



Date of Birth: **December 17, 1973**

Year Elected to Seat: **2017**

Education: **La Salle University, Penn State University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Foreign Affairs**
- **Transportation and Infrastructure**

Representative Brian Fitzpatrick (R-PA-1)

After dedicating his professional life to the service and protecting others, Brian Fitzpatrick was elected to the United States House of Representatives in 2016 to represent the people of Pennsylvania's First Congressional District which includes all of Bucks County and a portion of Montgomery County. His top priorities in Congress are increasing economic opportunity and keeping our nation safe.

A Levittown native and graduate of Bishop Egan High School, Brian is a graduate of LaSalle University, Penn State University and the Dickinson School of Law. He is a licensed Certified Public Accountant, Emergency Medical Technician as well as an attorney - having previously served as a Special Assistant U.S. Attorney focused on drug crimes.

For 14 years prior to running for Congress, Brian served our country as an FBI Supervisory Special Agent fighting political corruption and supporting global counterterrorism efforts – including being embedded with U.S. Special Forces as part Operation Iraqi Freedom. Working to promote freedom and democracy, Brian also served as National Director for the FBI's Campaign Finance and Election Crimes Enforcement Program and as a national supervisor for the FBI's Political Corruption Unit where he is recognized as an expert in restoring integrity to governmental institutions. For his work, Brian was an inaugural recipient of the FBI Director's Leadership Award in 2015 and was named "Investigator of the Year by the Federal Law Enforcement Foundation.

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Date of Birth: **February 6, 1977**

Year Elected to Seat: **2015**

Education: **University of Notre Dame (BA),
Harvard University (MPP)**

Committees Assignments:

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

Notes:

Representative Brendan Boyle (D-PA-2)

Congressman Brendan F. Boyle was born and raised in the city of Philadelphia. The son of an immigrant, Congressman Boyle's father was a janitor for SEPTA and mother a school crossing guard.

The first in his family to attend college, he attended the University of Notre Dame and later graduated from Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government with a master's degree in Public Policy.

He was elected to the Pennsylvania state legislature in 2008, becoming the first Democrat to ever represent his legislative district. Two years later his brother, Kevin, was also elected to the state legislature, making them the first brothers to serve together in the state House. In 2014, Congressman Boyle pulled off an upset win over three better funded rivals to be elected to Congress.

Now in his third term, Congressman Boyle represents the 2nd Pennsylvania congressional district, which includes parts of Philadelphia and Montgomery County. He currently serves on the House Foreign Affairs Committee and the House Committee on the Budget. He is the founder and co-chair of the "Blue Collar Caucus" which advocates for working families by addressing wage stagnation, job insecurity, and the future of work.



Date of Birth: **May 16, 1954**

Year Elected to Seat: **2016**

Education: **Community College of Philadelphia, La Salle College**

Committees Assignments:

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

Notes:

Representative Dwight Evans (D-PA-3)

Congressman Dwight Evans represents Pennsylvania's 3rd Congressional District, which includes Northwest and West Philadelphia and parts of North, South and Center City Philadelphia. He was first elected in a special election in November 2016. Before that, he served as a state representative for 36 years, and earned a reputation as a pragmatic leader who knows how to put public policy above politics and make ideas matter. He made history in 1990 when he became the first African-American chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, a position he held for two decades.

Throughout his public service career, Congressman Evans has worked tirelessly to expand and broaden access to economic and educational opportunities for all Philadelphians. He currently serves on the Ways and Means Committee and as vice chair of the Small Business Committee. He is also an at-large member of the executive committee of the Congressional Black Caucus. In his first term, he had one of his bills passed and signed into law, a true accomplishment for a freshman in the minority party. The new law is designed to reduce costs for small business owners who apply for a loan through the Small Business Administration. He also hosted a roundtable in Philadelphia on small business issues with then Ranking Member, now Chairwoman of the Small Business Committee, Nydia Velazquez.

In his first term, he also supported a criminal justice reform bill which became law, the First Step Act. His efforts also included hosting a roundtable on the subject in Philadelphia with then Ranking Member, now Chairman of the Judiciary Committee, Jerry Nadler. Congressman Evans is also a member of the House Gun Violence Prevention Task Force.

In the new Democratic-majority House, Congressman Evans is looking forward to advancing priorities such as protecting health care and reducing health disparities, and advocating for gun reform, criminal justice reform and economic development, including supporting small businesses.

A longtime resident of the West Oak Lane neighborhood, he is a graduate of Germantown High School, the Community College of Philadelphia and LaSalle University. Congressman Evans will keep working to rebuild Philadelphia, and America, block by block!



Date of Birth: **June 6, 1959**

Year Elected to Seat: **2019**

Education: **La Salle University, Widener University Delaware Law School**

Committees Assignments:

- **Judiciary**
- **Financial Services**

Representative Madeleine Dean (D-PA-4)

Born and raised in Glenside, Pennsylvania, to Bob and Mary Dean, Madeleine got her start in politics around the dinner table with her five older brothers and one older sister. She was graduated from Abington High School, and at age 18 won election to serve as a local committee-person.

Madeleine completed her undergraduate studies at La Salle University in Philadelphia, and earned her law degree at Delaware Law School of Widener University. She returned home, practicing law in a small Philadelphia firm and with the Philadelphia Trial Lawyers Association and eventually serving as executive director. Madeleine then opened a small, three-woman law practice in Glenside.

While she and her husband PJ were raising three young sons, Madeleine changed career paths and began teaching something she loves — writing — at her alma mater La Salle University. From 2001 until 2011 she was a member of the English Department — teaching composition, persuasive writing and rhetoric, business writing, legal writing, and ethics. She also contributed to The Philadelphia Inquirer, The Daily News, The Patriot-News and other publications.

During her six-and-a-half years in Harrisburg, May of 2012 until November 2018, Madeleine was an outspoken champion of public education, healthcare access, environmental protection, equal rights, ethics, criminal justice reform, combating addiction and ending gun violence. Following the Sandy Hook shooting, Madeleine founded and served as Co-Chair of the PA SAFE Caucus — an active coalition of legislators and advocates dedicated to ending gun violence.

In 2015, Governor Tom Wolf appointed Madeleine to the Pennsylvania Commission for Women, advising the Governor on policies and legislation to improve the lives of women and their families.

In Congress, Madeleine remains focused on decency and the common good; that means working hard to address issues that affect Americans deeply — including stopping gun violence and guaranteeing health care for all. In Madeleine’s view, building a more compassionate society means making smart, humane policy choices. It also means working to ensure that government functions smoothly and delivers the services constituents need.

Madeleine is a lifelong parishioner of St. Luke the Evangelist Church in Glenside, and has served as a board member for the St. Vincent de Paul Society. She and her husband PJ Cunnane live in Jenkintown, Abington Township, and have three grown sons — Patrick, Harry and Alex — two daughters-in-law — Stephanie and Juliet — and one adorable 7-year-old granddaughter, Aubrey.

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Date of Birth: **August 30, 1959**

Year Elected to Seat: **2018**

Education: **Colgate University, University of Pennsylvania**

Committees Assignments:

- **Judiciary**
- **Rules**

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Representative Mary Gay Scanlon (D-PA-5)

Congresswoman Mary Gay Scanlon, an education and human rights advocate, currently represents Pennsylvania’s 5th Congressional District. She was first sworn into U.S. House of Representatives on November 13, 2018.

Congresswoman Scanlon previously served as national pro bono counsel at a major US law firm, where she directed and supervised over 600 lawyers in 15 offices in providing more than 50,000 hours of pro bono legal services annually to low-income clients and non-profit organizations. Under her leadership, the pro bono program worked on critical issues, including voting rights, child advocacy, immigration, housing, public benefits, criminal justice reform, free press, and other constitutional rights. The program earned the 2018 American Bar Association’s annual pro bono award.

Congresswoman Scanlon also served as an attorney at the Education Law Center, as President of her local school board, and as co-chair of the Voting Rights Task Force of the Association of Pro Bono Counsel.

Congresswoman Scanlon’s priorities in Congress include voting rights, education, common sense gun safety legislation, and protecting the rights of children, families, veterans and our seniors. She currently serves as Vice Chair of the House Judiciary Committee, the House Rules Committee, and the House Select Committee on the Modernization of Congress.

Mary Gay is a graduate of Colgate University and University of Pennsylvania Law School. She and her husband Mark have three children: Casey, Daniel, and Matthew. Mary Gay and Mark reside in Swarthmore with their two rescue dogs, Abby and Emma, a cockatiel named TJ, and several chickens.



Date of Birth: **June 5, 1967**

Year Elected to Seat: **2019**

Education: **Stanford University,
Massachusetts Institute of Technology**

Committees Assignments:

- **Armed Services**
- **Foreign Affairs**
- **Small Business**

Notes:

Representative Chrissy Houlahan (D-PA-6)

U.S. Representative Chrissy Houlahan is an Air Force veteran, engineer, entrepreneur, and educator who is continuing her career of service as the first woman ever to represent Pennsylvania's 6th District in Congress.

Chrissy is the daughter and granddaughter of Holocaust survivors who came to America with nothing. She grew up in a military family; her parents met when her father and grandfather flew P3s in the same Navy squadron. She earned her engineering degree from Stanford with an ROTC scholarship that launched her service in the U.S. Air Force and Air Force Reserves, and later earned her M.S. in Technology and Policy from MIT.

Chrissy has helped lead several thriving Southeastern Pennsylvania companies including AND1, a basketball apparel company headquartered in Paoli, and B Lab, the organization that launched the B Corporation movement. She went on to serve in Teach for America as a chemistry teacher at Simon Gratz High School in North Philadelphia, and then led and scaled a non-profit helping thousands of underserved students all across America build their literacy skills.

These experiences helped shape her political vision of a great nation united by common values that leaves no one behind. She is committed to fighting for access to quality, affordable healthcare, common sense gun safety, government accountability and transparency, and working to build a strong, stable economy with good jobs and good benefits for everyone.

Chrissy is a leader driven by a spirit of service. She's a mom, a longtime resident of Southeastern Pennsylvania, and a first-time congressional representative heading to Washington to solve real problems for the people and communities of Pennsylvania.



Date of Birth: **June 7, 1957**

Year Elected to Seat: **2018**

Education: **American University, George Washington University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Education and Labor**
- **Foreign Affairs**

Notes:

Representative Susan Wild (D-PA-7)

Growing up in a military family, Susan moved frequently throughout her childhood. But the Lehigh Valley and the 7th District, where she moved more than three decades ago, is the only place she’s ever truly called home.

It’s where her two children were born and attended public schools. It’s where she’s built a well-respected and recognized legal career, including becoming the first female Solicitor of the City of Allentown where she shepherded in a new era of accountability and transparency. And it’s where she’s become a respected and outspoken community leader.

She believes we can grow overall economic prosperity while still caring for the vulnerable members of our community. And she knows, now more than ever, it’s working-class families that deserve a break in this economy — not big city billionaires and wealthy corporations.



Date of Birth: **May 1, 1961**

Year Elected to Seat: **2013**

Education: **Hamilton College, University of Pennsylvania Law School**

Committees Assignments:
• **Appropriations**

Notes:

Representative Matt Cartwright (D-PA-8)

U.S. Representative Matt Cartwright represents Pennsylvania’s 8th Congressional District and was first sworn into Congress on January 3, 2013. In Congress, Matt is committed to working across the aisle to advocate for working families. Matt’s priorities include strengthening the middle class, creating jobs, ensuring quality health care, protecting seniors, and supporting veterans and military families. Matt has introduced over 60 pieces of legislation and more bipartisan bills than any other House Democrat.

Matt serves on the powerful House Appropriations Committee, and is on the Appropriations Subcommittees for Commerce—Justice—Science and Financial Services & General Government. He is also a member of the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee. Matt sits on the House Steering and Policy Committee, which advises House Democratic Leadership on policy and Committee appointments, and is a Regional Whip.

Prior to coming to Congress, Matt worked as an attorney with Munley, Munley & Cartwright for 25 years. He spent his time at the firm fighting for working families, and served as a member of the Board of Governors of the American Association for Justice.

Matt graduated magna cum laude with a history degree from Hamilton College in 1983. He earned his J.D. from the University of Pennsylvania Law School in 1986, where he was a member of law review.

Matt lives in Moosic with his wife, Marion Munley Cartwright. They have two sons, Jack and Matthew.



Date of Birth: **February 10, 1964**

Year Elected to Seat: **2019**

Education: **State University of New York
Maritime College, Cornell University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Education and Labor**
- **Budget**
- **Veterans' Affairs**

Representative Dan Meuser (R-PA-9)

Dan Meuser is a conservative business leader who is bringing to Congress his experience as a proven job creator, a dedicated public servant and a respected member of his community.

Dan's the son of a police officer. He grew up in a hardworking, middle-class family. After high school, Dan attended the New York Maritime University and Cornell.

Dan soon joined Pride Mobility Products, then a small health care products manufacturer. Dan helped build Pride Mobility into an industry leader in the power mobility field. Over two decades, Dan helped transform Pride Mobility from a small business to a large and successful Pennsylvania employer named one of the state's best places to work. While at Pride Mobility, Dan helped create thousands of family-sustaining jobs. Pride Mobility continues to employ hundreds of Pennsylvanians and its products improve the quality of life for people around the world.

After a successful business career, Dan felt called to give back to his community and his country through public service. In 2011, Governor Tom Corbett nominated Dan to serve as Pennsylvania's Secretary of Revenue.

Dan worked to reform the Department of Revenue and make it more efficient and customer-friendly for Pennsylvania taxpayers. Dan's leadership transformed the Department from a tax collection agency to a taxpayer advocacy agency. His experience in business helped him bring the Department into the 21st century with innovative technological advances and procedural improvements.

Dan's leadership of the Department was recognized by the Council on State Taxation for the most dramatic improvement of any department of revenue in the country, going from a D rating to an A- over the course of his tenure.

Dan and his wife of 28 years, Shelley, have raised their three children here in Pennsylvania. Over the years, Dan and Shelley have worked to improve their community through their involvement with numerous charities and philanthropic efforts.

On January 3, 2019, Dan Meuser was sworn in as a member of the 116th Congress representing Pennsylvania's 9th Congressional District. Today, Dan is putting to work his experience and conservative values to make our economy stronger and our nation safer. Dan is a problem solver. He's accessible and active in our community. And he never forgets who he works for: the hardworking families of Pennsylvania's 9th District.

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Date of Birth: **May 27, 1962**

Year Elected to Seat: **2013**

Education: **Penn State University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Foreign Affairs**
- **Transportation and Infrastructure**

Representative Scott Perry (R-PA-10)

Scott Perry was elected as the U.S. Representative of the 4th Congressional District (York, Adams and Cumberland Counties) in 2013. He earned re-election in 2018, and due to congressional redistricting, now serves the 10th Congressional District (Dauphin, Cumberland and York Counties). Congressman Perry presently serves on the House Committees on Transportation & Infrastructure, and Foreign Affairs. He previously served three terms as a State Representative in the Pennsylvania General Assembly.

Scott began working at age 13, picking fruit at Ashcombe's Farm in Mechanicsburg. He's been a mechanic, dock worker, draftsman, and a licensed insurance agent. He's a 1980 graduate of Northern High School in Dillsburg, and the Cumberland-Perry Vo-Tech School. Scott put himself through college while working full-time. He graduated from the Pennsylvania State University in 1991, where he earned a Bachelor's of Science degree in Business Administration Management. In 1993, Scott started his own mechanical contracting firm. The Dillsburg-based business provided contract construction and maintenance services to municipal and investor-owned utilities from North Carolina to New York and specialized in large meter calibration.

Scott began his military career in 1980. He attended basic training at Fort Dix, NJ, and graduated Advanced Individual Training at Fort Belvoir, VA, as a technical drafting specialist. He graduated as the president of his Officer Candidate School class, and was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the Field Artillery branch. He soon branch-transferred to Army Aviation, where he earned qualifications in almost every rotary-wing aircraft in the Army inventory (Huey, Cayuse, Kiowa, Cobra, Chinook, Apache and Blackhawk), and the Instructor Pilot rating. Scott commanded at the company, battalion and brigade levels; notably, Lieutenant Colonel Perry commanded the 2-104th General Support Aviation Battalion, which deployed to Iraq from 2009-2010, and during which he flew 44 combat missions. In 2011, he was promoted to the rank of Colonel, and became Commander of the Fort Indiantown Gap National Training Site. Scott was selected for promotion to the rank of Brigadier General in 2014, and was honored to serve as the Assistant Division Commander of the 28th Infantry Division – the Army's oldest, actively-serving Division. He presently serves in the position of Assistant Adjutant General, Joint Forces Headquarters, Pennsylvania National Guard. Scott is a graduate of the US Army War College, where he earned a Master's Degree in Strategic Studies.

Scott's service to the community has included serving as the chairman of the Carroll Township Planning Commission, and as a member of the township Source Water Protection Committee. He was chairman of the Dillsburg Area Wellhead Protection Advisory Committee and he served on the Dillsburg Revitalization Committee. He was active in the Jaycees and was the regional director for the state organization. He's a member of Dillsburg Legion Post #26, Dillsburg VFW Post #6771, Lions Club International, Army Aviation Association of America, the NRA, and numerous other associations.

Scott and his wife, Christy are the proud parents of two children.

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Date of Birth: **January 23, 1964**

Year Elected to Seat: **2017**

Education: **Lebanon Valley College,
Franklin and Marshall College**

Committees Assignments:

- **Transportation and Infrastructure**
- **Education and Labor**

Notes:

Representative Lloyd K. Smucker (R-PA-11)

Lloyd Smucker wants to reignite the American Dream. He believes this can be achieved by working to increase economic opportunity for everyone, reining in Washington’s out-of-control spending, and providing regulatory relief to small businesses so they can expand and create jobs.

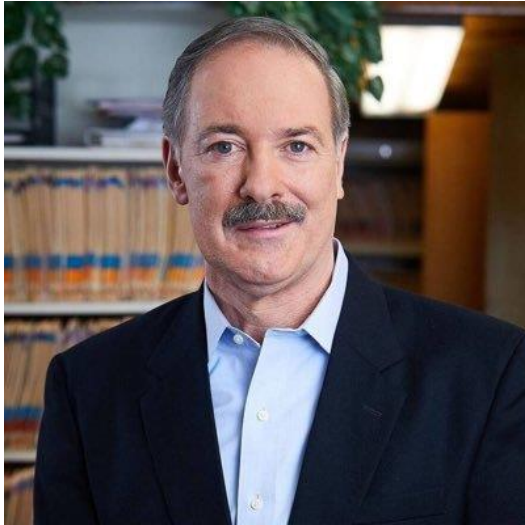
Prior to being elected to Congress, Rep. Smucker owned and operated the Smucker Company for 25 years, and grew the small business to eventually employ more than 150 people.

He served two terms in the Pennsylvania State Senate where he chaired the Committee on Education. In that capacity, he pioneered reforms to increase accountability in education spending and worked to ensure Pennsylvania students had access to quality education. Rep. Smucker led the charge to hold elected officials accountable by proposing reforms to the ethics guidelines. As a member of the Appropriations Committee, he made it a priority to rein in spending, and built a reputation as an independent-minded conservative who seeks creative solutions to complex problems.

Lancaster Online has praised Rep. Smucker's accessibility, and notes that he has “a reputation as a fierce advocate” for his constituents.

Rep. Smucker serves on the Budget, Transportation and Infrastructure, and Education and the Workforce committees.

He lives in West Lampeter Township with his wife, Cindy, and three children.



Date of Birth: **February 8, 1957**

Year Elected to Seat: **2013**

Education: **Temple University, Penn State University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Homeland Security**
- **Small Business**

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Representative John Joyce (R-PA-13)

Dr. John Joyce lives in Blair County with his wife, Alice. He was born in Altoona, Pennsylvania to Bernie and Peggy (Hallinan) Joyce, the third generation of the Joyce family to be born and raised in Altoona.

A 1975 graduate of Bishop Guilfoyle High School, John attended Penn State Altoona for two years, and then continued his undergraduate education at Penn State University Park. He graduated with honors with a degree in biology in 1979. John continued his education at Temple University receiving his M.D. in 1983.

Subsequently, he completed a 3 year internal medicine residency as a Johns Hopkins fellow in Baltimore, Maryland. He then completed a residency in Dermatology at Johns Hopkins finishing as chief resident. Dr. Joyce is a fellow in the American College of Physicians and the American Academy of Dermatology.

After leaving Johns Hopkins Hospital, Joyce worked with the United States Navy at Portsmouth Naval Hospital in Virginia during Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm. He received commendations from U.S. Navy Rear Admiral David B. LeStage for his work during this time.

Upon completion of his time with the Navy, Dr. Joyce returned to his hometown, Altoona, with his wife Alice and their three children, where they established Altoona Dermatology Associates. For over 25 years, Dr. Joyce and his wife have cared for patients in the Central Pennsylvania area, serving all ten counties in the 13th Congressional district.

John has served on the Advisory Board of the Penn State Altoona Campus, the American Cancer Society, The United Way, the Goodman Trust, as a mentor for the Eberly College of Science at Penn State, and as a volunteer at the St. Vincent DePaul Soup Kitchen. He is a life-long member of the Cathedral in Altoona.

Dr. Joyce has spent his entire adult life serving families in our community, and now he will continue to serve people, but at a different level.

John was elected to serve as a member of Congress for Pennsylvania’s 13th Congressional District in November of 2018. He was sworn in to office on January 3, 2019.



Date of Birth: **April 17, 1983**

Year Elected to Seat: **2019**

Education: **Penn State University, Duquesne University School of Law**

Committees Assignments:

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

Notes:

Representative Guy Reschenthaler (R-PA-14)

Congressman Guy Reschenthaler was sworn into office on January 3, 2019 to represent Pennsylvania's 14th Congressional District including Washington, Fayette, Greene, and portions of Westmoreland Counties.

The son of former teachers, Guy was raised in southwestern Pennsylvania, graduated from Penn State, The Behrend College, and completed law school at Duquesne University.

After law school, Guy fulfilled a lifelong dream and joined the U.S. Navy Judge Advocate General Corps and volunteered for duty in Iraq.

In Baghdad, Guy prosecuted nearly 100 terrorists, including some of Iraq's most dangerous terrorists. He also successfully defended a Navy SEAL falsely accused of mishandling the Butcher of Fallujah.

Stateside, he served as a Navy lawyer in Norfolk, Va. and then in Texas and Oklahoma, where he was the first uniformed military officer ever to share in the prestigious Michael Taylor Shelby Award, given annually by the Southern District of Texas Chapter of the Federal Bar Association for outstanding ethics and professionalism.

Back home in southwestern Pennsylvania, Guy worked in private practice at a multi-state law firm and was elected Magisterial District Judge, winning the nomination of both parties.

Congressman Reschenthaler previously served in the State Senate representing portions of Allegheny and Washington County. In the State Senate, Reschenthaler's priorities included improving education opportunities, limiting government and lowering taxes, and reforming the pension system.



Date of Birth: **July 27, 1959**

Year Elected to Seat: **2009**

Education: **Penn State University, Temple University**

Committees Assignments:

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

Representative Glenn W. Thompson (R-PA-15)

Prior to being elected to Pennsylvania's geographically largest congressional district, GT spent 28 years as a therapist, rehabilitation services manager and a licensed nursing home administrator. Through his professional experiences, GT has touched the lives of thousands of individuals facing life-altering conditions. As a result, he has learned firsthand the importance of access to quality healthcare and has become a strong advocate for increased access, affordability, quality of care, and patient choice.

A 30+ year veteran of the Juniata Valley Boy Scout Council, GT has served as Scoutmaster, Council executive board member, and Council president. He has enriched the lives of youth throughout Central Pennsylvania. Among just 2,000 presented since 1969, GT received the National Distinguished Eagle Scout Award in 2012.

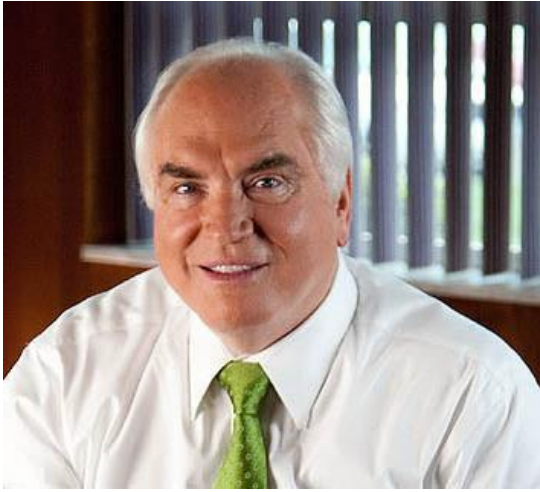
GT is also a former member of the Bald Eagle Area School Board, past vice-chair of the Private Industry Council of the Central Corridor and a former Workforce Investment Board member. Because of these experiences, he was appointed to the House Committee on Education & Workforce in 2008. Rep. Thompson is also serving in his fourth term as Co-Chairman of the bipartisan Congressional Career and Technical Education Caucus. In the 115th Congress, Thompson introduced the Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act that passed the House and Senate unanimously and was signed into law by President Donald Trump.

A community leader and a volunteer firefighter with over three decades of service, GT is acutely aware of the challenges facing Pennsylvania communities. As a member of the Agriculture, and Education & Workforce committees, GT is in a unique position to bring his expertise and knowledge to bear on the issues facing rural businesses, communities, and families, in order to improve the lives of the citizens of the Fifteenth District. In the 115th Congress, GT served as Vice Chairman of the Agriculture Committee and as Chairman of the Subcommittee on Nutrition.

GT has been the No. 1 speaker on the House Floor for the past four years. He views this as a responsibility to be a strong voice for the citizens of the Fifteenth District and an opportunity to influence the Washington legislative agenda.

GT is a proud graduate of Penn State and Temple Universities, where he earned a B.S. and a Master of Education, respectively. He and his wife, Penny Ammerman-Thompson, have three adult sons, Parker (pastor), Logan (soldier), and Kale (music teacher). GT and Penny reside in Howard Township, Pa.

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Date of Birth: **May 10, 1948**

Year Elected to Seat: **2011**

Education: **Notre Dame**

Committees Assignments:

- **Ways and Means**

Representative Mike Kelly (R-PA-16)

Mike Kelly was born in Pittsburgh and raised in Butler, Pennsylvania, where he has lived for more than 50 years. After graduating from Butler High School in 1966, Mike attended the University of Notre Dame on a football and academic scholarship. After college, Mike moved back to Butler to work at Kelly Chevrolet-Cadillac, Inc., a company founded by his father in the early 1950s. Mike took ownership of the dealership in the mid-1990s and expanded its operations to include Hyundai and KIA franchises.

Back in Butler, Mike's auto dealerships currently employ more than 100 people from the region, and are leaders in the local and national automotive industry. Mike has served as Chairman of the Hyundai Eastern Region Dealer Council, Vice Chairman of the Hyundai National Dealer Council, and has sat on the boards of the Chevrolet Dealers Advertising Association of Pittsburgh and the Cadillac Consultants of Western Pennsylvania. Additionally, Mike is a former Secretary and Treasurer of the Hyundai "Hope on Wheels" initiative, which has donated more than \$145 million to childhood cancer research institutions nationwide. He continues to work with the organization as a lawmaker.

Prior to entering Congress, Mike served on the Butler City Council and sat on the boards of several local and civic organizations, including the Housing Authority of Butler County, the Redevelopment Authority of Butler County, and the Moraine Trails Council of Boys Scouts of America. In recognition of Mike's extensive volunteer and charitable work, Catholic Charities awarded him its Mary DeMucci Award. The Mayor of Butler designated October 26, 2001, as "Mike Kelly Day" for his commitment to his hometown.

Dedicated to improving education, Mike founded the Butler Quarterback Club and The Golden Tornado Scholastic Foundation, each of which provides unique and innovative educational programs for students in the Butler Area School District. Mike and his wife, Victoria, a former elementary school teacher, also established the Mary McTighe Kelly Creative Teaching Grant for elementary educators and the Lighthouse Foundation's One Warm Coat Program, which has helped collect hundreds of winter coats for students in need in the Butler community.

Mike is constantly honored and humbled to represent the values, interests, and concerns of the 16th District, especially as they relate to his work on the House Ways and Means Committee and his role as Ranking Member of the Subcommittee on Oversight. He is proud to be considered a leader among his colleagues as he serves as the Republican chairman of the Congressional Korea Caucus, the House Automotive Caucus, the Childhood Cancer Caucus, the House Retirement Security Caucus, the Health Care Innovation Caucus, and the House Small Brewers Caucus. He is also an appointed member on the President's Export Council.

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Date of Birth: **June 27, 1984**

Year Elected to Seat: **2018**

Education: **University of Pennsylvania (BA, JD)**

Committees Assignments:

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

Notes:

Representative Conor Lamb (D-PA-17)

Congressman Conor Lamb was sworn in to the United States House of Representatives on January 3, 2019 to represent Pennsylvania's 17th Congressional District, which includes parts of Allegheny and Butler Counties, as well as all of Beaver County in southwestern Pennsylvania.

Lamb previously served as an Assistant U.S. Attorney in the Justice Department's Pittsburgh office. In this position, he prosecuted violent crimes and drug trafficking and helped establish the office as a national leader in the fight against the heroin epidemic. Lamb served on active duty in the U.S. Marine Corps from 2009-2013 and continues to serve as a Major in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserves.

Lamb's priorities during the 116th Congress include protecting Social Security and Medicare as well as fighting for good jobs and strong unions. Using his own personal knowledge and experience to help veterans, Lamb will serve as Vice Chair of the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs. He is also working to improve our nation by providing new insight as a member of the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, and was elected Chair of the Energy Subcommittee to advocate for family-supporting jobs and cutting-edge science. Lamb also serves as the Chair of the Congressional Steel Caucus, working with colleagues from both parties to strengthen the steel industry to protect the jobs and workers in PA-17. Lamb is also determined to make health care more affordable and to take aggressive action to combat the heroin epidemic.

Lamb is 34 years old and resides in his home town of Mt. Lebanon. He is a graduate of Pittsburgh Central Catholic High School (2002) and of the University of Pennsylvania and the University of Pennsylvania Law School (2006, 2009).



Date of Birth: **August 5, 1953**

Year Elected to Seat: **1995**

Education: **Penn State University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Energy and Commerce**

Representative Mike Doyle (D-PA-18)

His top priorities include creating jobs and revitalizing communities in the 18th District through economic development and high-tech initiatives, reforming health care, providing better public education, establishing a comprehensive long-term national energy strategy that creates green jobs and addresses global warming, and fostering a better climate for our high-tech community.

Congressman Doyle serves on the House Energy and Commerce Committee, which is one of only four exclusive committees in the House. There he sits on the subcommittees on: 1) Energy and 2) Communications and Technology. As of January 2019, Congressman Doyle serves as the Chairman of the Communications and Technology Subcommittee.

Congressman Doyle has been working aggressively on the Energy and Commerce Committee to reduce U.S. dependence on foreign oil supplies through the development of new, more energy-efficient technology and alternative and renewable sources of energy. He is also actively involved in efforts to draft energy policies that will halt global warming without destroying or outsourcing American jobs. He has also been working hard on the Energy and Commerce Committee to promote the availability of reliable, affordable, high-speed broadband internet service for all Americans.

Congressman Doyle is a member in the House Democratic Caucus and the founder and co-chair of the Congressional Autism Caucus, also known as the Coalition for Autism Research and Education (C.A.R.E.).

He is also one of the founders and co-chairs of the House Distributed Generation Caucus, which works to promote the widespread adoption of decentralized power generation technology that is both fuel efficient and environmentally friendly and reduces peak demands on our nation's over-utilized electricity transmission grid – and he is a member of the House Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Caucus, which promotes hydrogen and fuel cells as alternatives to overseas petroleum.

He is also a member of the Leadership Pittsburgh Alumni Organization, the Ancient Order of Hibernians (AOH), the Italian Sons and Daughters of America (ISDA), and the Penn State Alumni Association.

Doyle is a graduate of Penn State University, where he received a Bachelor of Science degree in Community Development in 1975. Prior to serving in Congress, Doyle was a small business owner and the Chief of Staff for State Senator Frank Pecora. Doyle and his wife, Susan, reside in Forest Hills and have four children: Michael, David, Kevin, and Alexandra.

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Date of Birth: **July 15, 1961**

Year Elected to Seat: **2011**

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

Committees Assignments:

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

Notes:

Representative David Cicilline (D-RI-1)

Congressman David N. Cicilline serves Rhode Island's First Congressional District in the U.S. House of Representatives. Cicilline is a member of the House Democratic Leadership as Chair of the Democratic Policy and Communications Committee (DPCC). He is also a leader in Congress on issues of core American values, serving as Chairman of the House Antitrust Subcommittee, Co-Chair of the Congressional LGBT Equality Caucus, and Vice Chair of the Congressional Progressive Caucus.

As the Chairman of the House Antitrust Subcommittee, Cicilline oversees an expansive portfolio of ensuring access to affordable health care, keeping the courts open to consumers and workers, promoting innovation and economic opportunity through open and competitive markets, keeping the internet open and free through strong net neutrality rules, promoting access to high-speed broadband internet, and holding the Trump administration accountable through oversight.

On the House Foreign Affairs Committee, Cicilline has fought to keep Americans safe against terrorists' threats while also working to bring our troops home safely and responsibly from Afghanistan and Iraq. Cicilline has also established himself as a leader on human rights.

In Congress, Cicilline has become one of the leading advocates for the Make it in America agenda to help rebuild and strengthen America's manufacturing sector. Cicilline has introduced legislation to help create jobs, promote American-made goods, and stimulate economic growth. In 2015, Cicilline passed an amendment into law to help American manufacturers compete against foreign businesses for U.S. government contracts.

As a champion for the middle class, Cicilline has worked hard to ensure that Rhode Islanders who work hard and play by the rules are able to buy a home, send their kids to college, and save for retirement. Cicilline has fought to increase the federal minimum wage and permanently extend the child tax credit to provide tax relief to working families. Cicilline has also been a strong advocate for equal pay for women and paid family leave.

Cicilline has worked to protect nation's seniors and to honor our commitment to them by opposing every effort to privatize Social Security and cut Medicare. In 2014, Cicilline lead 116 of his House colleagues in convincing President Obama to abandon his plans to use a different formula that would have led to a reduction in Social Security benefits. In 2015, Cicilline led the fight for a Cost of Living Adjustment to Social Security benefits. Cicilline also voted for the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2015, which prevented a substantial increase in the cost of Medicare premiums.



Date of Birth: **April 22, 1964**

Year Elected to Seat: **2001**

Education: **Rhode Island College, Harvard University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Armed Services**
- **Homeland Security**

Notes:

Representative Jim Langevin (D-RI-2)

Throughout his career, Congressman Jim Langevin (LAN'-jih-vin) has made Rhode Island’s priorities his own and fought to open the doors of government to its rightful owners - the people of this great nation.

Recognized as a national and party leader on national security, health care and cybersecurity, Congressman Jim Langevin has dedicated his many years of public service at the federal and state levels to the hard-working citizens of Rhode Island.

Langevin is a senior member of the House Armed Services Committee, where he is the Ranking Member of the Emerging Threats and Capabilities Subcommittee, and also serves on the Subcommittees on Seapower and Projection Forces and Tactical Air and Land Forces. As a supporter of the critical national security work done by Rhode Island’s defense industry, he has worked in committee to double production of the extraordinary Virginia Class Submarines built in Quonset, meeting military needs and creating hundreds of new jobs.

After fulfilling an eight-year term on the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, Langevin returned as a senior member of the House Committee on Homeland Security, where he serves as a member of the Subcommittees on Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Protection and Emergency Preparedness, Response and Communications.

As part of the Democratic Leadership team, Langevin serves as both a Democratic Regional Whip for New England and a member of House Minority Whip Steny Hoyer’s Senior Whip Team. In these roles, he is responsible for educating other Democratic members on key issues and helping to craft the party’s strategy and legislative agenda.

A voice for those facing serious challenges, Langevin championed passage of a bipartisan bill to expand services for families caring for their elderly and disabled loved ones and authored a breakthrough law to protect foster youth. He is a strong advocate for inclusion and independence for people with disabilities, and helped pass the ADA Amendments Act that strengthened the protections of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

In the 114th Congress (2015-16), Langevin prioritized rebuilding the economy through workforce development, strong skills training and a focus on growth sectors in Rhode Island including IT, cybersecurity, health care and the food economy. He is advocating investments in the middle class, a balanced approach to tax reform and a budget that reduces the deficit without enacting additional cuts to social safety net programs.



Date of Birth: **May 26, 1982**

Year Elected to Seat: **2019**

Education: **College of Charleston, Florida Atlantic University, Northern Kentucky University**

Committees Assignments:

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

Notes:

Representative Joe Cunningham (D-SC-1)

Joe Cunningham proudly represents South Carolina's First Congressional District. The First District encompasses South Carolina's Lowcountry, including Charleston, Mt. Pleasant, Kiawah, and Hilton Head. Joe is a proud father and husband and is serving his first term in the United States Congress.

Prior to his election to Congress, Joe was an attorney and an ocean engineer. In Congress, Joe's priorities include reinstating the ban on offshore drilling off the Atlantic coast, reducing the cost of healthcare, protecting and creating Lowcountry jobs, combating climate change and investing in renewable resources. As a former ocean engineer, Joe knows firsthand how destructive drilling for oil can be to a coastline and is committed to protecting South Carolina's coastline and economy from offshore drilling. Joe has spent his life working with others to get things done and is committed to breaking through the political tribalism facing Washington.

Joe attended the College of Charleston, obtained his B.S. in Ocean Engineering from Florida Atlantic University in 2005, and his J.D. from Northern Kentucky University in 2014. He currently lives in West Ashley with his wife, Amanda, their son, Boone, and their dog, Teddy.



Date of Birth: **July 31, 1947**

Year Elected to Seat: **2001**

Education: **Washington and Lee University,
University of South Carolina School of Law**

Committees Assignments:

- **Education and Labor**
- **Budget**

Representative Joe Wilson (R-SC-2)

Addison (Joe) Graves Wilson was born on July 31, 1947, in Charleston, South Carolina. After graduating from the High School of Charleston in 1962, he received his undergraduate degree from Washington & Lee University in Lexington, Virginia, and completed his law degree at the University of South Carolina. A real estate attorney by trade, Joe was a founding partner of the West Columbia law firm Kirkland, Wilson, Moore, Taylor & Thomas.

Throughout his life, Joe has had a tremendous passion to serve his country as a member of the United States Armed Forces. After serving in the United States Army Reserves from 1972-1975, he also served in the South Carolina Army National Guard. In the summer of 2003, Joe retired as a Colonel, having served as a Staff Judge Advocate assigned to the 218th Mechanized Infantry Brigade. At the time, he was the only active Guard member serving in Congress.

Before being elected to the United States Congress in 2001, Joe served 17 years, with perfect attendance, in the South Carolina State Senate where he was elected Chairman of the Senate Transportation Committee, the first Republican Chairman since Reconstruction.

Today, Joe serves as a member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee where he is the Ranking Member of the Middle East, North Africa, and International Terrorism Subcommittee, and a member of the Europe, Eurasia, Energy, and Environment Subcommittee. Additionally, Joe serves on the House Armed Services Committee where he is a member of the Subcommittees on Readiness and Strategic Forces. Since the 111th Congress, he has been appointed to the highly influential Republican Policy Committee. He also serves as Chair of the Bulgaria Caucus and the French Caucus, Co-Chair for the Slovak Caucus, and on the Afghanistan Caucus, the Kurdistan Caucus, and the Americans Abroad Caucus.

While serving the Second Congressional District of South Carolina, Joe is committed to promoting peace through a strong national defense, decreasing taxes for all Americans, and limiting the size and spending of the federal government.

Joe is married to Roxanne, who continues to offer him strength and support in his every endeavor. They are parents of four sons, all of whom have served in the U.S. military, and are proud grandparents of four boys and four girls. Alan, his oldest son, is a Lt. Colonel in the South Carolina Army National Guard who proudly served for a year in Iraq and was recently re-elected as the Attorney General for South Carolina; Addison is a graduate of the United States Naval Academy and a physician who recently returned from a tour of duty in Iraq; Julian was a Captain in the South Carolina Army National Guard who served on a peacekeeping tour in Egypt; and Hunter is a First Lieutenant in the South Carolina Army National Guard who recently returned from a tour of duty in Afghanistan. Their four sons are all Eagle Scouts.

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Date of Birth: **January 7, 1966**

Year Elected to Seat: **2011**

Education: **Clemson University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Energy and Commerce**

Representative Jeff Duncan (R-SC-3)

Jeff Duncan is a South Carolina native and a 1988 graduate of Clemson University. Prior to being elected to the U.S. House of Representatives, Congressman Duncan served as branch manager and an Assistant Vice President during his seven years of working in community banking. Later, he became the President and CEO of J. Duncan Associates, a South Carolina based, family owned real estate marketing firm which specialized in statewide real estate auctions.

During his tenure in the South Carolina House of Representatives, Jeff was known as one of the most conservative House Members, earning recognition as a "Taxpayer's Hero" from Governor Mark Sanford for his work combating wasteful government spending and fighting against tax increases. Jeff has also received the "Guardian of Small Business" award from the National Federation of Independent Businesses (NFIB); he had an A+ rating from the Club for Growth; he was awarded the Palmetto Leadership Award from the SC Policy Council during his Freshman term; "Legislator of the Year" recognition from both the SC Recreation and Parks Association and the SC Wildlife Federation. In 2010, Jeff Duncan was awarded The Order of the Palmetto, the highest civilian honor awarded by the Governor of South Carolina.

A member of both the Republican Study Committee and the House Freedom Caucus, Jeff took a strong stand on major fiscal issues in the 112th Congress. Dissatisfied with the level of spending cuts offered, he split from a majority of Republicans in his opposition of: the final fiscal 2011 spending deal; the final debt limit increase deal in August 2011; both versions of a bill to keep the government operating at the start of fiscal 2012; and the final FY 2012 Appropriations bill. A strong believer in the Constitution, Jeff fought against ambiguous language in the National Defense Authorization Act which he feels could put certain American liberties in peril.

Jeff also serves as the co-chairman of the Sovereignty Caucus along with Colorado Republican Doug Lamborn. The Caucus seeks to combat the influence of international organizations and multilateral agreements on United States policy. He urges greater scrutiny of foreign aid and has been an advocate for blocking economic assistance to governments that oppose the United States in the U.N. General Assembly.

In September 2011, Duncan became the only member of Congress with a 100 percent rating on the Heritage Action for America legislative scorecard "covering the full spectrum of conservatism." He finished the 112th Congress at the top of the House leader board.

Jeff has been married to his wife Melody for twenty-nine years and they have three sons: Graham, John Philip, and Parker. The Duncan family are members of First Baptist Church of Clinton, South Carolina.

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Date of Birth: **April 30, 1984**

Year Elected to Seat: **2019**

Education: **University of South Carolina**

Committees Assignments:

- **Education and Labor**
- **Budget**

Representative Wiliam Timmons (R-SC-4)

William Timmons entered Congress with a commitment to clean up Washington and fight for the conservative values of South Carolina’s 4th District.

His experience as a small business owner dealing with overbearing government regulations and exploding health care costs inspired him to run for public office. As a state senator, he worked to limit government and make it more accountable to taxpayers. Timmons plans to do the same in Washington.

During his four years as a prosecutor with South Carolina's 13th Circuit Solicitor’s office, William made serving victims of domestic violence a top priority and helped create a centralized court for domestic violence cases in Greenville County.

William is a lifelong and active member of Christ Church in Greenville. He studied law and International Studies at the University of South Carolina and serves as JAG Officer and First Lieutenant in the SC Army National Guard. He also holds degrees in International Affairs and Political Science from George Washington University.

William was chosen by his classmates to represent the House Republican Freshman Class on the Republican Steering Committee.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **June 20, 1953**

Year Elected to Seat: **2017**

Education: **Presbyterian College**

Committees Assignments:

- **Budget**
- **Science, Space, and Technology**
- **Oversight and Reform**

Notes:

Representative Ralph Norman (R-SC-5)

Ralph Norman is a lifelong resident of South Carolina's 5th district. He studied at Rock Hill public schools, graduating from Rock Hill High School in 1971. He attended Presbyterian College in Clinton, SC, and graduated in 1975 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business.

Ralph has established himself as one of South Carolina's leading businessmen. He joined his father's property and construction business right after college, and grew it into one of South Carolina's most successful commercial real estate developers.

Over the course of his career, Ralph has served with a number of organizations dedicated to improving the community. These organizations include the York County Home Builders Association, the Children's Attention Home, the Salvation Army, and the Medical University of South Carolina Board of Visitors.

He has consistently demonstrated his dedication to conservative principles. In his 10 years in the South Carolina House of Representatives, Ralph consistently voted in favor of limited government, financially sound policies, and a strong national defense.

Ralph has been married for 43 years to Elaine Rice Norman. Elaine also is a lifelong resident of South Carolina, growing up in Belton. Together, they have 4 children: Ralph Warren, Anne, Mary Catherine, and Caroline, and 16 grandchildren.



Date of Birth: **July 21, 1940**

Year Elected to Seat: **1993**

Education: **South Carolina State University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Majority Whip**

Representative James E. Clyburn (D-SC-6)

James E. (Jim) Clyburn is the Assistant Democratic Leader, the third-ranking Democrat, in the United States House of Representatives.

When Jim Clyburn came to Congress in 1993, he was elected co-president of his freshman class and quickly rose through leadership ranks. He was elected Chairman of the Congressional Black Caucus in 1998 and Vice Chair of the House Democratic Caucus in 2002. Three years later he was unanimously elected Chair of the House Democratic Caucus, and when Democrats regained the House majority in 2006, Congressman Clyburn was elevated by his colleagues to House Majority Whip.

As a national leader he has championed rural and economic development. Many of his initiatives have become law. His 10-20-30 federal funding formula was inserted into four sections of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. The formula directs 10 percent of appropriated funds to communities where 20 percent or more of the population have lived at or below the poverty level for the past 30 years. Clyburn's article on the program was published in the Harvard Journal on Legislation. This year, the Republican Speaker of the House has supported the formula's inclusion in several accounts of the House Appropriations bills.

In 2011, Jim received the Distinguished Service Award from the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association for his legislation that established the Rural Energy Savings Program. That program allows electric cooperatives to make low-interest loans to their members to retrofit and weatherize their homes. These loans are then repaid through their monthly utility bills.

Clyburn is a passionate supporter of historic preservation and restoration programs. His initiatives have restored scores of historic buildings and sites on the campuses of historically black colleges and universities. His legislation created the South Carolina National Heritage Corridor and the Gullah/Geechee Cultural Heritage Corridor. He authored legislation that elevated the Congaree National Monument to a National Park, and he proposed model legislation for President Obama's proclamation which established the Reconstruction Era National Monument in South Carolina's Low-Country.

Jim Clyburn began his professional career as a public school teacher in Charleston, South Carolina. Before being elected to Congress he directed two community development programs, served on the staff of a South Carolina Governor, and ran a state agency under four South Carolina Governors – two Democrats and two Republicans. His memoir, *Blessed Experiences: Genuinely Southern, Proudly Black*, was published by the University of South Carolina Press in 2015. It has been described as a primer that should be read by every student interested in pursuing a career in public service.

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Date of Birth: **August 4, 1957**

Year Elected to Seat: **2013**

Education: **University of South Carolina – School of Law**

- Committees Assignments:
- **Ways and Means**

Notes:

Representative Tom Rice (R-SC-7)

A resident of Horry County, South Carolina since the age of 4, Tom Rice has a deep-rooted connection to the Grand Strand and Pee Dee areas. Tom entered Congress with a commitment to make the United States as competitive as possible. From our country’s regulatory policies to tax rates, Tom has spent his time in Congress advocating for common-sense reforms to spur economic development and restore America’s competitive edge in the world.

Tom serves on the Ways and Means Committee where he uses his experience as an accountant and knowledge as a businessman to implement fiscally responsible policy that makes America competitive in the world. He serves on the Trade, Social Security, and Tax Policy Subcommittees.

Before being elected to Congress, Tom earned both his master’s degree in accounting and his juris doctor from the University of South Carolina. After completing his degrees, Tom worked for the accounting and consulting firm, Deloitte & Touche, in Charlotte and earned his CPA certificate. In 1985, Tom returned to his home town of Myrtle Beach to practice tax law with the Van Osdell Law Firm, and in 1997 he established his own practice, the Rice & MacDonald Law Firm, in Myrtle Beach.

Tom has been the recipient of numerous certificates and awards for his professional achievements. In 1994 he was awarded, and continues to hold, an AV (Preeminent) legal rating by Martindale Hubble. From 1994 until 2009, he was certified by the Supreme Court of South Carolina as a specialist in Tax Law, Estate Planning, and Probate Law, and has been included in Best Lawyers in America since 2006.

Tom has been fortunate to serve his community through many charitable and civic organizations including the Myrtle Beach Haven Homeless Shelter (President), Grand Strand Sertoma Club (Secretary, President), Ocean View Foundation (President), Trinity Episcopal Church (Vestry), YMCA, and York Place. He has had the opportunity to sit on several community advisory boards as well, including the Horry County Probate Court Advisory Committee and the Myrtle Beach Board of Zoning Variances (Chairman). He and his wife, Wrenzie, are the proud parents of three grown sons.



Date of Birth: **September 30, 1976**

Year Elected to Seat: **2018**

Education: **University of South Dakota,
University of Kansas**

Committees Assignments:

- **Education and Labor**
- **Agrictuture**

Notes:

Representative Dusty Johnson (R-SD-At Large)

I grew up in central South Dakota, splitting time between Fort Pierre and Pierre. Ours was a working class family, and with five kids total, times weren’t always easy. We struggled from the same problems and pitfalls many working class folks do, but I learned from those experiences.

I got my first job at 14 and opened my first business at age 16. After high school, I attended USD in Vermillion, where I met Jacquelyn, my wife. After graduate school in Kansas, we knew it was time to move home.

I helped run the Republican Office in Mitchell during the 2002 election. Shortly after, newly-elected Governor Mike Rounds asked me to join his policy staff in Pierre. Governor Rounds taught me a great deal, and when I asked him about running against an 18-year incumbent for a seat on the Public Utilities Commission, he gave me the best piece of advice I have ever received: “work hard and be yourself.”

With a lot of help from friends across the state, we won that PUC race. In my tenure, our state saw hundreds of megawatts of new electrical generation, more than 100 new cell towers, and assistance provided to thousands of consumers.

After winning re-election in 2010, I prepared to serve another six-year term on the Commission. Governor Dugaard had other plans, however. The week after the election, facing a \$127 million deficit, he asked me to serve as his chief of staff, overseeing much of state government.

I decided to answer the Governor’s call because it was important to serve citizens where I could do the most good.

After twelve years in state government, I wanted to return to the challenges of the private sector. Luckily, there was a good opportunity close to home. The leaders at Vantage Point Solutions, a 200-person strong telecommunications engineering and consulting firm based in Mitchell, wanted me to come on board.

It’s been a perfect match. As Vice President, I get to help 400 of our nation’s rural telecommunications companies make good decisions and deploy fiber, allowing them to bring broadband to their rural communities.



Date of Birth: **July 21, 1945**

Year Elected to Seat: **2009**

Education: **Austin Peay State University,
University of Tennessee College of
Medicine**

- Committees Assignments:
- **Education and Labor**
 - **Veterans’ Affairs**

Notes:

Representative Phil Roe (R-TN-1)

Phil Roe represents the First Congressional District of Tennessee. A resident of Johnson City serving his sixth term in Congress, Phil has a strong work ethic and is committed to working on behalf of the First District, Tennessee and our nation.

A native of Tennessee, Phil was born on July 21, 1945 in Clarksville. He earned a degree in Biology with a minor in Chemistry from Austin Peay State University in 1967 and went on and to earn his Medical Degree from the University of Tennessee in 1970. Upon graduation, he served two years in the United States Army Medical Corps.

Congressman Roe is Ranking Member of the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs and chaired the committee in the 115th Congress. Additionally, he serves on the House Education and Labor Committee. Previously, he was a member of the Joint Select Committee on Solvency of Multiemployer Pension Plans.

As a physician, Congressman Roe has become an active player in the effort to reform our nation’s health care system. He is the co-chair of the House GOP Doctors Caucus and a co-chair of the Congressional Academic Medicine Caucus. As the chair of the Republican Study Committee’s Health Care Task Force for the past three congresses, Dr. Roe has helped write a patient-centered, free-market alternative to the Affordable Care Act.

Prior to serving in Congress, Phil served as the Mayor of Johnson City from 2007 to 2009 and Vice Mayor from 2003 to 2007. He ran a successful medical practice in Johnson City for 31 years, delivering close to 5,000 babies. Phil has three children - David C. Roe, John Roe, and Whitney Larkin - and is a proud grandfather. He and his wife Clarinda live in Jonesborough, and he is a member of Munsey United Methodist Church.



Date of Birth: **August 25, 1964**

Year Elected to Seat: **2019**

Education: **University of Tennessee,
Bearden High School**

Committees Assignments:

- **Budget**
- **Foreign Affairs**
- **Small Business**

Notes:

Representative Tim Burchett (R-TN-2)

Congressman Tim Burchett took office in January 2019 after serving eight years as mayor of Knox County, Tennessee. During his administration, he cut debt, kept tax rates low and paid for a new elementary school without adding new debt. Prior to that, he started a successful small business before serving 16 years in the state legislature, four years in the State House followed by 12 years in the State Senate. Congressman Burchett's goals include supporting veterans, identifying free-market healthcare solutions and facilitating energy independence.



Date of Birth: **October 11, 1962**

Year Elected to Seat: **2011**

Education: **University of Illinois, University of Tennessee College of Law**

Committees Assignments:

- **Appropriations**

Notes:

Representative Chuck Fleischmann (R-TN-3)

Congressman Chuck Fleischmann is a conservative Republican who represents the 3rd District of Tennessee. The District is made-up of 11 counties: Anderson, Bradley, Campbell, Hamilton, McMinn, Monroe, Morgan, Polk, Roane, Scott and Union.

Chuck received his undergraduate degree in political science from the University of Illinois, where he earned both Phi Beta Kappa and Magna Cum Laude honors. He then went to the University of Tennessee law school where he received his Doctor of Jurisprudence.

For 24 years Chuck and his wife ran a small business together in Chattanooga after they both graduated from law school at the University of Tennessee.

Chuck has served on the board of the National Craniofacial Association and on the board of the Cherokee Area Council of Boy Scouts of America. He served as the president of the Chattanooga Bar Association and chairman of the Chattanooga Lawyers Pro Bono Committee.

During his years in Congress, Chuck has voted to repeal Obamacare, cut trillions from the federal budget and has a 100% pro-life and Second Amendment voting record.

Chuck and his wife, Brenda, live in Ooltewah, Tennessee. They have three sons: Charles, Jamie and Jeffrey.



Date of Birth: **February 21, 1964**

Year Elected to Seat: **2011**

Education: **University of South Dakota,
University of South Dakota School of
Medicine**

Committees Assignments:

- **Armed Services**
- **Agriculture**

Notes:

Representative Scott DesJarlais (R-TN-4)

Congressman DesJarlais was first elected to represent Tennessee's Fourth Congressional District in 2010 and is currently serving his fourth term in Congress.

In Washington, Congressman DesJarlais has built a reputation as a conservative leader. He is consistently rated as one of the most effective conservatives in Congress by groups like Heritage, the American Conservative Union and Americans for Prosperity. Additionally, Congressman DesJarlais has received a 100 percent rating from the National Right to Life for his pro-life voting record, an “A” rating from the National Rifle Association, and an “A” rating from Numbers USA, the leading organization seeking to combat illegal immigration.

Congressman DesJarlais has a proven track record of fighting for policies that that will return fiscal discipline to Washington, strengthen our nation’s economy, and end the flow of illegal immigration. While in Congress he has voted to balance the budget, repeal ObamaCare, and eliminate waste in the food stamp program.

Among the Congressman’s legislative accomplishments include successfully passing legislation giving the Department of Defense the authority to allow members of the military to carry firearms at recruiting stations. This legislation was introduced as a direct response to the Chattanooga terrorist attack that claimed the lives of four U.S. Marines and a sailor.

Congressman DesJarlais is also a member of the conservative House Freedom Caucus as well as the GOP Doctors Caucus.

Congressman DesJarlais earned degrees in Chemistry and Psychology from the University of South Dakota and went on to receive his Doctor of Medicine from the University of South Dakota School of Medicine.

Congressman DesJarlais and his wife Amy have three children: Tyler, Ryan and Maggie. The DesJarlais family are members of the Epiphany Episcopal Church in Sherwood, Tennessee, where Amy grew up.



Date of Birth: **June 19, 1954**

Year Elected to Seat: **1983-1995,
2005-Present**

Education: **University of North Carolina
Chapel Hill, Oxford University, Harvard
Law School**

Committees Assignments:

- **Armed Services**
- **Oversight and Government Reform**

Notes:

Representative Jim Cooper (D-TN-5)

Congressman Jim Cooper was born and raised in Tennessee. He and Martha, his wife of thirty-three years, live in Nashville and have three children.

A New York Times columnist called him "the House's conscience, a lonely voice for civility in this ugly era" and a "tart-tongued moderate" who "seeks bipartisanship on fiscal matters and other issues in a polarized political climate." USA Today named him one of the "Brave 38" of a "tiny band of heroes" in Congress for his work on a bipartisan budget plan.

In Congress, he's known for his work on the federal budget, health care and government reform. He's also a businessman, attorney and part-time Vanderbilt professor when Congress is not in session.



Date of Birth: **February 23, 1965**

Year Elected to Seat: **2019**

Education: **Vanderbilt University Law School, Tennessee Tech University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Financial Services**

Notes:

Representative John Rose (R-TN-6)

I am a lifelong Tennessean and a lifelong resident of Tennessee's 6th Congressional District. This is my home.

In fact, I am the eighth generation in my family to farm in Temperance Hall, a small community in DeKalb County. I was raised in Cookeville where my family and I live today. I graduated from Cookeville High School and went on to Tennessee Tech University for higher education. Since I was a kid, farming has been a passion of mine. It was a natural choice to study agriculture at Tech.

From there, I earned a Master's of Science Degree in Agricultural Economics from Purdue University. And lastly, I went on to Vanderbilt University where I earned a Law Degree. All of that education was so that I could fully equip myself for whatever career opportunity might allow me to fulfill my dream of owning and operating the family farm.

Today, I am living that dream alongside my wife Chelsea. We are actively involved in our community as volunteers with the Tennessee State Fair, Tennessee Tech University, Tennessee Future Farmers of America (FFA), and more. One of our favorite volunteer efforts is the Lancaster Independence Day Parade, which is held on our farm the Sunday before Independence Day. Investing in our community is important to us both.

I am a farmer and small business owner who is ready to be actively involved in pushing the conservative movement that inspired so many as President Trump sought office for the first time. Chelsea and I were two of the voters who elected President Trump and today, we are two of the many who are disappointed with a Congress that will not end the Obama era mistakes and get to work for a better America.

I am hopeful for the future and inspired that I can hand off a better America for the next generation like my parents did for me. In fact, Chelsea and I recently welcomed our first child into the world. For our child and for all those young people who will one day lead our nation, we must take bold action to solve our debt crisis, renew Christian values in society, protect our borders, and bolster our military.



Date of Birth: **November 8, 1964**

Year Elected to Seat: **2019**

Education: **United States Military Academy,
University of Southern California, Wright
State University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Homeland Security**
- **Oversight and Reform**

Notes:

Representative Mark Green (R-TN-7)

A successful business leader, decorated combat veteran, and ER physician, Green served in Tennessee State Senate before his election to Congress.

Throughout his life, first in the Army and then as a Tennessee State Senator, Mark’s love for our country’s founding principles has inspired his service. His life experiences make him ideally suited to serve Tennesseans of the 7th district. Congressman Green’s experience building a successful healthcare company equips him to take on wasteful spending and over regulation. His 24 years of service, between the Academy, active duty Army and Army Reserves -- including two trips to Iraq and one to Afghanistan -- have impressed upon him the need for strong American leadership internationally, a globally responsive military and a well-cared for military family.

As a physician, Green recognizes life begins at conception and firmly advocates for the unborn. He brings the unique perspective of doctor, healthcare administrator and cancer survivor to the issues surrounding healthcare in America. His legislative experience in Tennessee readies him to fight for all our rights and liberties, including religious liberty and the right to bear arms.

The son of a hardworking father and loving mother, Green grew up on a dirt road in Mississippi. Mark came to Tennessee in his last assignment in the Army as the flight surgeon for the premier special operations aviation regiment. As a Night Stalker, Dr. Green deployed to both Iraq and Afghanistan in the War on Terror. His most memorable mission was the capture of Saddam Hussein. During the mission, he interrogated Hussein for six hours. The encounter is detailed in a book Green authored, A Night With Saddam. Congressman Green was awarded the Bronze Star, the Air Medal with V Device for Valor, among many others.

After his service in the Army, Green founded an emergency department staffing company that grew to over \$200 million in annual revenue. The company provided staffing to 52 hospitals across 11 states. He also founded two free medical clinics that provide healthcare to under-served populations in Memphis and Clarksville as well as numerous medical mission trips throughout the world.

Green was elected to the Tennessee State Senate in 2012, where he distinguished himself as a conservative leader that fought for freedom and smaller government for all Tennesseans. His many legislative accomplishments include the repeal of the Hall Income Tax, only the second time in U.S. history a state repealed an income tax, and the passage of the Tennessee Teacher Bill of Rights. He won the National Federation of Independent Businesses’ Guardian of Small Business award, Latinos for Tennessee’s Legislator of the Year among many other numerous awards.



Date of Birth: **October 8, 1966**

Year Elected to Seat: **2017**

Education: **Memphis State University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Financial Services**

Notes:

Representative David Kustoff (R-TN-8)

David Kustoff’s roots run deep in West Tennessee. He was born and raised in Shelby County where he attended White Station High School. He received his undergraduate degree from the University of Memphis and graduated in 1992 from the University of Memphis Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law.

Over the years, David has served in various roles for the Republican Party, such as Chairman of the Shelby County GOP from 1995 to 1999, Tennessee Chairman of Lamar Alexander’s successful run for U.S. Senate in 2002 and Tennessee Chairman of both Bush/Cheney presidential campaigns in 2000 and 2004.

Appointed U.S. Attorney for the Western District of Tennessee by President Bush in 2006, Kustoff set his sights on cleaning up government corruption and fighting violent crime and drugs. He oversaw the majority of the Tennessee Waltz trials that sent 12 defendants, including Senator John Ford, to federal prison.

In 2010, David joined the board of BankTennessee, where he put his leadership skills to work, advising the direction of the Community Bank that has served West Tennessee for more than 80 years.

Governor Bill Haslam appointed David to the Tennessee Higher Education Commission in 2015, where he oversaw the implementation of the Tennessee Promise program that provides last dollar Community College scholarships and Tennessee Reconnect, designed to help adults complete their college degrees.

In 2016, David was elected to the House of Representatives for the 8th District of Tennessee. He is a member of the House Financial Services Committee and serves on three subcommittees: Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, Oversight and Investigation and Terrorism and Illicit Finance.

Working with his colleagues on the Financial Services Committee, he will fight mandates and regulations that are crushing small businesses and will stand up against wasteful government spending.

He will continue to fight for the conservative principles that have defined his career; he stands ready to challenge the way things are done in Washington.

David and his wife, Roberta, live in Germantown and have two children.



Date of Birth: **May 24, 1949**

Year Elected to Seat: **2007**

Education: **Vanderbilt University,
University of Memphis (Humphreys)
School of Law**

Committees Assignments:

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

Notes:

Representative Steve Cohen (D-TN-9)

Congressman Steve Cohen is a fourth-generation Memphian who has dedicated his life to public service. As a child, the challenges of living with polio taught him how to overcome obstacles through persistence and determination, values which would shape his career as a legislator. Filing to run for office on the same day he first registered to vote, Congressman Cohen stepped onto the path that has defined his life and affected the lives of people in Memphis, across Tennessee and now across America throughout his career in national, state and local politics.

During his term as a Shelby County Commissioner, Congressman Cohen cast the deciding vote for the creation of The MED which today, as Regional One Health, has one of the finest trauma care and burn center units in the Mid-South. This would be the first in a long line of votes during his career that would define his legislative philosophy: fighting to ensure the basic human rights of every American, such as access to health care.

Upon election to the U.S. House of Representatives in 2006, Congressman Cohen immediately distinguished himself on the Hill for his thoughtful legislation and quick wit. He also quickly earned a reputation as a champion of civil rights and justice on the highly influential Judiciary Committee, with then-Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi referring to him as the “conscience of the freshman class” in 2008. That same year, he was instrumental in passing the first-of-its-kind House resolution apologizing for the enslavement and racial segregation of African Americans.

During his 24 years in the Tennessee State Senate, Congressman Cohen amassed a strong record of passionate, honest and unselfish service. He consistently spurned special interests to stand up for the people’s interests. In 1984, he drafted and passed a resolution creating one of the first state Holocaust Commissions in America to educate others about and to commemorate the Holocaust. On issues ranging from civil rights to funding for the arts to women's rights to animal welfare, Congressman Cohen was a relentless advocate in the Tennessee State Senate even in the face of overwhelming opposition. Before he was elected to Congress, he became known throughout the state as the “Father of the Tennessee Lottery,” after leading the referendum effort that instituted arguably the most successful education initiative in Tennessee history.

Congressman Cohen has also dedicated himself to providing outstanding constituent service to the citizens of Memphis. The doors of his District Office in the Clifford Davis/Odell Horton Federal Building are always open for constituents, and Congressman Cohen held more than a dozen town halls around the city which often included visiting leaders such as Judiciary Committee Ranking Member John Conyers (MI-14) and singer/activist Harry Belafonte. He has never faltered in fighting for those who do not have the power bestowed by wealth and advantage, and his goal is as it has always been: to ensure that everyone – regardless of race, class or creed – has the opportunity to achieve their American dream.



Date of Birth: **August 18, 1953**

Year Elected to Seat: **2005**

Education: **Texas A&M University, Baylor University School of Law**

Committees Assignments:

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

Notes:

Representative Louie Gohmert (R-TX-1)

Serving his seventh term in the United States House of Representatives, Congressman Louie Gohmert was first sworn in on January 4, 2005. He proudly represents the First District of Texas which encompasses more than 12 counties stretching nearly 120 miles down the state's eastern border with Louisiana.

He has not only been sought as a key note speaker all over the U.S., but has been and invited speaker at Oxford and Cambridge Universities in England, as well as other countries. After the Obama administration condemned the largest peaceful demonstration in the history of the world in Egypt in June of 2013 which resulted in the ouster of Pres.Morsi who was maneuvering toward a dictatorship, some American leaders demanded the Muslim Brotherhood dictator be put back in office where he had seized so much power, but Louie became the first and most public elected US official to commend the Egyptians and making him an Egyptian populist hero, earning an award from the Chamber of Commerce in Cairo.

He is a staunch advocate for the U.S. being the best friend Israel could have in the world as an acknowledged friend of Prime Minister Netanyahu.

He is a tireless advocate on the House Floor, all over east Texas and the nation, as well as in the national and international media on many critical issues. These include not only the necessity to fight terrorism from its most prominent source, radical Islam, but also promoting the preservation of U.S. Constitutional authority, freedoms of religion and speech, state’s rights, 2nd amendment rights, and all those rights most of us hold dearest.

Congressman Gohmert is a bold defender of America's founding principles and is constantly coming up with big, innovative ideas solidly based on conservative principles and the ideals that has served as this nation's bedrock since birth.

Louie serves on numerous House committees and subcommittees in the House of Representatives. Specifically, Congressman Gohmert is honored to serve as the Vice Chairman of the House Natural Resources Committee. Texas has a rich supply of natural resources; and, the First District of Texas' economy largely relies on the natural resource based industries of oil, gas, coal, timber, water, as well as some of the best healthcare in the world.

Prior to being elected to serve in Congress, Louie was elected to three terms as District Judge in Smith County, Texas. During his tenure on the bench, he gained national and international attention for some of his innovative rulings. He was later appointed by Texas Governor Rick Perry to complete a term as the Chief Justice of the 12th Court of Appeals.



Date of Birth: **March 14, 1984**

Year Elected to Seat: **2019**

Education: **Tufts University, Harvard University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Homeland Security**
- **Budget**

Notes:

Representative Dan Crenshaw (R-TX-2)

Originally from Houston, Texas, Rep. Dan Crenshaw is a proud 6th generation Texan. His father’s career in the Texas oil and gas industry moved his family all over the world, including Ecuador and Colombia. As a result, Dan is fluent in Spanish. From an early age, Dan knew that he wanted to serve his country with the most elite fighting force in history: the U.S. Navy SEALs. He graduated from Tufts University in 2006, where he earned his Naval officer commission through Navy ROTC. Following graduation, he immediately reported to SEAL training in Coronado, CA, where he met his future wife, Tara. After graduating SEAL training, Dan deployed to Fallujah, Iraq to join SEAL Team Three, his first of five deployments overseas.

On Dan’s third deployment in 2012, his life changed forever. After six months of combat operations, he was hit by an IED blast during a mission in Helmand province, Afghanistan. He was evacuated and awoke from his medically induced coma learning that his right eye had been destroyed in the blast and his left eye was badly damaged. Dan was completely blind and the doctors did not believe he would ever see again. Tara stood by him every day and night, keeping faith and praying he would see again. After several difficult surgeries and months of fighting a tough diagnosis, Dan eventually regained sight in his left eye, a miracle according to the head surgeon. Dan refused to quit and went on to deploy twice more, first back to the Middle East in 2014 and then South Korea in 2016.

Dan was medically retired in September of 2016 as a Lieutenant Commander after serving ten years in the SEAL Teams. He left service with two Bronze Stars (one with Valor), the Purple Heart, and the Navy Commendation Medal with Valor, among many other accolades. Soon after, Dan completed his Master’s in Public Administration at the Harvard Kennedy School of Government. Shortly after Dan returned to Houston, his community was hit by Hurricane Harvey. The storm brought devastation the region had never seen before. He spent his time volunteering in areas of Katy, helping his neighbors recover from the damage. He saw first-hand the unthinkable losses that Texas suffered, but he also saw Texan grit and resilience. This inspired him to do more for his community. Shortly after, Dan and Tara decided that the best way to serve the people of Texas would be in elected office.

In November 2018, Dan was elected to represent the people of Texas’s Second Congressional District. He believes in service before self and understands that there is no higher calling than service to the American people. Although he can no longer fight on the battlefield, the integrity, leadership, vision, and tenacity he learned in the SEAL teams is present every day in his fight for common sense solutions in Congress.



Date of Birth: **August 1, 1972**

Year Elected to Seat: **2019**

Education: **Harvard University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Homeland Security**
- **Education and Labor**

Notes:

Representative Van Taylor (R-TX-3)

A seventh generation Texan, Van Taylor is a family man, businessman, and decorated Iraq War Veteran. Growing up, Van earned his Eagle Scout from the future President George Bush.

After high school, Van attended Harvard College from which he obtained a Bachelor of Arts in history. After graduating college, Van volunteered to serve his county and received a commission in the United States Marine Corps.

He attended The Basic School, Infantry Officer Course, and graduated first in his class from Sniper Employment Officer Course. He completed Intelligence School as the Marine Honor Graduate and commanded First Marine Regiment's Reconnaissance Platoon in Camp Pendleton, CA. After completing that assignment, he served as an intelligence officer for an artillery battalion. Van earned the Navy Achievement Medal for devising a quantitative combat power analysis system.

Van Taylor joined the Marine Corps Reserves to continue serving his country while earning his MBA at Harvard Business School. He served in Fourth Civil Affairs Group, graduating from the John F. Kennedy School of Special Warfare at Ft. Bragg, NC. He joined 4th Reconnaissance Battalion as a platoon commander for Charlie Company.

On September 11, 2001, Van was serving his final day at the 4th Civil Affairs Group at the Anacostia Naval Annex. He was supposed to have lunch at the Pentagon that day, but instead watched smoke rise from across the Potomac River as the Pentagon burned from the 9-11 terrorist attack.

Two years after September 11, Van deployed to Iraq where he fought with 2nd Force Reconnaissance Company. While deployed, Van led the first platoon into Iraq for his brigade and a mission that rescued 31 wounded Marines during the pitched Battle of An Nasiriyah. For his service in Iraq, the Marine Corps awarded Captain Taylor the Combat Action Ribbon, Presidential Unit Citation, and the Navy Commendation Medal with "V" for valor.

Van and his wife, Anne, married after his return from Iraq and are the proud parents of three young girls: Laura, Helen, and Susie.

From April 2010 to January 2015, Van Taylor represented District 66 in the Texas House of Representatives. From January 13, 2015 – January 3, 2019, Taylor served as a Member of the Texas Senate, representing the Eighth Senate District of Texas. On January 3, 2019, Van Taylor was sworn in as a Member of the United States Congress, representing Texas Third Congressional District.



Date of Birth: **October 20, 1965**

Year Elected to Seat: **2015**

Education: **Notre Dame University,
Southern Methodist University – School of
Law**

Committees Assignments:

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

Notes:

Representative John Ratcliffe (R-TX-4)

Rep. John Ratcliffe (R-Texas) has a proven record of conservative success throughout his extensive career in public service.

As the Mayor of Heath Texas, Ratcliffe balanced the budget for eight consecutive years without ever raising taxes.

As a U.S. Attorney and federal terrorism prosecutor, Ratcliffe put terrorists in prison, arrested 300 illegal aliens in a single day, and cracked down on drug trafficking and public corruption.

As a Member of the U.S. House of Representatives, Ratcliffe serves on the Homeland Security, Judiciary and Intelligence Committees where he’s strategically positioned to defend the Constitution and keep America safe through legislative action.

As a champion of limited government, Ratcliffe has championed key conservative legislation while stepping up as a vocal leader in support of critical initiatives in Congress.



Date of Birth: **December 1, 1982**

Year Elected to Seat: **2019**

Education: **University of Texas at Austin**

Committees Assignments:

- **Financial Services**

Notes:

Representative Lance Gooden (R-TX-5)

Lance Carter Gooden is the U.S. Representative for Texas's 5th congressional district, having won the general election held on November 6, 2018. Gooden previously served in the Texas House of Representatives for District 4 (Henderson and Kaufman counties). He served two terms in the state House from 2011 to 2015 before he lost his re-election bid in the 2014 Republican primary election. He was returned to office in 2016 for this third nonconsecutive term in the legislature..

Rep. Gooden has deep roots in our district. He grew up in Terrell, was raised by parents who were life-long public school educators, and graduated from Terrell High School. After earning degrees from the University of Texas in Finance and Government, he went to work as an insurance broker for energy and energy-related companies, negotiating on their behalf in the insurance marketplace and helping to protect them from lawsuits and other business risks.

Lance and Alexa were married in Shreveport, Alexa's hometown, in 2016. They're proud to call Terrell home and worship at the Rockwall & Brin Church of Christ in Terrell. They welcomed their first child, a baby boy, in February 2018.



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

Year Elected to Seat: **2013**

Education: **The University of Texas at Arlington**

Committees Assignments:

- **Foreign Affairs**
- **Education and Labor**

Notes:

Representative Ron Wright (R-TX-6)

Ron Wright is a sixth-generation resident of Tarrant County. After graduating from Azle High School in 1971, he moved to Arlington to attend UTA. He has been active in political affairs and community service work for more than 30 years.

Ron served at-large on the Arlington City Council from 2000 to 2008, including the last four years as Mayor Pro Tempore. He was the District Director for U.S. Congressman Joe Barton from 2000 to 2009 and was the congressman's Chief of Staff from January 2009 to May 2011. In May, Ron left Washington to accept appointment by Commissioners Court to replace Betsy Price as the Tax Assessor-Collector of Tarrant County. He was elected to a full term by the voters of Tarrant County in November 2012, and re-elected to a four-year term in November 2016.

Ron has been active in both partisan and nonpartisan politics for many years and is a passionate public servant. He has served on a number of boards and commissions, including as president of the Arlington Night Shelter, Chairman of the Tarrant County Historical Commission, the Arlington Housing Authority Board of Commissioners, the Mansfield Education Foundation board, the Executive Committee of Arlington Human Service Planners, the Arlington Historical Society board, the Arlington Sports Authority, and as founding president of the Arlington Tomorrow Foundation. From 1995 to 2000 he was a weekly columnist for the Star-Telegram newspaper.

Ron has received numerous awards recognizing his civic leadership, including Volunteer of the Year, Man of the Year for Community Service, Hero of the Homeless award, Friend of Education commendation, the Partnership Award of the Fort Worth Builders Association, and a special award from the Arlington Historical Society.

Ron and his wife, Susan, have three children and nine grandchildren. They live in Arlington with their two labs, Belle and Bea.



Date of Birth: **February 13, 1975**

Year Elected to Seat: **2019**

Education: **William and Mary Law School,
Kenyon College**

Committees Assignments:

- **Transportation and Infrastructure**
- **Science, Space, and Technology**

Notes:

Representative Lizzie Pannill Fletcher (D-TX-7)

Lizzie Fletcher represents Texas’ Seventh Congressional District, in the greater Houston area. Located entirely within Harris County, the district includes residents of Houston, Bellaire, Bunker Hill Village, Hedwig Village, Hilshire Village, Hunters Creek Village, Jersey Village, Piney Point Village, Southside Place, Spring Valley Village, West University Place, and unincorporated Harris County west to Katy.

A resident of Houston and Congressional District 7 nearly all of her life, Congresswoman Fletcher was elected to represent the district in 2018. Prior to her election, she represented Houstonians in the courtroom as a lawyer on a wide range of matters, first at an international law firm headquartered in Houston and later at a boutique litigation firm, where she became its first woman partner.

Congresswoman Fletcher graduated from Kenyon College in Ohio in 1997, where she earned highest honors in History and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. After college, she worked in the business and non-profit sectors for six years before attending William & Mary Law School in Virginia. At William & Mary, she was the editor-in-chief of the William and Mary Law Review and received the Gambrell Professionalism Award when she graduated in 2006.

In the 116th Congress, Congresswoman Fletcher serves on House Committee on Transportation & Infrastructure and House Science, Space, and Technology Committee.



Date of Birth: **April 11, 1955**

Year Elected to Seat: **1997**

Education: **University of South Dakota**

Committees Assignments:

- **Ways and Means (Ranking Member)**

Representative Kevin Brady (R-TX-8)

Kevin is Ranking Member of the House Ways and Means Committee - - considered by many to be the most powerful committee in Congress with jurisdiction over taxes, health care, Social Security, Medicare, international trade and welfare.

While serving as Chairman, Kevin authored and helped pass the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, which reformed the U.S. Tax Code for the first time in more than 30 years, leading to millions of jobs being created, record revenue to the U.S. Treasury, the lowest unemployment rate in almost 50 years and the highest wage growth in a decade.

A champion of free enterprise and American-made energy, Kevin’s focus is creating jobs, reducing Washington spending and sunseting obsolete federal agencies.

Kevin previously served as chairman of the influential Health Subcommittee for the House Ways and Means Committee. As chairman, he focused on ensuring a strong, free market in the nation's health care industry and look for ways to increase the quality of health care, while keeping costs low.

And as the former Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Joint Economic Committee, Kevin is a GOP leader.

Until 2013, Kevin was the leader of the Trade Subcommittee and led the successful effort to pass new sales agreements with Panama, South Korea and Colombia – and he served as the White House point man on the successful passage of the Central American Free Trade Agreement. On the Social Security Subcommittee, Kevin fought to preserve this important program for future generations once and for all.

Prior to his election to Congress, Kevin worked as a chamber of commerce executive for 18 years and served six years in the Texas House of Representatives where he was named one of the Ten Best Legislators for Families & Children. In 1994 he was named one of Five Outstanding Young Texans.

In order to stay close to the people he represents, Kevin never moved to Washington. He lives in Montgomery County with his wife Cathy and his two sons Will (18) and Sean (15) – and has logged nearly two million miles commuting to Congress each week.

Kevin is an original Hometown Hero of The Woodlands, a Paul Harris Fellow in Rotary and a Distinguished Alumni of the University of South Dakota. He and his family attend Saints Simon and Jude Catholic Church.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **September 1, 1947**

Year Elected to Seat: **2005**

Education: **Florida A&M University,
Tuskegee University, Texas Southern
University School of Law**

Committees Assignments:

- **Financial Services**
- **Homeland Security**

Notes:

Representative Al Green (D-TX-9)

On January 3, 2017, U.S. Congressman Al Green took the oath of office to serve the people of Texas' 9th Congressional District and began his seventh term in the United States House of Representatives. As a veteran civil rights advocate, he has fought for those in society whose voices, too often, are not heard.

Born in New Orleans, Louisiana, Congressman Al Green's family taught him the importance of positive preparation through education and righteous resistance to overcome persistent injustice. He attended Florida A&M University, Howard University, and the Tuskegee Institute. Before receiving an undergraduate degree, he enrolled in the Thurgood Marshall School of Law, where he earned his Juris Doctor degree in 1973. As a law student, he earned awards in the areas of Federal Procedure and Conflicts.

After graduating from law school, Congressman Al Green co-founded and co-managed the law firm of Green, Wilson, Dewberry, and Fitch. In 1977, he was appointed Justice of the Peace in Harris County, Texas, where he served for 26 years before retiring in 2004. Throughout his career, Congressman Al Green has enjoyed the respect of his colleagues as well as a wide cross-section of community leaders, who have praised his legal skills, impeccable character, and ability to work with people of diverse backgrounds.

For approximately ten years, Congressman Al Green served as president of the Houston Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP). Under his leadership, the organization grew to unprecedented heights, increasing membership from a few hundred to many thousands, and the staff from one to more than ten.

As a testament to his exceptional service to the community, and in recognition of his outstanding professional achievement as well as his superior leadership ability, Congressman Al Green has received numerous awards. These awards outstanding include: Texas Association of REALTORS Legacy Award, 2011; Texas Black Democrats' Profiles of Courage Award, 2007; the AFL-CIO MLK Drum Major Award for Service, 2007; Ebony Magazine's 100 Most Influential Black People, 2006; and the NAACP Mickey Leland Humanitarian Award, from the Houston branch as well as the Fort Bend branch of the NAACP. Congressman Green has also been honored by the city of Houston with a day named in his honor--"Al Green Day." As evidence of how truly blessed Congressman Al Green believes he is, when asked, "How are you?" He often responds, "Better than I deserve."



Date of Birth: **January 14, 1962**

Year Elected to Seat: **2005**

Education: **Trinity University, St. Mary's University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Homeland Security**
- **Foreign Affairs (Ranking Member)**

Notes:

Chairman Michael McCaul (R-TX-10)

Congressman Michael T. McCaul is currently serving his eighth term representing Texas' 10th District in the United States Congress. The 10th Congressional District of Texas stretches from the city of Austin to the Houston suburbs and includes Austin, Bastrop, Colorado, Fayette, Harris, Lee, Travis, Washington and Waller Counties.

At the start of the 116th Congress, Congressman McCaul became the Republican Leader of the Foreign Affairs Committee. This committee considers legislation that impacts the diplomatic community, which includes the Department of State, the Agency for International Development (USAID), the Peace Corps, the United Nations, and the enforcement of the Arms Export Control Act.

In his capacity as the committee’s Republican Leader, McCaul is committed to ensuring we promote America’s leadership on the global stage. In his view, it is essential the United States bolsters international engagement with our allies, counters the aggressive policies of our adversaries, and advances the common interests of nations in defense of stability and democracy around the globe. He will continue to use his national security expertise to work to counter threats facing the United States, especially the increasing threat we face from nation state actors such as China, Iran, Russia, North Korea, among others.

With many NASA employees, universities, and high tech companies in the 10th District, Congressman McCaul's leadership as co-founder and co-chair of the Congressional High Tech Caucus and the Cybersecurity Caucus provides him the ability to enhance Texas' role as a global leader in technology.

Prior to Congress, Michael McCaul served as Chief of Counter Terrorism and National Security in the U.S. Attorney’s office, Western District of Texas, and led the Joint Terrorism Task Force charged with detecting, deterring, and preventing terrorist activity. McCaul also served as Texas Deputy Attorney General under current U.S. Senator John Cornyn, and served as a federal prosecutor in the Department of Justice’s Public Integrity Section in Washington, DC.

A fourth generation Texan, Congressman McCaul earned a B.A. in Business and History from Trinity University and holds a J.D. from St. Mary's University School of Law. In 2009 Congressman McCaul was honored with St. Mary's Distinguished Graduate award. He is also a graduate of the Senior Executive Fellows Program of the School of Government, Harvard University. Congressman McCaul is married to his wife, Linda. They are proud parents of five children: Caroline, Jewell, and the triplets Lauren, Michael, and Avery.



Date of Birth: **June 11, 1948**

Year Elected to Seat: **2005**

Education: **Texas A&M University-Commerce**

Committees Assignments:

- **Agriculture (Ranking Member)**
- **Armed Services**
- **Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence**

Notes:

Representative Mike Conaway (R-TX-11)

Serving his eighth term in the U.S. House of Representatives, Congressman Mike Conaway represents 29 counties in Texas' 11th congressional district, including the cities of Midland, Odessa and San Angelo.

A conservative Republican, Rep. Conaway believes in the principles of lower taxes, smaller government and a secure nation. His background as a CPA gives him a unique perspective on fiscal responsibility and ensuring every taxpayer dollar is being spent wisely.

In the House, Congressman Conaway is the Ranking Member of the House Committee on Agriculture and also serves on the House Armed Services Committee and the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence.

He is a deputy Republican whip, a position he has held since the 112th Congress.

A native Texan, he grew up in Odessa and graduated from Odessa Permian High School in 1966 after playing on Permian's first state championship football team. He earned a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in accounting from Texas A & M University-Commerce in 1970.

After serving in the Army at Fort Hood, he returned to the Permian Basin with Price Waterhouse and settled in Midland, later working with George W. Bush as the chief financial officer for Bush Exploration. He developed a lasting friendship with President Bush as they learned together what it takes to run a business.

An ordained deacon in the Baptist church, Congressman Conaway and his wife, Suzanne, live in Midland and have four children and seven grandchildren.



Date of Birth: **January 18, 1943**

Year Elected to Seat: **1997**

Education: **Texas Wesleyan University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Appropriations (Ranking Member)**

Representative Kay Granger (R-TX-12)

A leader in national defense and global security, Kay Granger serves and fights for the 12th congressional district of Texas. Elected to her 12th term in 2018 by an overwhelming margin, Kay has earned her reputation in Congress as a hard-working, tough and principled leader on the issues that matter most to the people she serves. Her legislative prowess and ability to get things done, widely respected by both policymakers and influencers in Washington alike, led to her recognition by CQ's Roll Call as one of the 25 Most Influential Women in Congress.

The first and only Republican woman to represent Texas in the U.S. House of Representatives, Granger was chosen by her colleagues to serve as Ranking Member of the powerful House Appropriations Committee in the 116th Congress. As the top Republican on the Committee, she is responsible for advocating for Republican Members and working with House leadership, the Senate and the White House to ensure the priorities of the American people are funded.

Before becoming Ranking Member, Granger served as Chairwoman of the powerful Defense Appropriations Subcommittee, which handles over 50 percent of all Appropriations Committee funding. As Chairwoman, Kay was committed to rebuilding America's military and taking care of our service members and their families, making it her top priority to address the readiness crisis in our military and reverse the harmful, arbitrary budget cuts to our nation's defense. In these dangerous times, Kay understands that for our country to be safe, we must be strong.

Granger has received numerous honors for her leadership on national defense issues. Most recently, she accepted the 2016 Henry M. Scoop Jackson Distinguished Service Award presented by the Jewish Institute for National Security Affairs for her unwavering commitment throughout her career for a robust military capability for the U.S. and its allies. Granger was also awarded the Navy Distinguished Public Service Award and the Department of the Army's Decoration for Distinguished Civilian Service. These honors are the top recognition given to civilians by the secretary of the Navy and secretary of the Army.

Kay – a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution – returns home to the district every weekend to meet with constituents in person and talk with them about what is going on in Washington. Kay attends the First United Methodist Church of Fort Worth and is the mother of three children and grandmother of five. She is an avid and accomplished painter and enjoys being with her family during spare time.

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Date of Birth: **July 15, 1958**

Year Elected to Seat: **1995**

Education: **Texas Tech University,
University of Texas School of Law**

- Committees Assignments:
- **Armed Services (Ranking Member)**

Chairman Mac Thornberry (R-TX-13)

Mac Thornberry is currently the Ranking Member (top Republican) of the House Armed Services Committee. The Armed Services Committee has the responsibility to oversee the Pentagon, all military services, and all Department of Defense agencies, including their budgets and policies.

Mac believes that defending our country is the first function of the federal government. In a time of unprecedented security challenges, he is committed to ensuring that the United States has the military capability and agility to protect the nation and our interests around the world. He believes that the men and women who serve deserve to have the best training, equipment, and support that our country can provide.

A fifth-generation Texan, Mac has strong ties to the people he serves and to the district he represents. Mac is a lifelong resident of the 13th District of Texas. His family has been ranching in the district since 1881 - a family business in which Mac continues to participate.

Mac shares the values of the people he represents and continues to fight for the things that are important to them. He is a longtime advocate of lower taxes and limited government. Boosting domestic energy production, protecting private property rights, supporting international trade, and upholding Second Amendment rights are top priorities for Mac. He strongly supports policies of fiscal responsibility and economic growth. Additionally, as one of the few Members of Congress personally involved in agriculture, Mac understands the challenges agricultural producers face and has been a key player in efforts to support producers in the 13th District.

In addition to being a member of the Armed Services Committee throughout his time in Congress, Mac also previously served on the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, as well as on the Budget Committee, Resources Committee, the Select Committee on Homeland Security, and the Joint Economic Committee. He also chaired the Task Force on Cybersecurity in 2011 and 2012.

Born in Clarendon and raised on the family ranch in Donley County, Mac graduated from Clarendon High School before continuing his education at Texas Tech University. After obtaining a B.A. in history from Tech in 1980, he went on to the University of Texas Law School where he graduated in 1983. For the next several years, he worked in Washington on Capitol Hill, and as Deputy Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs in the State Department under President Reagan. In 1989, Mac joined his brothers in the cattle business and practiced law in Amarillo. He was first elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in 1994.

Mac's wife, Sally, is also a native Texan. They have two children.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **July 2, 1953**

Year Elected to Seat: **2013**

Education: **University of Houston– Clear Lake**

Committees Assignments:

- **Transportation and Infrastructure**
- **Science, Space and Technology**

Notes:

Representative Randy Weber (R-TX-14)

Congressman Randy Weber is a public servant, proven conservative, successful small business owner and third generation Texan representing the 14th District of Texas. Weber currently holds a key leadership role on the Science, Space, and Technology (SST) committee, serving as the Ranking Member of the Energy Subcommittee. He is also a newly-appointed member of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, where he serves on the following Subcommittees: Water Resources and Environment, Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, as well as Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials.

For over 60 years, Randy Weber has called the Gulf Coast home - a place to start a family and build a business. Although juggling work and family takes great amounts of time and effort, Weber makes time to be an active member of his church and community. Weber built his air conditioning company, Weber’s Air & Heat, in 1981 from scratch, and grew his business by using, what his grandfather used to call, ‘good old-fashion Texas horse sense and a strong work ethic.’ Like others who have successfully moved from business to public service, it is Weber’s real-world experience in the private sector that underpins his commitment to lower taxes, his contempt for wasteful spending, and his firm dedication to better schools.

Prior to being elected to Congress, Weber served four years in the Texas State House. During his tenure, Weber served on the committees of Environmental Regulation, Public Education, and as Vice Chair of Border and Intergovernmental Affairs. While serving in the Texas House, Randy Weber authored landmark legislation to combat human trafficking and protect women, young girls, and boys - some as young as 12 years old. On the House Foreign Affairs committee, Weber continued the fight against human trafficking, as well as, co-sponsored legislation to strengthen our foreign policies and relationship with our allies across the globe.

As Ranking Member of the Energy Subcommittee, Weber’s top priority is to fight for sane energy policies that will not stifle our economy, but create jobs and promote our business community. As the Congressional member with the largest maritime district in the country, Weber is particularly excited about tackling key legislation like the Water Resource Development Reauthorization Act, the Coast Guard Reauthorization Act, and the FEMA Reauthorization Act.

Weber has lived in a 20-mile radius for all his life and has been married to Brenda Weber, a retired schoolteacher, for over 40 years. He is a graduate of Alvin Community College, and holds a Bachelor of Science from the University of Houston at Clear Lake. Randy and Brenda have three children and eight wonderful grandchildren. He previously served on the House Foreign Affairs Committee.



Date of Birth: **September 4, 1967**

Year Elected to Seat: **2017**

Education: **Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Texas Wesleyan University**

Committees Assignments:

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

Notes:

Representative Vicente Gonzalez (D-TX-15)

Vicente Gonzalez serves in the United States Congress as the elected representative of the 15th District of Texas which encompasses the growing suburban counties of Brooks, Duval, Jim Hogg, Karnes, and Live Oak as well as portions of Guadalupe, Hidalgo, and Wilson counties. Congressman Vicente Gonzalez came to Washington to continue fighting for South Texans and ensure that individuals and communities have the resources and opportunities they need to succeed.

Congressman Gonzalez earned his GED in 1985 before attending Del Mar College where he received an Associate’s degree in Banking and Finance in 1990. He worked his way through college at Embry Riddle University where many of his classmates were active duty military personnel. He earned a Bachelor’s degree in Business Aviation in 1992 and later earned a Juris Doctorate degree from Texas Wesleyan University School of Law (now Texas A&M School of Law) in 1996. While attending law school, Congressman Gonzalez worked as an intern in the office of former Congressman Solomon P. Ortiz. In 1997, Congressman Gonzalez opened his law practice, V. Gonzalez & Associates.

Congressman Gonzalez was influenced by his father, a Korean War veteran, to help individuals fight for their rights and practiced law for 20 years. He stood with working families wronged by powerful corporations and took on unscrupulous vendors, recovering millions in school bond revenues for taxpayers. In Congress, he is fighting to protect Social Security and Medicare and to ensure that veterans, military members, and their families have the care and compensation they earned through their service. He is committed to improving health care for those who need it most: children, people with special needs, veterans, and seniors.

As a small business owner, Congressman Gonzalez understands the challenges facing American businesses. He serves on the Committee on Financial Services. In Congress, he is working across party lines and with local, state, and federal government to expand economic opportunity for all.

A lifetime resident of South Texas, Congressman Gonzalez is married to Lorena Saenz Gonzalez, a former teacher and school administrator in Edinburg and McAllen. They reside in McAllen.



Date of Birth: **September 15, 1969**

Year Elected to Seat: **2019**

Education: **University of Texas, New York University**

Committees Assignments:

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

Notes:

Representative Veronica Escobar (D-TX-16)

Veronica is proud to have served as County Judge where she was able to have an extraordinary impact on the lives of El Pasoans. Judge Escobar expanded access to affordable healthcare through her support of the El Paso County Hospital District, which has provided vital services for the community and built two new, modern clinics that provide primary care to some of the poorest El Pasoans. She was also instrumental in the foundation of El Paso Children’s Hospital, the only stand-alone children’s hospital on the border.

Judge Escobar fought a system plagued by corruption and self-dealing. She brought significant internal reforms and modernized county government. Judge Escobar initiated and supported legislation that created the only County Ethics Commission in the state of Texas, and secured legislation that increased transparency and accountability over other taxing jurisdictions.

Judge Escobar has been a strong voice for the values of Border communities – tackling issues like cross-border trade and immigration, and communicating about the vibrancy of the U.S.-Mexico Border. She has testified before many state and federal committees, including the Senate Committee on Homeland Security. She is a recognized authority on this topic with four op-eds to her credit in the New York Times about El Paso and the Border.

Judge Escobar served two terms as El Paso County Judge, and previously served one term as County Commissioner for Precinct 2.

Before serving El Paso as an elected official, Judge Escobar was Executive Director for Community Scholars, a local non-profit organization that hired high school students to do public policy research and produce reports about El Paso’s challenges and opportunities. She also served as the Communications Director for Mayor Raymond Caballero and was a faculty member at the University of Texas at El Paso and El Paso Community College. She has served as a volunteer on a number of boards, both in El Paso and for the state of Texas.

Judge Veronica Escobar is the daughter of Benjamin and Isabel Escobar. She and her husband, Michael Pleters, have two children: Cristian Diego (20, a student at Harvard), and Eloisa Isabel (18, a student at Simmons), and they live in Central El Paso.



Date of Birth: **February 25, 1954**

Year Elected to Seat: **2011**

Education: **Texas A&M University, Houston Baptist University**

- Committees Assignments:
- **Energy and Commerce**
 - **Budget**

Notes:

Representative Bill Flores (R-TX-17)

Bill Flores is a ninth generation Texan, raised in Stratford, a small town in the Texas Panhandle.

While growing up in this agricultural community, he learned the value of hard work, starting at age nine by working cattle with his Dad, followed by having his own paper routes, and working six days per week, 12 hours per day in the ag industry during his middle school and high school years. He became an entrepreneur early in life by starting a small cattle herd at age 12 which ultimately grew into the Rafter O Cattle Company, a partnership with his three brothers which at its peak owned over 500 head of cattle.

He paid his own way through college, graduating with honors from Texas A&M University in 1976 with a BBA in Accounting. Earned Texas Certified Public Accountancy (CPA) license in 1978. Graduated from Houston Baptist University with MBA degree in 1985. He and his wife reside in Bryan, Texas, where they are members of Central Baptist Church.

Worked for a “Big 8” accounting firm for a few years, followed by 30 years in the oil & gas business, 20 of which were in “C” level positions for public and private companies; culminating as President and CEO of Phoenix Exploration Company, one of the fastest growing companies in Houston during 2006-2008.

In 2009, frustrated by the destructive legislation coming out of Washington, he retired from the private sector to run for Congress. In November 2010, he beat an incumbent Congressman by the largest margin of victory that election cycle.



Date of Birth: **January 12, 1950**

Year Elected to Seat: **1995**

Education: **Yale University, University of Virginia Law School**

Committees Assignments:

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

Notes:

Representative Sheila Jackson-Lee (D-TX-18)

Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee is an influential and forceful voice in Washington. She is serving her eleventh term as a member of the United States House of Representatives. She represents the 18th Congressional District of Texas, centered in Houston, which is the energy capital of the world. Considered by many as the “Voice of Reason”, she is dedicated to upholding the Constitutional rights of all people.

She sits on three Congressional Committees — a senior member of the House Committees on the Judiciary, Homeland Security, and newly appointed by the leadership as a Member of the crucial Budget Committee. She is currently the first female Ranking Member of the Judiciary Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations and is leading the way on criminal justice reform through groundbreaking legislation including the Sentencing Reform Act, Law Enforcement Trust and Integrity Act, The RAISE Act, The Fair Chance for Youth Act, Kaleif’s Law, and the American RISING Act of 2015. She has also introduced several bills including the Juvenile Accountability Block Grant Reauthorization and Bullying Prevention and Intervention Act, H.R. 71, the Federal Prison Bureau Nonviolent Offender Relief Act of 2015, and H.R. 4660, an Amendment to the Commerce, Justice, and Science Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2015 affirming the authority of the Attorney General to reduce prison overcrowding by developing and implementing lawful policies relating to requests for executive clemency from deserving petitioners. She is a champion for women and children supporting the Paycheck Fairness Act and the Pregnant Workers Fairness Act and introducing an amendment to HR2262 that provides for outreach to minority- and women-owned businesses with respect to business opportunities in the commercial space industry and authored H.R.45 the Triple-Negative Breast Cancer Research and Education Act of 2015.

She was named by ‘Congressional Quarterly’ as one of the 50 most effective Members of Congress and the ‘U.S. News and World Report’ named her as one of the 10 most influential legislators in the U.S. House of Representatives. She is a founder, member, and co-chair of the Congressional Children’s Caucus and authored and introduced H.R. 83, the Bullying Prevention and Intervention Act of 2013. She is also chair of the Congressional Black Caucus Energy Braintrust, co-chair of the Justice Reform Task Force, a leadership appointed member of the International Helsinki Commission. She serves as Senior Whip for the Democratic Caucus, past Chairperson of the Texas Congressional Democratic Delegation for the 113th Congress, and current Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation Board.

Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee earned a B.A. in Political Science from Yale University with honors in the first graduating class including females, followed by a J.D. from the University of Virginia Law School.



Date of Birth: **March 9, 1972**

Year Elected to Seat: **2017**

Education: **Texas Tech University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Ways and Means**

Representative Jodey C. Arrington (R-TX-19)

Jodey Arrington is a proven leader and a lifelong conservative who is committed to fighting for the people of West Texas. His principles of faith, family and hard work run deep.

A graduate of Plainview High School, Jodey attended Texas Tech University earning a BA in Political Science and a Master’s Degree in Public Administration.

Through the years, his ability to tackle tough issues and achieve results for our country, state, and local communities have taken him from the South Plains, to Austin, to the White House, and back again. His experience includes advising then Gov. George W. Bush on appointments to state boards and commissions, and recruiting conservative business leaders from across the state to provide oversight and accountability to agencies responsible for agriculture, higher education, healthcare, and criminal justice.

He later became an Advisor to President Bush in the White House, responsible for helping assemble President Bush’s leadership team in critical areas such as agriculture, water, and energy.

After leaving the White House, Jodey served as Chief of Staff to the FDIC Chairman and Amarillo native, Don Powell, where he was actively involved in helping cut millions of dollars in waste and inefficiencies, reducing regulatory burdens on community banks, and passing the U.S. deposit insurance reform.

In January 2017, Jodey became only the fifth representative to serve the 19th District of Texas in the U.S. House of Representatives since its creation in 1935. In Congress, Jodey is a tireless advocate for significantly cutting government spending, ensuring a strong national defense, and protecting the freedoms we all richly deserve. He has proven to be a voice for conservative values and a leader among his colleagues.

He was appointed to serve as Chairman of the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity for the 115th Congress. In this role, Arrington is working to ensure veterans have opportunities for employment after deployment. In addition to his subcommittee chairmanship on the House Veterans’ Affairs Committee, Jodey serves on the Agriculture and Budget committees.

Jodey is able to serve thanks to the tremendous sacrifice and support of his wife, Anne, and his three children. He has served on numerous boards and committees related to Christian ministry, economic development, and renewable energy

Notes:



Date of Birth: **September 16, 1974**

Year Elected to Seat: **2013**

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

Committees Assignments:

- **Foreign Affairs**
- **House Select Permanent Committee on Intelligence**

Notes:

Representative Joaquin Castro (D-TX-20)

Joaquin Castro was born in San Antonio, Texas on September 16, 1974. A second generation Mexican American, he was raised on the city's West Side and is a proud product of the public school system. The Castro family's history in the United States began nearly 100 years ago when his grandmother, Victoria Castro, came to Texas as a young orphan. In the spirit of the American Dream, she often worked two and three jobs at a time to be able to give her daughter (Joaquin's mother, Rosie) and her grandchildren a better chance in life.

Joaquin has worked hard to seize the opportunities created by the sacrifices of his grandmother and prior generations. After finishing high school a year early, Joaquin left San Antonio to graduate with honors from Stanford University in 1996. He then went on to attend Harvard Law School where he received his Juris Doctorate degree in 2000. Upon his return to San Antonio at 28 years old, Joaquin joined a private law practice and was elected to the Texas Legislature. He served five terms as state representative for District 125. In 2012, Joaquin was elected to serve in the U.S. House of Representatives as representative of Texas' 20th Congressional District, which covers a large portion of San Antonio and Bexar County. Joaquin's identical twin brother, Julián Castro, was elected in 2013 to his third term as Mayor of San Antonio. On July 28, 2014, Julian Castro was sworn in as Secretary of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

Joaquin's respect for public service developed at a young age and was deeply influenced by his parents' involvement in political movements and civic causes. His father, a retired teacher, and his mother, a renowned community activist, instilled in him a deep appreciation for the democratic process and the importance of serving one's community.

Having experienced America's promise firsthand, Joaquin wants to help build out what he calls the Infrastructure of Opportunity so that future generations will have the same chance to pursue their American Dream. Joaquin believes that just as there is an infrastructure of transportation that helps us get to where we want to go on the road there is an Infrastructure of Opportunity that helps Americans get to where they want to go in life. It is that Infrastructure of Opportunity – great public schools and universities, a sound healthcare system, and good-paying jobs – that enables Americans to pursue their American Dream. Our centuries-long commitment to building and preserving this infrastructure is what distinguishes America among the nations of the world.

As Congressman, Joaquin continues to be a tireless advocate for those who call San Antonio home. From supporting military families to investing in education, Joaquin remains committed to helping mold an Infrastructure of Opportunity for San Antonians and Americans around the country.



Date of Birth: **August 7, 1972**

Year Elected to Seat: **2019**

Education: **University of Virginia,
University of Texas**

Committees Assignments:

- **Budget**
- **Veterans’ Affairs**
- **Oversight and Reform**

Notes:

Representative Chip Roy (R-TX-21)

Rep. Chip Roy (R-TX) is a former federal prosecutor and top advisor to many prominent Texas elected officials. He previously served as chief of staff to Sen. Ted Cruz (R-TX), staff director of Sen. John Cornyn’s (R-TX) leadership office and senior counsel to the Senate Judiciary Committee. In Texas, Roy was the First Assistant Attorney General under Ken Paxton and served as a senior advisor to then-Gov. Rick Perry (R-TX).

The congressman has spent numerous years outside of politics, including working as an investment banking analyst for NationsBanc Capital Markets, a technology consultant, and as a counsel in the Oil & Gas industry. The congressman also served as the Vice President of Strategy for the Texas Public Policy Foundation.

Roy brings a wealth of public and private sector experience to the House Republican conference. A dedicated conservative with the track record to prove it, Roy is committed to restoring health care freedom, protecting our borders, defending the sanctity of human life, supporting the men and women of the military, reducing federal spending and limiting government to promote freedom and opportunity for all Americans.



Date of Birth: **December 9, 1962**

Year Elected to Seat: **2009**

Education: **Rice University, University of Texas School of Law**

Committees Assignments:

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

Notes:

Representative Peter G. Olson (R-TX-22)

Pete Olson represents the 22nd District of Texas in the U.S. House of Representatives. He was born on December 9, 1962 at the Madigan Army Medical Center in Fort Lewis, Washington. The Olson family settled in Seabrook, Texas in 1972, where Olson grew up and graduated from Clear Lake High School in 1981. He received a B.A. from Rice University in 1985 and earned his law degree from the University of Texas in 1988. On the day he completed the Texas bar examination, Pete took the oath of office for service in the United States Navy.

Pete attended Aviation Officer Candidate School and earned his Wings of Gold in March 1991. During his decorated career, he flew the P-3C Orion, which is designed to track and destroy ballistic missile submarines. During his deployments, Pete flew missions over the Sea of Okhotsk between Japan and Russia, the South China Sea, the Indian Ocean, and the Persian Gulf, where he helped to enforce the international sanctions levied upon Iraq after Operation Desert Storm. In 1994, Pete’s combat aircrew was named the Pacific Fleet’s best in anti-submarine warfare. Pete was transferred to serve on the Joint Chiefs of Staff in 1994 and a year later, was assigned as a naval liaison officer to the U.S. Senate.

In 1998, Olson became a legislative aide to Texas Senator Phil Gramm. In 2002, newly elected Texas Senator John Cornyn appointed him as his first Chief of Staff. In 2007, Pete returned home to Texas and in November 2008, the people of the 22nd District of Texas elected him to the 111th Congress.

In his second term in Congress, the Republican Leadership appointed Pete to serve on the House Energy & Commerce Committee. For the 115th Congress, Olson was appointed Vice Chair of the Energy Subcommittee by Chairman Greg Walden. He also sits on the Communications & Technology and Environment Subcommittees. Olson co-chairs several congressional caucuses: the Artificial Intelligence Caucus with Rep. John Delaney (D-MD), the Congressional Refinery Caucus with Rep. Cedric Richmond (D-LA) and the Corrosion Caucus with Rep. Elizabeth Esty (D-CT). Given the important role that the energy, telecommunication and health care industries play as local economic drivers, these committee assignments are critical for the Houston region.

Pete and his wife Nancy live in Sugar Land, Texas with their children, Kate and Grant. They are active members of the United Methodist Church.



Date of Birth: **August 19, 1977**

Year Elected to Seat: **2015**

Education: **Texas A&M University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Appropriations**
- **Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence**

Notes:

Representative Will Hurd (R-TX-23)

Born and raised in San Antonio, Texas, Will is a proud product of the Texas public school system. He attended John Marshall High School and Texas A&M University, where he majored in Computer Science and served as Student Body President.

After college, Will served as an undercover officer in the CIA in the Middle East and South Asia for nearly a decade, collecting intelligence that influenced the National Security agenda. Upon leaving the CIA, he became a Senior Advisor with a cybersecurity firm, covering a wide range of complex challenges faced by manufacturers, financial institutions, retailers, and critical infrastructure owners. He was also a partner with a strategic advisory firm helping businesses expand into international markets.

Will is the first member to serve the 23rd District of Texas in Congress for three consecutive terms in a decade. In 2017, Will was appointed by Speaker Ryan to serve on the House Permanent Select Intelligence Committee, to replace Representative Mike Pompeo upon his confirmation as Director of the CIA. Will was also selected by Republican Leader Kevin McCarthy this year to serve on the House Appropriations Committee, where he is a member of the Subcommittees on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs along with Transportation, Housing and Urban Development.

He is close to his brother Charlie, sister Liz, mother Mary Alice, and father Bob, who all live in San Antonio.



Date of Birth: **February 23, 1951**

Year Elected to Seat: **2005**

Education: **Southern Nazarene University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Ways and Means**

Representative Kenny E. Marchant (R-TX-24)

As a lifelong conservative, Congressman Kenny Marchant is committed to the values of limited government and fiscal responsibility. Congressman Marchant has a strong record of fighting for lower taxes, eliminating wasteful government spending, bringing accountability and transparency to government, supporting free markets and opposing bailouts, securing our borders and enforcing our immigration laws, and protecting human life in all its stages.

After graduating from Southern Nazarene University, Congressman Marchant started his own construction and home building business. As a small business owner, he was responsible for creating jobs and meeting a regular payroll, an experience that taught him the importance of entrepreneurship and free enterprise.

Congressman Marchant's commitment to public service led him to run for the Carrollton City Council, where he was elected and served for four years before being elected mayor of Carrollton. After serving two years as mayor of Carrollton, he was elected to the Texas House of Representatives in 1986.

As a state representative, Congressman Marchant earned a reputation as a strong conservative leader and consensus-builder. In the Texas House, he served as Chairman of the House Committee on Banking and Investments, where he authored legislation strengthening oversight of credit unions, allowing interstate branch banking, enforcing state laws relating to corporate fraud, securing public investments, and allowing access to home equity. In 1999, his colleagues elected him Chair of the House Republican Caucus, a position he held for four years.

During his time in the Texas House, Congressman Marchant was named a "Top Ten Legislator" by Texas Monthly, "Legislator of the Year" by the Texas Municipal League, and "Top Pro-Family Legislator of the Year" by the American Family Association for his consistent record of sponsoring and supporting pro-family legislation.

In 2004, he was elected to represent Texas' 24th Congressional District. As a member of Congress, he has received numerous honors and awards, including the Center for Security Policy's "Champion of National Security" Award for his strong record of defending America's sovereignty, safety, and freedom; the Council for Citizens Against Government Waste's "Taxpayer Hero" Award for his principled stand against earmarks and excessive government spending; the Club for Growth's "Defender of Economic Freedom" Award for his consistent record of cutting taxes and reducing the size of government; the American Conservative Union's "Defender of Liberty" Award for his commitment to conservative principles; and the National Federation of Independent Business' "Guardian of Small Business" Award for his unwavering support for small business.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **September 13, 1949**

Year Elected to Seat: **2013**

Education: **Texas Christian University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Financial Services**

Representative Roger Williams (R-TX-25)

Roger Williams represents the 25th Congressional District of Texas which stretches from Tarrant County in the north to Hays County in the south and includes much of the Texas Hill Country and Austin.

Roger attended Texas Christian University where he was an All-Southwest Conference baseball player and was named to TCU's All-Decade Team for the 1960s. After graduating from college, Roger was drafted by the Atlanta Braves and played in their farm system for many years before deciding to begin a new career as a small business owner, while also becoming baseball coach at TCU.

Roger was appointed by former Texas Governor Rick Perry to serve as Texas Secretary of State, where he helped usher in unprecedented economic growth to the state. He also served as the state's Chief Liaison for the Texas Border and Mexican Affairs.

In 2012, Roger was elected to Congress. Honored to represent Fort Hood, he was appointed to the National Defense Authorization Conference Committee for Fiscal Year 2018 that ultimately led to the largest pay raise for our troops in eight years. It also paved the way for increased funding for improvements critical infrastructure at Fort Hood.

Roger has been the voice of small business owners across America. He has brought with him valuable, real world business experience that has made him an effective leader and legislator. Roger authored a tax reform package called Jumpstart America that served as a framework for the recently passed historic tax reform package that modernized America's outdated tax code from a true business perspective.

In the 115th Congress, Congressman Williams serves on the Financial Services Committee as the vice chair on the Subcommittee on Monetary Policy and Trade. He also serves on the Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, and Subcommittee on Terrorism and Illicit Finance, where he is leading the fight against funding terrorism. He recently introduced his bill, the Strengthening Iran's Access to Finance Act, which would promote increased safety between the United States and Iran.

His love of sports has followed Congressman Williams to the Capitol. He is the chair of the bipartisan Congressional Baseball Caucus and the College Football Caucus. He is also the manager and coach of the Republican Congressional Baseball Team.

Notes:



Date of Birth: **December 23, 1950**

Year Elected to Seat: **2003**

Education: **University of North Texas, The University of Texas Medical School**

Committees Assignments:

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

Notes:

Representative Michael C. Burgess (R-TX-26)

Ever since I came to Congress, I have made repealing Medicare's Standard Growth Rate (SGR) formula a top priority. At the beginning of the 114th Congress, over ninety percent of both chambers of Congress supported the formula's repeal and it was signed into law. As one of the largest entitlement reforms in the past few decades, this landmark policy will ensure greater access and quality for seniors, more stable reimbursements for providers, and a more fiscally solvent Medicare system as a whole.

As a member of Congress representing one of the fastest-growing areas of the country, transportation is also a top priority. In 2005, I successfully amended the Highway Bill to include development credits, design-build, and environmental streamlining. During my time on Capitol Hill, I have worked to build, maintain, and improve the safety of our roads, bridges, air service, and transit in the North Texas region.

As a fiscal conservative, I believe Americans deserve a federal government that is more efficient, more effective, less costly, and always transparent. I am a proponent of a flat tax and have introduced a flat tax bill every term I have served in Congress. I follow a strict adherence to the Constitution and oppose unnecessary expansion of the federal government's control over the personal freedoms of Americans. Instead, I believe in giving people more control over their lives and their money. I am committed to reducing illegal immigration into our country and have taken action to ensure our borders are secure and our immigration laws are enforced. I strongly oppose any proposal to grant amnesty to illegal immigrants.

During my time on Capitol Hill, I have earned a reputation as a problem-solver who seeks sensible solutions to the challenges Americans face and have received several awards including the Guardian of Small Business award by the National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB); the Spirit of Enterprise award by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce; and the Taxpayer Hero award from the Council for Citizens Against Government Waste; among others. In 2013, I was named to Modern Healthcare's 50 Most Influential Physician Executives and Leaders.

Today, I represent the majority of Denton County and parts of Tarrant County. I was raised in Denton, and attended The Selwyn School, graduating in 1968 as valedictorian. In addition, I graduated with both an undergraduate and a master's degree from North Texas State University, now the University of North Texas.

I received my M.D. from the University of Texas Medical School in Houston, and completed my residency programs at Parkland Hospital in Dallas. I also received a master's degree in Medical Management from the University of Texas at Dallas, and in May 2009 was awarded an honorary Doctorate of Public Service from the University of North Texas Health Sciences Center.



Date of Birth: **May 13, 1975**

Year Elected to Seat: **2018**

Education: **Oral Roberts University**

Committees Assignments:

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

Notes:

Representative Michael Cloud (R-TX-27)

Michael Cloud is a Constitutional Conservative who represents the 27th District of Texas in the U.S. Congress and has been a longtime defender of American values, committed to fighting for economic growth, our Constitutional liberties, and a strong national defense.

Michael is a husband and father, a business owner, and a longtime grassroots conservative leader from Victoria, Texas, where he has lived for the past 20 years. Michael's wife Rosel is a naturalized citizen and a public school teacher. Michael and Rosel are the proud parents of three children. The Clouds are patriotic Texans and active members of Faith Family Church, where Michael previously served on staff for ten years.

Michael's top priorities include protecting our Texas values and keeping Washington out of our business. He believes in lower taxes, pro-growth economic policies and restoring the rule of law, especially to our flawed immigration system. He is committed to working with local leadership to improve infrastructure and serve the people of District 27.

Michael has long fought for reforming Washington and now serves on the Oversight and Government Reform Committee, which is tasked with holding the federal government accountable. He also serves on the House Science, Space, and Technology Committee and its Energy Subcommittee, which oversees research in oil/gas and the American Energy sector.

Thanks to his experience as a small business owner, Michael understands the importance of cutting regulations and getting federal bureaucracy out of the way to allow our economy to thrive. As a longtime District 27 resident, he is committed to serving his fellow Texans in our district. And as a husband and father, he recognizes the urgency of transforming Washington and preserving for future generations the liberty and prosperity we enjoy as Americans.



Date of Birth: **September 19, 1955**

Year Elected to Seat: **2005**

Education: **Georgetown University,
University of Texas School of Law**

Committees Assignments:

- **Appropriations**

Representative Henry Cuellar (D-TX-28)

Born as one of eight children to migrant farm workers in Laredo, Texas, Congressman Cuellar was raised with strong family values and an unwavering work ethic to attain an advanced education. As the most degreed member of Congress, he points to education as the platform for his two decades of public service in Texas.

After earning his associate's degree from Laredo Community College, he used the skills and confidence he gained to enroll in Georgetown University in Washington, D.C. While attending Georgetown, he washed dishes and worked other jobs to afford his college degree, graduating from Georgetown Cum Laude. When he returned to Texas, Congressman Cuellar completed a master's degree in International Trade at Texas A&M International University and earned a law degree and Ph.D. in Government from the University of Texas at Austin.

In 1981, Congressman Cuellar opened his own law firm and became a licensed customs broker in 1983. He worked at his beloved alma mater, TAMU, as an Adjunct Professor for International Commercial Law from 1984 to 1986. The following year, Congressman Cuellar decided to fully dedicate his life to public service and served as a Texas State Representative from 1987 until he was appointed as the Texas Secretary of State in 2001.

During his 14 years as Laredo's State Representative, Congressman Cuellar served in influential leadership positions in the preeminent House Appropriations, Higher Education, and Calendar Committees. While in the Texas State Legislature, he coauthored the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP), which ensured health care for thousands of previously uninsured children, and he co-sponsored the largest tax cut in Texas history, which included a three-day tax holiday for consumers and small businesses.

He also served on several national legislative committees dealing with state budgets, the U.S.-Mexico border and international trade.

As Secretary of State, he redefined the office by making it easier for Texans to voice their concerns and opinions. Today, Texans still benefit from his new voter initiatives to register, educate, and protect voters' rights, as well as his efforts to expand the Border/Mexico Affairs office to help the colonias. He also implemented new technology to make state agencies more customer-friendly, transparent and accountable.

In 2005, Congressman Cuellar became the first Laredoan in over 20 years elected to represent the 28th District of Texas in the U.S. House of Representatives.

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Date of Birth: **September 6, 1950**

Year Elected to Seat: **2019**

Education: **Texas Southern University**
School of Law, Texas Woman’s University

Committees Assignments:

- **Financial Services**
- **Judiciary**

Notes:

Representative Sylvia Garcia (D-TX-29)

Garcia has dedicated her life to her community and to public service. As a social worker and legal aid lawyer early in her professional career, she protected our community's most vulnerable, old and young, and ensured no one was forgotten.

Garcia continued her public service career by serving as Director and Presiding Judge of the Houston Municipal System for an unprecedented five terms under two mayors. In 1998, she was elected City Controller, the second highest elected official in Houston city government and its chief financial officer. She quickly earned a reputation as the taxpayers' watchdog, fighting to protect the pocketbooks of working families and ensuring the City was transparent and accountable.

After two terms as Controller, Garcia was elected to the Harris County Commissioner's Court. The first Hispanic and first woman to be elected in her own right to the office, she continued her advocacy for working families and made certain Harris County took care of its most defenseless, all while making certain Harris County led the way for new jobs and economic development.

Garcia was sworn in to the Texas State Senate on March 11, 2013, representing Senate District 6. She became the seventh woman and the third Hispanic woman to serve in the upper chambers after winning a special runoff election for the seat of the late Senator Mario Gallegos.

Over three terms in the Texas Senate, Garcia has been a fighter for her district and advocated for veterans, immigrant rights, women’s health and access to healthcare. She has passed numerous bills including the Relationship Privacy Act which outlaws revenge pornography, the Truckers Against Trafficking Bill, which requires human trafficking training for commercial drivers, and the School Bus Safety Act, which requires school buses in Texas to have seat-belts.

Active in the Houston community, Garcia has served on more than 25 community boards and commissions, including the San Jacinto Girl Scouts, the Houston Hispanic Forum, the American Leadership Forum, Battleship Texas and the Museum of Fine Arts - Houston.

Garcia has been named "Humanitarian of the Year" by the National Conference of Communities and Justice and chosen as one of "Houston's 25 Power People" by Inside Houston magazine. She has been awarded the Hispanic Scouting Distinguished Citizen Award from the Sam Houston Area Boy Scouts of America, the Mexican American Legal Defense & Education Fund Matt Garcia Public Service Award and the Houston GLBT Political Caucus Eleanor Tinsley Award.



Date of Birth: **December 3, 1935**

Year Elected to Seat: **1993**

Education: **St. Mary's College Indiana,
Texas Christian University, Southern
Methodist University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Science, Space and Technology (Chair)**

Notes:

Representative Eddie Bernice Johnson (D-TX-30)

Congresswoman Eddie Bernice Johnson is serving her 13th term representing the 30th Congressional District of Texas. In December 2010, Congresswoman Johnson was elected as the first African-American and the first female Ranking Member of the House Committee on Science, Space and Technology. From 2000 to 2002, she was the Ranking Member of the Subcommittee on Research and Science Education where she emphasized STEM education (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics).

Congresswoman Johnson has been a member of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee since being sworn into office in January 1993. She has served on the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee as the highest ranking Texan. She has also served on the Subcommittee on Aviation, the Subcommittee on Railroad, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials and the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.

Congresswoman Johnson is the first nurse elected to the U.S. Congress.

Currently she serves on the Aviation Subcommittee, Highways and Transit Subcommittee and Water Resources and Environment Subcommittee.

Congresswoman Johnson was elected to the Texas House of Representatives in 1972 and became the first woman in Texas history to lead a major Texas House committee, the Labor Committee. As an advocate for workers, children, and families, she was recognized and appointed by President Jimmy Carter to serve as Regional Director of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare in 1977. In 1986, she was elected a Texas state Senator, becoming the first female and African-American from the Dallas area to hold this office since Reconstruction.

Congresswoman Johnson is widely recognized as one of the most effective legislators in Congress. Throughout her tenure in Congress she is credited with originally sponsoring or co-sponsoring over 200 bills. She also has a long-standing reputation for providing excellent constituent services. Her district office in downtown Dallas specializes in working with all federal departments and agencies to assist constituents in solving a wide range of individual problems.

Congresswoman Johnson is the proud mother of her son, Kirk, and of her three grandsons, Kirk Jr., David, and James.



Date of Birth: **November 6, 1941**

Year Elected to Seat: **2003**

Education: **Texas Tech University,
University of Texas School of Law**

Committees Assignments:

- **Appropriations**

Notes:

Representative John R. Carter (R-TX-31)

U.S. Representative John R. Carter represents Texas' 31st Congressional District, which includes Williamson and Bell counties. In the 116th Congress, Congressman Carter sits on the Defense Subcommittee on Appropriations and he is the Ranking Member on the Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Subcommittee on Appropriations. In addition, he serves as Co-Chairman of the bipartisan House Army Caucus. Additionally, he is a member of the House Republicans Steering Committee, a leadership position.

Since his first election, Congressman Carter has established himself as a leader in Congress who has the foresight and courage to author and support numerous pieces of legislation that would increase the protection of U.S. citizens, and bring justice to those who threaten our freedom and way of life.

Congressman Carter is one of the few House Members who has authored legislation signed into law under Presidents Bush, Obama and Trump. In spite of now being a veteran Congressman, John Carter is still known as "Judge" for having served over 20 years on the district court bench in Williamson County, which he won as the first county-wide elected Republican in Williamson County history. Before becoming a Judge, Congressman Carter had a successful private law practice and continued to practice law while serving as the Municipal Judge in Round Rock.

A true Texan at heart, Congressman Carter was born and raised in Houston and has spent his adult life in Central Texas. Carter attended Texas Tech University where he graduated with a degree in History and then graduated from the University of Texas Law School in 1969. Congressman Carter and his wife, Erika, met in Holland and have been happily married since June 15, 1968. Since then, they have built a home and raised their four children on Christian beliefs and strong Texas Values. Congressman Carter and Mrs. Carter are proud grandparents to six precious grandchildren.



Date of Birth: **April 15, 1983**

Year Elected to Seat: **2019**

Education: **Baylor University**

Committees Assignments:

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

Notes:

Representative Colin Allred (D-TX-32)

Born and raised in North Dallas by a single mom who was a Dallas public school teacher, Congressman Colin Allred was student body president at Hillcrest High School and earned a full-ride football scholarship to Baylor University.

Diploma in hand and prepared to attend law school, Colin deferred his acceptance to play in the NFL. He was a linebacker for five seasons before sustaining a career-ending injury that opened the door for him to fulfill his other dream -- becoming a civil rights attorney.

Colin served in the General Counsel's office at the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Colin later returned home to Dallas and decided to run for office to represent the district he grew up in.

As a Representative, Colin is dedicated to helping North Texas families gain the same opportunities he had to fulfill his dreams. Colin's top priorities in Congress are working to lower health care costs, protecting Medicare and Social Security, and creating an economy that works for everyone. Colin is passionate about expanding access to vocational and trade schools and lowering the cost of college so all North Texans have the shot at a middle-class job. He believes Congress must find common ground to rebuild our aging roads and bridges, pass comprehensive immigration reform and take care of our veterans.



Date of Birth: **January 3, 1971**

Year Elected to Seat: **2013**

Education: **Texas Wesleyan University**

Committees Assignments:

- **Science, Space and Technology**
- **Small Buisness**

Representative Marc Veasey (D-TX-33)

Rep. Veasey is an advocate for Texas’ middle-class families and is committed to creating jobs, improving public education, fighting for immigration reform, and ensuring access to quality healthcare and women’s reproductive rights.

Congressman Veasey was appointed in the 116th Congress to serve on the Committee on Energy and Commerce and the Committee on Small Business. Prior to his new committee appointments, Rep. Veasey served on the Armed Services Committee and the Committee on Science Space and Technology.

Throughout his time in Congress, Rep. Veasey founded the first Congressional Voting Rights Caucus to address the immediate need to eliminate the barriers and discrimination too many Americans face at the polls. In the 114th Congress, he accepted his appointment as an Assistant and Regional Whip. In the 116th Congress, the Congressman was appointed to serve as a Whip for the Gun Violence Prevention Taskforce.

Rep. Veasey is currently a member of the Congressional Black Caucus and the New Democrat Coalition. He also co-launched the Blue Collar Caucus with Congressman Brendan Boyle to find solutions to problems too many middle-class Americans are facing. The Blue Collar Caucus supports unions and focuses on addressing wage stagnation, offshoring, and job insecurity for those in the manufacturing and building trades.

First elected to the Texas State House in 2004, Congressman Veasey represented District 95 – an area now part of the 33rd Congressional District. As a member of the Texas State House, Rep. Veasey served in a number of leadership positions including Democratic Whip and Chair of the Democratic Caucus.

Issues he championed included fighting for affordable healthcare, funding for better schools, and advocating for a livable wage. Prior to serving four terms in the Texas House of Representatives, Rep. Veasey worked as a congressional staffer in North Texas for Congressman Martin Frost.

The Congressman was born and raised in Fort Worth, Texas. He and his wife Tonya live in the Metroplex and have a twelve- year-old son, Adam.

Rep. Veasey earned a BS from Texas Wesleyan University, where he majored in Mass Communication.

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Date of Birth: **February 13, 1963**

Year Elected to Seat: **2013**

Education: **Georgetown University,
University of Texas School of Law**

Committees Assignments:

- **Agriculture**
- **Armed Services**

Notes:

Representative Filemon Vela, Jr. (D-TX-34)

Born in Harlingen, Texas, and raised in Brownsville, Congressman Vela has deep roots in South Texas. His ancestors purchased land from the McAllen family to establish the Laguna Seca Ranch where the first citrus orchard in Hidalgo County was planted. Congressman Vela's father was appointed by President Jimmy Carter as a federal judge in the Southern District of Texas. His mother, Blanca Sanchez Vela, served as the first female mayor of Brownsville.

Vela attended Saint Joseph Academy in Brownsville, Texas. After graduating from Georgetown University in Washington, D.C., he attended the University of Texas School of Law. His interest in public service grew from his work helping individuals seek justice in state and federal courts as an attorney for over 20 years in South Texas.

He brings his expertise on border issues to his work as a member of the House Committee on Homeland Security where he was appointed by House leadership to serve as the top Democratic Member of the Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security. He also serves on the Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence and on the Committee's Task Force on Combating Terrorist and Foreign Fighter Travel. As Co-Chair of the Congressional Border Caucus, he has led efforts to reform the nation's immigration laws and expand investments in border communities and infrastructure, including ports and roads to expand trade.

Congressman Vela also sits on the House Committee on Agriculture. He was the only Texas Democrat appointed by House leadership to serve as a negotiator on the Conference Committee which drafted the most recent Farm Bill, a comprehensive law, which sets agriculture policy and funding for nutrition programs, including food stamps, for the next five years. Congressman Vela is a member of the Subcommittee on Conservation and Forestry and the Subcommittee on Livestock and Foreign Agriculture.

In Congress, Vela has been a strong advocate for immigrant rights, education programs including Head Start and Pell Grants for college students, and our community's federal healthcare centers. He is currently focused on bringing peace and security to our neighbors in Matamoros and Reynosa, and he is working to bring jobs and economic development to South Texas through many efforts including transforming the Port of Brownsville into a competitive deep water port.

Congressman Vela is married to Rose Vela, a former Justice on the Texas Court of Appeals, and they reside in Brownsville, Texas.



Date of Birth: **October 6, 1946**

Year Elected to Seat: **1995**

Education: **University of Texas - School of Law**

Committees Assignments:

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

Notes:

Representative Lloyd Doggett (D-TX-35)

In 2015, Save the Children recognized his leadership with the Congressional Champion for Real and Lasting Change Award. AARP honored him in 2016 with its Legislative Leadership Award for his efforts to preserve seniors' access to healthcare. He was also awarded the "Champion of Music" award by the Texas Chapter of The Recording Academy, which sponsors the Grammy Awards, and has been recognized 10 times by the Austin Chronicle's "Best of Austin" list. He is the co-founder and co-chair of the House Prescription Drug Taskforce working to lower the price of prescription drugs, and authored bills that established the Commission to End Child Abuse and Neglect Fatalities and successfully enacted a higher-education tax credit.

While a student at The University of Texas at Austin, he was elected student body president and graduated first in his class from the College of Business Administration. He then graduated with Honors from Texas Law, where he served as Associate Editor of the Texas Law Review. Elected to the Texas Senate soon after, Congressman Doggett became known for his untiring work ethic. He authored 124 state laws, including one which created the Texas Commission on Human Rights to prohibit discrimination, and another called the Texas Sunset Act, which sought greater efficiency and accountability by requiring periodic review of government agencies.

Elected in 1988 to serve as Justice to the Texas Supreme Court, he wrote opinions supporting the right to a trial by jury and authored an important rule bolstering the public's access to information. He served as Chair of the Supreme Court Task Force on Judicial Ethics and was recognized as an Outstanding Judge in Texas by the Mexican-American Bar of Texas. He was awarded the James Madison Award from the Freedom of Information Foundation of Texas, and received the First Amendment Award from the National Society of Professional Journalists.

In 1994, Lloyd Doggett was elected to serve in the United States House of Representatives. A strong defender of Social Security, Medicaid, health care, immigration reform, the environment, our veterans, and public education, he continues to make the priorities of Texans his priorities. In 2006, the Texas Association of Mexican American Chambers of Commerce named Congressman Doggett the Government Hispanic Business Advocate of the Year. To learn more about Representative Doggett and his legislative priorities, you can visit the Issues page of this site.

Representative Doggett's wife, Libby, recently served as Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy and Early Learning at the U.S. Department of Education. They have two daughters: Lisa, an Austin physician; and Cathy, who leads teams across Texas that work with new, disadvantaged parents. The Doggetts have four grandchildren: Ella, Clara, Zayla, and Canyon.



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

Year Elected to Seat: **2015**

Education: **Lamar University, University of Texas Dental School**

Committees Assignments:

- **Transportation and Infrastructure**
- **Science, Space and Technology**

Notes:

Representative Brian Babin (R-TX-36)

Dr. Babin served as an airborne artilleryman in the Texas Army National Guard and the U.S. Army Reserve and held various jobs to put himself through school, including merchant seaman, janitor, musician, disc jockey and U.S. Post Office letter carrier. Following his graduation from dental school, Dr. Babin was commissioned as a Captain in the United States Air Force and stationed overseas at Ramstein, Germany.

In 1979, Dr. Babin returned to East Texas and settled in Woodville where he opened a dental office. Over the past three-plus decades in Woodville, in addition to maintaining his successful dental practice, he has served as Woodville's Mayor, City Councilman, and as a Woodville ISD School Board Member, and in various other civic roles including Director and Vice President of the Tyler County Chamber of Commerce and Lions Club President.

Since 1999, Dr. Babin has served on the Lower Neches Valley Authority, appointed by then-Gov. Bush and reappointed by Gov. Perry. He has also previously served on the Texas State Historical Commission and the Texas State Board of Dental Examiners. In addition, he has served on the Deep East Texas Council of Governments.

Dr. Babin became involved in politics by supporting Ronald Reagan for President in 1980 as the Reagan County Chairman of Tyler County. Since that time he has worked to turn what had previously been a heavily Democrat region Republican by building a conservative voting base and encouraging and supporting good local candidates to run as Republicans. More recently he served as an organizer and member of the Tyler County Patriots and has served as a key-note speaker for numerous patriot and veteran's events and rallies throughout East Texas.

On January 5, 2015, Dr. Babin was sworn in to the 114th Congress. He was appointed to two committees that are critically important to the 36th District. His service on the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee affords him the opportunity to address the critical ports, highways, rails and pipelines that provide thousands of jobs and fuel a hub of economic activity that includes more petrochemical refining facilities than any district in the country.

Dr. Babin was also appointed to the House Committee on Science, Space and Technology. Serving as Chairman of the House Subcommittee on Space he is able to serve as a national leader for America's space policy matters of NASA and represent the interests of Johnson Space Center also located in the district. As a member of the Subcommittee on Environment, Babin has helped lead efforts to bring transparency and accountability to the EPA, which has threatened our petrochemical and agricultural interests with excessive regulation.