florida's 27th District, which includes the City of Miami and surrounding municipalities in Miami-Dade County.

Donna was born and raised in Cleveland, Ohio. Her grandparents were migrants from Lebanon and moved to the United States to pursue the American Dream. Donna understands first-hand the hard work and dedication that defines the lives of immigrants trying to provide a better life for their family, as her grandparents and parents did for her and her twin sister.

Donna received her degree in history from Western College for Women and earned her Ph.D. from The Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs at Syracuse University. She served as President of Hunter College of the City University of New York from 1980 to 1987 and as Chancellor of the University of Wisconsin-Madison from 1987 to 1993.

President Carter tapped Donna to serve as the Assistant Secretary for Policy Development and Research at the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. One of her major accomplishments was placing, in 1979, the first ever solar panels on the roof of the White House, exemplifying her long-standing commitment to protecting the environment and promoting the use of renewable energy before it was the mainstream thing to do.

Donna was appointed by President Bill Clinton to serve as the U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) where she served for eight years, becoming the longest serving HHS Secretary in U.S. history. During her tenure at HHS Donna fought to create, implement and oversee the Children's Healthcare Insurance Program, currently covering over 7.6 million children throughout the country as well as doubling the budget of the National Institute of Health and securing the highest immunization rates in American history.

In 2008, President George W. Bush awarded Donna Shalala the Presidential Medal of Freedom, our nation's highest civilian honor where she was recognized for her, "leadership and determination to ensure that all Americans can enjoy lives of hope, promise and dignity."

Donna is unapologetic in her love for South Florida's natural beauty, its rich culture and its diverse people.

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