The State Legislature

The General Assembly is the oldest governmental body in North Carolina. According to tradition, a “legislative assembly of free holders” met for the first time around 1666. No documentary proof, however, exists proving that this assembly actually met. Provisions for a representative assembly in Proprietary North Carolina can be traced to the Concessions and Agreements, adopted in 1665, which called for an unicameral body composed of the governor, his council and twelve delegates selected annually to sit as a legislature.

This system of representation prevailed until 1670, when Albemarle County was divided into three precincts. Berkeley Precinct, Carteret Precinct and Shaftsbury Precinct were apparently each allowed five representatives. Around 1682, four new precincts were created from the original three as the colony’s population grew and the frontier moved westward. The new precincts were usually allotted two representatives, although some were granted more. Beginning with the Assembly of 1723, several of the larger, more important towns were allowed to elect their own representatives. Edenton was the first town granted this privilege, followed by Bath, New Bern, Wilmington, Brunswick, Halifax, Campbellton (Fayetteville), Salisbury, Hillsborough and Tarborough. Around 1735 Albemarle and Bath Counties were dissolved and the precincts became counties.

The unicameral legislature continued until around 1697, when a bicameral form was adopted. The governor or chief executive at the time, and his council constituted the upper house. The lower house, the House of Burgesses, was composed of representatives elected from the colony’s various precincts. The lower house could adopt its own rules of procedure and elect its own speaker and other officers. It could, however, meet only when called into session by the governor and only at a location designated by him. Because the lower house held the power of the purse and paying the governor’s salary, regular meetings of the legislature were held at least once during a two-year period (a biennium), and usually more often. Throughout the colonial period, the House of Burgesses’ control over the colony’s finances fueled controversy between the governor and the lower house. The house wielded its financial control effectively throughout this period, continually increasing its influence and prestige.

This power struggle between the governor and his council on one hand and the colonial legislature on the other, had a profound effect on the structure of the new government created by North Carolina’s first state constitution, adopted in 1776. The General Assembly became the primary organ of government with control overall other areas of government. The legislature wielded the constitutional authority...
to elect all executive and judicial branch officials. The N.C. Senate and House of Commons conducted joint balloting to elect these officials. On many occasions, the elections for administrative and judicial officials consumed substantial amounts of time when one candidate for a position could not muster a majority of votes from the legislators. The first break from this unwieldy procedure came in 1835, when a constitutional amendment changed the method for electing the governor. Instead of being elected by the legislature for a one-year term, the governor would henceforth be elected by the people for a two-year term. Another 33 years — and a devastating civil war and military occupation — would pass before the remaining state executive and judicial offices were elected by vote of the people. The postwar Constitution of 1868 dramatically reduced the General Assembly’s appointive powers over the other two branches of state government.

The state constitution of 1776 created a bicameral legislature with members of both houses elected by the people. The N.C. Senate had one representative from each county, while the N.C. House of Commons had two representatives from each county and one from each of the towns given representative status in the constitution. This scheme continued until 1835, when voters approved several constitutional changes to the legislative branch. Membership in the Senate was set at 50 with senators elected from districts. The state was divided into districts with the number of senators based on the population of each individual district. The membership of the House of Commons was set at 120 with representation based on the population of the county. The more populous counties had more representatives, but each county was entitled to at least one representative. Representation in each house would be adjusted based on the federal census taken every ten years. The General Assembly retained the power to adjust districts and representation.

In 1868, a new constitution was adopted, leading to more changes in the legislative branch. The bicameral structure was retained, but the name of the lower house was changed from the House of Commons to the House of Representatives. The new constitution eliminated the property qualification for holding office, opening up opportunities for less wealthy North Carolinians to serve. The Office of Lieutenant Governor re-appeared for the first time since 1776. The lieutenant governor, elected by the people, would now serve as president of the Senate. He would also take office as governor if the incumbent governor could not continue in office for any reason. The N.C. Senate members could also elect a president pro tempore from among their ranks. The president pro-temp charged the Senate sessions in the absence of its president.

In 1966, the House of Representatives adopted district representation similar to the Senate’s arrangement. Although the total number of representatives stayed at 120, every county was no longer guaranteed a representative. Instead, the requirement to maintain a rough equality of population size between districts resulted in counties with lower populations losing their resident representative. The switch to a district format left nearly one-third of the state’s counties with no resident legislator.
Prior to Raleigh’s designation as North Carolina’s permanent capital in 1792, the seat of government moved from town to town with each new General Assembly, a pattern established during the colonial period. Halifax, Hillsborough, Fayetteville, New Bern, Smithfield and Tarborough all served as the seat of government between 1776 and 1794. The Assembly of 1794-95 was the first legislative session to meet in Raleigh.

The buildings used as meeting places for the colonial and early general assemblies varied as much as their location. If the structure was big enough to hold the legislators, it was pressed into use. Courthouses, schools and even local residences served as legislative buildings. Tryon Palace in New Bern was North Carolina’s first capitol building. Completed in 1771, the palace was abandoned during the Revolutionary War because of its exposure to enemy attack. When Raleigh became the permanent state capital, the General Assembly approved the construction of a simple, two-story brick state house. This structure, completed in 1796, served as the General Assembly’s home until a fire gutted it in 1831. The legislature approved a new capitol building and construction on the current capitol was complete in 1840. The first session to convene in the capitol opened on November 16, 1840. Construction of the current legislative building started in early 1961. The first session held in the new building convened on February 6, 1963.

The organizational structure of state government established by the Constitution of 1868 remained basically unchanged with the adoption of the state’s third constitution in 1971. As one of the three branches of government established by the constitution, the legislative branch is equal with, but independent of, the executive and judicial branches. It is composed of the General Assembly and its administrative support units. The North Carolina constitution gives the General Assembly legislative, or law-making, power for the entire state. This means, in the words of the state’s Supreme Court, that the legislature has “the authority to make or enact laws; to establish rules and regulations governing the conduct of the people, their rights, duties and procedures; and to prescribe the consequences of certain activities.” These mandates give the General Assembly the power to make new laws and amend or repeal existing laws on a broad range of issues that have statewide as well as local impact. The legislature also defines criminal law in North Carolina.

Legislators in both the North Carolina Senate and House of Representatives stand for election every two years in even-numbered years. Members of both houses are elected from districts established by law. Qualifications for election differ slightly for each house. For election to either house, a person must reside in the district he or she wants to represent for at least one year prior to the election. Candidates must be registered to vote in North Carolina. Senate candidates must be at least 25 years old on the date of the election and a resident of the state for two years immediately preceding the election. House candidates must be at least 21 years old on the date of the election, in addition to the previously stated qualifications.
A constitutional amendment approved by voters in 1982 set the first day of January following the November general election as the date legislators officially take office. Prior to the amendment, legislators took office immediately following the November election.

Each house of the legislature elects a Principal Clerk. The Senate also elects a Reading Clerk and a Sergeant-at-Arms. These positions are appointed in the House. The President of the Senate (Lieutenant Governor) presides over its sessions. A President Pro Tempore, elected by Senators from among their membership, presides over the Senate in the absence of the Lieutenant Governor. The Speaker of the House of Representatives is elected by the Representatives from among their membership. Other officers in each respective house are elected either by the membership as a whole or by the members of each party.

Much of the General Assembly’s legislative work occurs through standing committees. Shortly after every legislative session convenes the leadership in each House forms standing committees and appoints members of their respective House to the committees. Since 1989, the President Pro Tempore has appointed Senate committees, a duty formerly given the President of the Senate. The Speaker of the House appoints committees in that Chamber. These leaders often make committee assignments based on legislators’ interests and expertise. In the most recent session, there were 22 standing committees in the Senate and 31 in the House.

The Legislative Services Commission oversees the Legislative Services Office which is the General Assembly’s administrative staff. The President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House alternate chairmanship of the Legislative Services Commission on a yearly basis and each appoints seven members from his or her respective house to serve on the commission. The commission employs a Legislative Services Officer who serves as Chief Staff Officer for the commission. The Legislative Services Office has five support divisions, each managed by a director:

**Administrative Division**

The Administrative Division’s primary role is to provide logistical support to the General Assembly in a variety of areas such as budget preparation and administration, building maintenance, equipment and supplies, mailing operations, printing (including printed bills) and a host of other services.

**Information Systems Division**

The Information Systems Division designs, develops and maintains a number of computer applications used by the General Assembly staff. Legal document retrieval, bill status reporting, fiscal information systems, office automation and electronic publishing are all functions of the division. A Legislative Services Commission subcommittee sets policies governing the division’s operation and access to the Legislative Computer Center.
Bill Drafting Division

The Bill Drafting Division assists legislators by preparing bills for introduction. Staff attorneys draft the bills and make sure they are entered into the computer and printed. They also make sure that the proper number of copies of draft bills is delivered to the introducing legislator. Division staff follows numerous guidelines to ensure confidentiality.

Fiscal Research Division

The Fiscal Research Division serves as the research and watchdog arm of the General Assembly on fiscal and compliance matters regarding state government. Its statutory duties include fiscal analysis, operational reviews and reporting.

Research Division

The Research Division obtains information and makes legal and non-fiscal analyses of subjects affecting and affected by state law and government. Individual legislators and standing committee of the General Assembly alike can request the division’s services. Division staff also answers questions from other North Carolina and sister state agencies and private citizens.

For more information about the Legislative Services Office, call (919) 733-4111 or visit the office’s Web site at http://www.ncga.state.nc.us/.
George Rubin Hall, Jr.
Legislative Services Officer

Early Years
Born in Raleigh, N.C. April 14, 1939, to George Rubin, Sr. (deceased) and Ludie Jane Conner Hall (deceased).

Educational Background
Hugh Morson High School, 1953-55; Needham Broughton High School, 1955-57; Bachelor’s of Science, Campbell College, 1964; Post-graduate work in Public Personnel Administration, N.C. State University; Government Executives Institute, UNC-Chapel Hill, 1982.

Professional Background
Legislative Services Officer, 1979-Present; 14 years, N.C. Division of Vocational Rehabilitation; former Administrative Officer with N.C. General Assembly; Licensed Building Contractor; Licensed Real Estate Broker.

Boards and Commissions
Former member, Wake County School Board Advisory Council; Manpower Area Planning Council, Region J, 1972-73.

Military Service
Staff Sgt., N.C. Army National Guard, 1959-60 (active duty), 1960-65 (reserve duty).

Personal Information
Married, Carolyn Marie Young of Raleigh. Three children. Three grandchildren.
The 2009 General Assembly

The 2009 General Assembly, convened in the respective chambers of the Senate and House of Representatives in the Legislative Building in Raleigh at Noon on January 28. The opening of the Session was convened by Lieutenant Governor Walter Dalton in the Senate and Denise Weeks, Principal Clerk, in the House. Prior to 1957, the General Assembly convened in January at a time fixed by the Constitution of North Carolina. From 1957 through 1967, sessions convened in February at a time fixed by the Constitution of North Carolina. The 1969 General Assembly was the first to convene on a date fixed by law after elimination of the constitutionally fixed dates. The Assembly now convenes on the third Wednesday after the second Monday in January after the November election. The 2009 General Assembly adjourned sine die on July 10, 2010.

Women in the General Assembly

Lillian Exum Clement of Buncombe County was the first woman to serve in the General Assembly. Clement served in the 1921 House of Representatives. There were 45 women in the 2009 General Assembly, 7 in the Senate and 38 in the House of Representatives.

Former Representative Ruth M. Easterling, a Democrat from Mecklenburg County, became the longest serving woman in the General Assembly in 2001, serving 13 terms. The previous record was held by former Senator Lura Tally, a Democrat from Cumberland County, who served 11 terms (5 in the House and 6 in the Senate). Former Representative Jo Graham Foster, a Democrat from Mecklenburg County, served 10 terms, all in the House.

Minorities in the General Assembly

During Reconstruction, and particularly after the adoption of the Constitution of 1868, minorities were elected to the General Assembly for the first time in the State’s history. Fifteen African-Americans were elected to the House of Representatives and two to the Senate in 1868. Under the leadership of Representative Parker D. Robbins of Hertford County and Senators A. H. Galloway of New Hanover County and John A. Hyman of Warren County, the 1868 General Assembly approved the Fourteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution, which guaranteed citizenship for African-Americans. As conservative Democrats regained power in the 1890s, African-American representation in the General Assembly disappeared for nearly 60 years. Henry E. Frye of Guilford County became the first African-American to serve in the General Assembly during this century when he was elected to the House of Representatives in 1969. Twenty-nine African-Americans served in the 2009 General Assembly, 9 in the Senate and 20 in the House of Representatives. Representative H.M. Michaux holds the record for the most terms served in the General Assembly by an African-American. He has served over 15.5 terms in the House of Representatives.
The only member of the 2009 General Assembly of Native American descent was Representative Ronnie Sutton, a Democrat from Robeson County. The only Hispanic member of the 2009 General Assembly was Representative Daniel F. McComas, a Republican from New Hanover County.

**Miscellaneous Facts and Figures**

The oldest member of the 2009 Senate was Charlie Smith Dannelly (8/13/1924), a Democrat from Mecklenburg County. The youngest member of the 2009 Senate was Andrew C. Brock (4/9/1974), a Republican from Davie County. The oldest member of the 2009 House of Representatives was Dewey L. Hill (8/31/1925), a Democrat from Columbus County. The youngest member of the 2009 House of Representatives was Justin Burr (6/28/1985), a Republican from Stanly County. The member with the longest tenure was Senator R.C. Soles, Jr., a Democrat from Columbus County, serving his 21st term (4 in the House and 17 in the Senate).

**Salaries of Legislators**

Members of the 2009 General Assembly received a base salary of $13,951 per year and a monthly expense allowance of $559. The Speaker of the House and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate each received a base salary of $38,151 per year and a monthly expense allowance of $1,413. The Senate Deputy President Pro Tempore and the Speaker Pro Tempore of the House each received base salaries of $21,739 and monthly expense allowances of $836. The majority and minority leaders of each house received $17,048 in base salary and monthly expense allowances of $666. During the Legislative Session and when they are carrying out the State’s business, all legislators receive a subsistence allowance of $104 per day and travel allowance of $0.29 per mile.

**2009-2010 North Carolina Senate Officers**

- President (Lieutenant Governor): Walter Dalton
- President Pro Tempore: Marc Basnight
- Deputy President Pro Tempore: Charlie Smith Dannelly
- Permanent Democratic Caucus Chairman: R. C. Soles, Jr.
- Majority Leader: Anthony E. Rand (resigned 12/31/09)
- Majority Whip: Katie G. Dorsett
- Democratic Caucus Secretary: Charles W. Albertson
- Republican Leader: Phil Berger
- Deputy Republican Leader: Harry Brown
- Deputy Republican Leader: Peter S. Brunstetter
### 2009-2010 North Carolina Senate (continued)

#### Officers
- **Deputy Republican Leader**: Neal Hunt
- **Republican Whip**: Jerry W. Tillman
- **Joint Republican Caucus Leader**: W. Edward (Eddie) Goodall
- **Principal Clerk**: Janet B. Pruitt
- **Reading Clerk**: Ted Harrison
- **Sergeant-at-Arms**: Cecil Goins

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1 Dan Blue was appointed 5/19/2009.
2 Margaret Highsmith Dickson was appointed 1/21/2010.
3 Vernon Malone died on 4/18/2009.
5 Michael P. Walters was appointed 11/3/2009.
6 David F. Weinstein resigned 9/30/2009.

**Speakers of the Senate**

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Marc Basnight
President Pro-Tempore of the N.C. Senate

Democrat, Dare County
First Senatorial District: Beaufort, Camden, Currituck, Dare, Hyde, Pasquotank, Tyrrell and Washington counties

Early Years
Born in Manteo, Dare County, on May 13, 1947, to St. Clair and Cora Mae Daniels Basnight.

Educational Background
Manteo High School, 1966.

Professional Background
Owner, Lone Cedar Cafe.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. Senate, 1985-Present (President Pro-Tempore 1993-Present).

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Manteo Lions Club; 32nd-Degree Mason; First Flight Society.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
North Carolina Board of Transportation, representing Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Dare, Pasquotank and Perquimans Counties, 1977-83; Dare County Tourist Bureau (Chairman 1974-76).

Honors and Awards

Personal Information
Two children.

Committee Assignments
Ex-Officio member of all standing Senate committees.
Charlie Smith Dannelly  
Senate Deputy President Pro-Tempore

Democrat, Mecklenburg County  
Thirty-Eighth Senatorial District: Portions of Mecklenburg County

Early Years  
Born in Bishopville, South Carolina, on August 13, 1924, to Robert Samuel and Minnie Smith Dannelly.

Educational Background  
Mather Academy, Camden, South Carolina, 1944; B.A. in Education, Johnson C. Smith University, 1962; Masters in Education and Administration, UNC-Charlotte, 1966.

Professional Background  
Retired educator, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools.

Political Activities  
Member, North Carolina Senate, 1994-Present; Senate Deputy President Pro-Tempore, 2003-Present; Charlotte City Council, 1977-1989.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations  
Committee to Preserve and Restore Third Ward Board of Directors; Johnson C. Smith University 100 Club; Omega Psi Phi Fraternity.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions  
Advisory Council on Cancer Coordination and Control; Interagency Council for Coordinating Homeless Programs; Minority Health Advisory Council.

Military Activities  

Honors and Awards  

Personal Information  
Married to Rose LaVerne Rhodes Dannelly. One child.

Committee Assignments  
Chair, Ways and Means; Co-Chair, Appropriations/Base Budget. Ex-Officio Member of all standing Senate committees.
Robert Charles Soles, Jr.
Permanent Democratic Caucus Chairman

Democrat, Columbus County
Eighth Senatorial District: Brunswick, Columbus and Pender counties

Early Years
Born in Tabor City, on December 17, 1934, to the late Robert C. and Myrtle Norris Soles.

Educational Background
Tabor City High School, 1952; B.S. in Science and English, Wake Forest University, 1956; J.D., UNC-Chapel Hill, 1959.

Professional Background
Attorney, The Soles Law Firm, PLLC.

Political Activities

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
American and N.C. Bar Associations; American Trial Lawyers Association; N.C. Association of County Attorneys.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Former President, Southeastern Community College Foundation; Southern Growth Policies Board; Former Trustee, UNC-Wilmington; Former Trustee, Consolidated University of North Carolina.

Military Service

Committee Assignments
Chair, Commerce; Vice-Chair, Judiciary I and Rules and Operations of the Senate; Member, Appropriations on Justice and Public Safety, Appropriations/Base Budget, Finance, Select Committee on Economic Recovery, State and Local Government and Transportation.
Martin Luther Nesbitt  
Senate Majority Leader  

*(effective January 1, 2010)*

**Democrat, Buncombe County**  
Forty-Ninth Senatorial District: Portions of Buncombe County

**Early Years**  
Born in Asheville, Buncombe County, on September 25, 1946, to Martin Luther Nesbitt, Sr. and Mary Cordell Nesbitt.

**Educational Background**  

**Professional Background**  
Attorney At Law.

**Political Activities**  

**Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations**  
Buncombe County Bar Association; N.C. Bar Association.

**Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions**  

**Honors and Awards**  

**Personal Information**  
Married, Deane Sellers Nesbitt. Two children. Two grandchildren.

**Committee Assignments**  
Chair, Judiciary I and Select Committee on Economic Recovery; Vice-Chair, Appropriations on Health and Human Services and Mental Health & Youth Services; Member, Appropriations/Base Budget, Commerce, Education/Higher Education, Finance, Health Care and Rules and Operations of the Senate.
Anthony E. Rand  
Senate Majority Leader  
(resigned December 31, 2009)  

Democrat, Cumberland County  
Nineteenth Senatorial District: Bladen and Portions of Cumberland counties

Early Years  
Born in Wake County, on September 1, 1939, to Walter Rand, Jr. and Geneva Yeargan Rand.

Educational Background  

Professional Background  
Consultant, Sonorex, Inc.; President, Rand & Gregory, PA.

Political Activities  

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations  
Board of Directors, State Legislative Leaders Foundation; Board of Directors and Treasurer, General Alumni Association, UNC at Chapel Hill.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions  
Co-Chair, Employee Hospital and Medical Benefits Committee; Co-Chair, Joint Select Committee on Governmental Operations; Co-Chair, Joint Study Committee on Military and Veteran’s Affairs.

Honors and Awards  
Honorary Doctor of Laws, UNC, Chapel Hill, 2008; Honorary Doctor of Humanities, Methodist University, 2008; Honorary Doctor of Laws Degree, Fayetteville State University, 2000.

Personal Information  
Married to Karen Skarda Rand. Two children. One grandchild.

Committee Assignments  
Chair, Rules and Operations of the Senate and Select Committee on Employee Hospital and Medical Benefits; Co-Chair, Select Committee on Government and Election Reform; Vice-Chair, Commerce, Small Business and Entrepreneurship; Member, Appropriations/Base Budget, Appropriations on Justice and Public Safety, Education/Higher Education, Finance, Health Care, Judiciary I and Joint Select Committee on Emergency Preparedness and Disaster Management Recovery.
Katie Grays Dorsett  
Senate Majority Whip  

Democrat, Guilford County  
Twenty-Eighth Senatorial District: Portions of Guilford County

Early Years  
Born in Greensboro, Sunflower County, Mississippi on July 8, 1932, to Willie and Elizabeth Grays Dorsett.

Educational Background  

Professional Background  
Retired.

Political Activities  
Member, N.C. Senate, 2003-Present; N.C. Senate Majority Whip, 2007-Present; Cabinet Secretary, Department of Administration; Guilford County Board of Commissioners, Member, Greensboro City Council.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations  
Sickle Cell Disease Association of America; National Black Caucus of State Legislators; Women in Government.

Elective or Appointed Boards and Commissions  
Workforce Awareness Commission; Environment Review Commission; Urban Transportation Commission.

Honors and Awards  
Outstanding Citizen/Mid-Atlantic Region, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority; Woman of Faith, Greensboro, N.C.; Outstanding Public Servant, N.C. Council for Women.

Personal Information  
Married to Warren G. Dorsett. One child.

Committee Assignments  
Co-Chair, Appropriations on General Government and Information Technology and Select Committee on Energy, Science and Technology; Vice-Chair, Education/Higher Education, Health Care and State and Local Government; Member, Appropriations/Base Budget, Commerce, Judiciary II, Pensions, Retirement and Aging and Rules and Operations of the Senate.
Charles W. Albertson  
Senate Democratic Caucus Secretary  

Democrat, Duplin County  
Tenth Senatorial District: Duplin, Lenoir and Sampson counties

Early Years  
Born in Beulaville, Duplin County, on January 4, 1932, to James Edward and Mary Elizabeth Norris Albertson.

Educational Background  
Beulaville Elementary and High School, 1938-50.

Professional Background  
Retired.

Political Activities  
Member, N.C. Senate, 1992-Present; N.C. Senate Democratic Caucus Secretary, 2005-Present; Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 1989-92.

Military Services  
Airman 1st Class, U.S. Air Force.

Personal Information  
Married to Grace Sholar Albertson. Two children. Three grandchildren.

Committee Assignments  
Co-Chair, Appropriations/Base Budget; Member, Agriculture/Environment/Natural Resources, Finance, Judiciary I, Pensions, Retirement and Aging, Rules and Operations of the Senate, Select Committee on Energy, Science and Technology, State and Local Government and Ways and Means.
Philip Edward Berger  
Senate Republican Leader

Republican, Rockingham County  
Twenty-Sixth Senatorial District: Rockingham and Portions of Guilford counties

Early Years  
Born in New Rochelle, New York, on August 8, 1952, to Francis H. and Eunice Talley Berger.

Educational Background  

Professional Background  

Political Activities  
Member, N.C. Senate, 2001-Present; N.C. Senate Republican Leader, 2005-Present.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations  
Member, NC Bar and Former President, Rockingham County Bar; Town Attorney, Mayodan, 1988-Present.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions  
Member, Executive Board, Old North State Council, Boy Scouts of America; Member, Greensboro Chamber of Commerce; Member, Eden Chamber of Commerce.

Personal Information  
Married to Patricia Hays Berger. Three children. Four grandchildren.

Committee Assignments  
Member, Appropriations on Department of Transportation, Appropriations/Base Budget, Commerce, Education/Higher Education, Finance, Judiciary I, Rules and Operations of the Senate, State and Local Government, Transportation.
Harry Brown
Senate Deputy Republican Leader

Republican, Onslow County
Sixth Senatorial District: Jones and Onslow counties

Educational Background
Campbell University, B.A. in Business Administration, M.B.A.

Professional Background
Owner, National Dodge-Subaru & National Volkswagen.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. Senate, 2005-Present.

Committee Assignments
Member, Appropriations/Base Budget, Agriculture/Environment/Natural Resources, Appropriations on Department of Transportation, Education/Higher Education, Finance, Health Care, Judiciary I, Select Committee on Energy, Science and Technology and Transportation.
Peter Samuel Brunstetter  
Senate Deputy Republican Leader  

Republican, Forsyth County  
Thirty-First Senatorial District: Portions of Forsyth County  

Early Years  

Educational Background  
Redwood High School, Larkspur, CA; B.A. Political Science, Tulane University, 1977; J.D. Law, University of Virginia, 1984.  

Professional Background  
Attorney, Womble, Carlyle, Sandridge & Rice.  

Political Activities  
Member, North Carolina Senate, 2006-Present; Chairman, Forsyth County Commissioners.  

Military Service  

Personal Information  
Married Jodie Bray Brunstetter. Four Children.  

Committee Assignments  
Vice-Chair, Judiciary I; Member, Appropriations on Justice and Public Safety, Appropriations/Base Budget, Commerce, Health Care and Rules and Operations of the Senate.
Neal Hunt
Senate Deputy Republican Leader

Republican, Wake County
Fifteenth Senatorial District: Portions of Wake County

Early Years
Born in Thomasville, Randolph County, on September 17, 1942, to Miriam Hall Hunt and Walter S. Hunt, Jr.

Educational Background

Professional Background
Real Estate, President of HMC Corporation.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. Senate, 2004-Present; Senate Deputy Republican Leader, 2007-2010; Raleigh City Council, 2001-2004; Chair, Raleigh Planning Commission, 1999-2001.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
First Union Bank Board; Triangle Bank Board; Treasurer, Raleigh Rescue Mission Board; Advisory Board, Triangle Family Services.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions

Personal Information
Married to Frances (Duden) Campbell Hunt. Two children.

Committee Assignments
Member, Appropriations on Department of Transportation, Appropriations/Base Budget, Commerce, Finance and Transportation.
Jerry W. Tillman  
Senate Republican Whip

Republican, Randolph County  
Twenty-Ninth Senatorial District: Montgomery and Randolph counties

Early Years
Born in Siler City, Chatham County, on October 10, 1940, to Leonard and Delcie Duncan Tillman.

Educational Background

Professional Background
Retired School Administrator.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. Senate, 2003-Present; N.C. Senate Joint Republican Caucus Leader; N.C. Senate Republican Whip, 2005-Present.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Archdale/Trinity Lions Club; Archdale Friends Meeting.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions

Personal Information

Committee Assignments
Member, Agriculture/Environment/Natural Resources; Appropriations on Education/Higher Education; Appropriations/Base Budget; Education/Higher Education, Finance, Judiciary I and Transportation.
W. Edward (Eddie) Goodall
Joint Republican Caucus Leader

Republican, Union County
Thirty-Fifth Senatorial District: Union and Portions of Mecklenburg counties

Early Years
Born in Monroe, Union County, on October 20, 1946 to Will Edward and Leola B. Goodall.

Educational Background
Monroe High School, Monroe, N.C., 1965; B.S. in Accounting, UNC at Charlotte, 1969.

Professional Background
CPA, Goodall Consulting.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. Senate, 2005-Present.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Co-Founder, Union Academy Charter School; Board of Directors, Union County and Matthews, N.C.; St. Marks Lutheran Church.

Military Service

Personal Information
Married to Carol Sloan Goodall. Three children. Two grandchildren.

Committee Assignments
Member, Commerce, Education/Higher Education, Finance, Health Care, Judiciary II, Transportation.
Austin M. Allran
Republican, Catawba County

Forty-Second Senatorial District: Catawba and Portions of Iredell counties

Early Years
Born in Hickory, Catawba County, on December 13, 1951, to Albert M. and Mary Ethel Houser Allran.

Educational Background
Hickory High School, 1970; B.A. in English and History, Duke University, 1974; J.D., Southern Methodist University, School of Law, 1978; M.A. in English, North Carolina State University, 1998.

Professional Background
Attorney At Law/Real Estate. Austin M. Allran, Attorney at Law.

Political Activities

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Hickory Landmarks Society; Sons of the American Revolution; Catawba County Bar Association.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Child Fatality Task Force; Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Mental Health; NC/SC Bi-State Advisory Commission on the Catawba/Wateree River Basin.

Honors and Awards

Personal Information
Married to Judy Mosbach Allran. Two children.

Committee Assignments
Vice-Chair, Agriculture/Environment/Natural Resources and Judiciary II; Member, Education/Higher Education, Finance, Health Care and Select Committee on Economic Recovery.
Tom Apodaca
Republican, Henderson County

Forty-Eighth Senatorial District: Henderson, Polk and Portions of Buncombe counties

Professional Background
Entrepreneur.

Political Activities

Committee Assignments
Member, Appropriations/Base Budget, Appropriations on Justice and Public Safety, Commerce, Education/Higher Education, Finance, Judiciary II, Select Committee on Employee Hospital and Medical Benefits, State and Local Government and Transportation.
Bob Atwater  
Democrat, Chatham County

Eighteenth Senatorial District: Chatham, Lee, and Portions of Durham counties

Educational Background  
Durham High School; Political Science and Psychology, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Professional Background  
Retired.

Political Activities  
Member, N.C. Senate 2004-Present; Commissioner, Chatham County, NC.

Military Service  
US Air Force. Commendation Medal; Vietnam Service Medal; Presidential Unit Citation.

Personal Information  
Married to Jean Atwater. Three children.

Committee Assignments  
Chair, Agriculture/Environment/Natural Resources; Co-Chair, Appropriations on General Government and Information Technology; Member, Appropriations/Base Budget, Finance, Health Care, Judiciary II, Pensions, Retirement and Aging, Select Committee on Employee Hospital and Medical Benefits, Select Committee on Energy, Science and Technology and Ways and Means.
Doug Berger
Democrat, Franklin County

Seventh Senatorial District: Franklin, Granville, Vance and Warren counties

Professional Background
Attorney.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. Senate, 2005-present.

Committee Assignments
Co-Chair, Appropriations on Health and Human Services; Member, Appropriations/Base Budget, Commerce, Education/Higher Education, Health Care, Judiciary II and Select Committee on Economic Recovery.
Stan Bingham  
Republican, Davidson County

Thirty-Third Senatorial District: Davidson and Portions of Guilford counties

Early Years
Born in Clemmons, Forsyth County, on December 29, 1945, to the late Hal J. and Edna Walker Bingham.

Educational Background
Southwestern Forsyth High School, 1964; B.S. in Forestry, N.C. State University, 1968.

Professional Background
Founded Bingham Lumber Company and The Denton Orator (a weekly newspaper) and several other businesses in the Davidson County area.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. Senate, 2000-Present; Davidson County Commissioners, 1990-1994; Chairman of the Davidson County Board of Commissioners, 1994, Vice Chairman, 1992-1992.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic, or Community Service Organizations
Member, First Bank Board of Directors, 1988-Present; Board Member, Communities in School, 2002-Present; Board Member, United Way.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Joint Select Committee on Economic Growth & Development; Child Fatality Task Force; N.C. Public Health Task Force.

Honors and Awards
Myers/Huneycutt Award for Outstanding Citizenship, Thomasville Chamber of Commerce; Awarded for Public Service in 1997 by the Lexington Area Lions Club; Distinguished Citizen of the Year, N.C. District West Civitan International, 1996.

Personal Information
Married, Married Lora Faley Bingham. Four children.

Committee Assignments
Co-Chair, Health Care; Member, Agriculture/Environment/Natural Resources, Appropriations/Base Budget, Appropriations on Justice and Public Safety, Judiciary II, Pensions, Retirement and Aging, Rules and Operations of the Senate and Ways and Means.
Harris Blake
Republican, Moore County

Twenty-Second Senatorial District: Harnett and Moore counties

Early Years
Born in Pinehurst, Moore County on November 3, 1929, to Evander and Claudia Parker Blake.

Educational Background
West End High School, 1948; Elon University.

Professional Background
Business Owner & Developer, Pinehurst South Realty.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. Senate, 2002-Present; Associate Administrator, Farmers Home Administration (FMHA), U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1985-1986.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Moore County Board of Education; Former President, Sandhills Area Chamber of Commerce; North Carolina Food Bank.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Former Trustee, Moore Regional Hospital; Former Trustee, Sandhills Community College; Former Director, N.C. Housing Finance Agency.

Military Service

Personal Information
Married to Barbara Ruth Carter Blake (deceased). One child.

Committee Assignments
Member, Appropriations/Base Budget, Appropriations on Health and Human Services, Commerce, Finance, Health Care and State and Local Government.
Dan Blue, Jr.
Democrat, Wake County

(appointed May 19, 2009)

Fourteenth Senatorial District: Wake County

Early Years
Born in Lumberton, Robeson County on April 18, 1949, to Daniel Terry and Allene Morris Blue, Sr.

Educational Background

Professional Background
Attorney and Partner, Blue, Stephens & Fellers, LLP.

Political Activities

Elective or Appointed Boards and Commissions
Chair, Duke University Board of Trustees; Duke University Health System.

Personal Information

Committee Assignments
Chair, Select Committee on Employee Hospital and Medical Benefits; Member, Appropriations/Base Budget, Appropriations on Education/Higher Education, Commerce, Finance, Judiciary I, Rules and Operations of the Senate, Select Committee on Economic Recovery and Ways and Means.
Julia Boseman
Democrat, New Hanover County

Ninth Senatorial District: New Hanover County

Professional Background
Attorney.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. Senate, 2005-2010.

Committee Assignments
Co-Chair, Transportation; Vice Chair, Education/Higher Education; Vice-Chair, Appropriations on Education/Higher Education; Member, Appropriations/Base Budget, Finance, Judiciary II, Rules and Operations of the Senate, State and Local Government.
Andrew C. Brock
Republican, Davie County

Thirty-Fourth Senatorial District: Davie and Rowan counties

Professional Background
Consultant.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. Senate, 2003-Present.

Committee Assignments
Member, Agriculture/Environment/Natural Resources, Appropriations/Base Budget, Appropriations on General Government and Information Technology, Finance, Judiciary I, Rules and Operations of the Senate and Select Committee on Energy, Science and Technology.
Debbie Ann Clary
Republican, Cleveland County

Forty-Sixth Senatorial District: Cleveland and Rutherford counties

Early Years
Born in Shelby, Cleveland County on August 29, 1959, to Steven Bryant and Brenda Pruitt Clary.

Educational Background

Professional Background
Marketing/Internet, Millennium Marketing Group, Inc.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. Senate, 2009-Present; N.C. House of Representatives.

Honors and Awards
Law Enforcement Legislator of the Year; Home Care Hero; Dorthea Dix Award.

Committee Assignments
Member, Appropriations/Base Budget, Appropriations on Health and Human Services, Commerce, Health Care, Judiciary I, Rules and Operations of the Senate and Select Committee on Energy, Science and Technology.
Daniel G. Clodfelter  
Democrat, Mecklenburg County  

Thirty-Seventh Senatorial District: Portions of Mecklenburg County

Early Years  
Born in Thomasville, Davidson County on June 2, 1950, to Billy G. and Lorene Wells Clodfelter.

Educational Background  
Thomasville Senior High School, 1968; Bachelors, Davidson College, 1972; Bachelors, Oxford University, 1974; Law Degree, Yale Law School, 1977.

Professional Background  
Attorney, Moore & Van Allen, PLLC.

Political Activities  
Member, N.C. Senate, 1998-Present; Member, Charlotte City Council.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations  
Trustee, Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation, Inc.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions  
Governor's Commission on Modernization of State Finances; Tax Policy Commission; Co-Chair, Smart Growth Oversight Commission.

Honors and Awards  
1972 Rhodes Scholar.

Personal Information  
Married to Elizabeth K. Bevan. Two children.

Committee Assignments  
Co-Chair, Finance; Vice-Chair, Appropriations on Justice and Public Safety and Judiciary I; Member, Agriculture/Environment/Natural Resources, Appropriations/Base Budget, Pensions, Retirement and Aging, Rules and Operations of the Senate, Select Committee on Employee Hospital and Medical Benefits and Select Committee on Energy, Science and Technology.
Don Davis  
Democrat, Greene County  

Fifth Senatorial District: Greene and portions of Pitt and Wayne counties

Early Years
Born in Pilot Mountain, Surry County, on December 26, 1944, to Ralph and Viola Hall East.

Educational Background
BS in Social Sciences, U.S. Air Force Academy; Master of Science in Administration & Ed.D, Central Michigan University; Master of Arts in Sociology, East Carolina University.  

Professional Background
Educator.  

Political Activities
Member, N.C. Senate, 2009-Present.  

Personal Information
Married to Yuvonka Shawnte Batts.  

Military Service
U.S. Air Force.  

Committee Assignments
Vice-Chair, Agriculture/Environment/Natural Resources; Member, Appropriations on Education/Higher Education, Appropriations/Base Budget, Education/Higher Education, Health Care, Select Committee on Economic Recovery, Select Committee on Energy, Science and Technology, State and Local Government and Transportation.
Margaret Highsmith Dickson
Democrat, Cumberland County
(appointed January 21, 2010)

Nineteenth Senatorial District: Bladen and portions of Cumberland counties

Early Years
Born in Fayetteville, Cumberland County, on September 21, 1949, to Seavy, Jr. and Ann Dawson Highsmith.

Educational Background
Saint Mary’s School, Raleigh, 1967; B.A. English, UNC-Chapel Hill, 1971; graduate studies in communications, UNC-Chapel Hill.

Professional Background
Retired Broadcaster, Cape Fear Broadcasting Company.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. Senate, January 1, 2010-Present; N.C. House of Representatives, 2003-2010.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Board of Visitors, UNC-Chapel Hill; State Capitol Foundation Board; Cumberland County Education Foundation Board.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Courts Commission.

Honors and Awards

Personal Information
Married, John W. Dickson. Three children.

Committee Assignments
Vice-Chair, Commerce; Member, Appropriations/Base Budget, Appropriations on Education/Higher Education, Education/Higher Education, Finance, Judiciary I, Rules and Operations of the Senate and Transportation.
Don W. East  
Republican, Surry County

_Thirtieth Senatorial District: Alleghany, Stokes, Surry and Yadkin counties_

**Early Years**  
Born in Pilot Mountain, Surry County, on December 26, 1944, to Ralph and Viola Hall East.

**Educational Background**  

**Professional Background**  
Retired Police Officer, Small Farm Owner.

**Political Activities**  

**Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations**  
Arart Long Hill Ruritan Club.

**Elective or Appointed Boards and Commissions**  
Member, Surry County Board of Commissioners, 1984-1992.

**Personal Information**  

**Committee Assignments**  
Co-Chair, State and Local Government; Member, Appropriations on General Government and Information Technology, Appropriations/Base Budget, Finance, Pensions, Retirement and Aging and Transportation.
Anthony (Tony) E. Foriest
Democrat, Alamance County

Twenty-Fourth Senatorial District: Alamance and Caswell counties

Professional Background
Retired.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. Senate, 2007-Present.

Personal Information
Married to Clara Foriest.

Committee Assignments
Chair, Pensions, Retirement & Aging; Co-Chair, Appropriations on Education/Higher Education and Education/Higher Education; Vice-Chair, Health Care; Member, Appropriations/Base Budget, Commerce and Finance.
James S. Forrester, MD
Republican, Gaston County

Forty-First Senatorial District: Lincoln and Portions of Gaston and Iredell counties

Early Years
Born in Aberdeen, Scotland County, on January 8, 1937.

Educational Background

Professional Background
Physician.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. Senate, 1991-Present; County Commissioner, Gaston County, 1982-1990.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Medical Director, Brian Center Nursing Home & Century Care Nursing Home; Fellow, American Academy of Family Physicians.

Elective or Appointed Boards and Commissions
Governor’s Task Force for Healthy Carolinians; Justus Warren Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention Task Force.

Military Service
Brigadier General, N.C. Air National Guard, U.S. Air Force. Charles Dick Medal of Merit (NGAUS); Legion of Merit; Air Force Commendation Medal.

Honors and Awards

Personal Information
Married, Mary Frances All Forrester. Four children. Eight grandchildren.

Committee Assignments
Vice-Chair, Health Care; Member, Appropriations/Base Budget, Appropriations on Health and Human Services, Commerce, Education/Higher Education, Judiciary II, Mental Health and Youth Services, Rules and Operations of the Senate, Select Committee on Employee Hospital and Medical Benefits and Ways and Means.
Linda Garrou
Democrat, Forsyth County

_Thirty-Second Senatorial District: Portions of Forsyth County_

_Early Years_
Born in Atlanta, Georgia, on January 17, to Joe and Rubye Spears Dew.

_Educational Background_
Columbus High School, Columbus, GA., 1960; B.S., Secondary Education (History), University of Georgia, 1964; M.A.T. in History, UNC-Chapel Hill, 1967.

_Professional Background_
High School Teacher.

_Political Activities_
Member, N.C. Senate, 1999-Present.

_Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations_
Guardian Ad Litem (District Administrator, 1987-91; Regional Administrator, 1991-97); Big Brother-Big Sister; Forsyth County Juvenile Justice Council.

_Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions_
N.C. Railroad; VA/NC High-Speed Rail Commission; Sentencing and Parole Commission.

_Honors and Awards_
Ellen Winston Award for Service to Children in N.C.; Duke Power Citizenship and Service Award, 2005.

_Personal Information_
Married to John L.W. Garrou. Two children. Three grandchildren.

_Committee Assignments_
Co-Chair, Appropriations/Base Budget; Vice-Chair, Pensions, Retirement and Aging; Member, Commerce, Education/Higher Education, Finance and Select Committee on Employee Hospital and Medical Benefits.
Steve Goss
Democrat, Watauga County

Forty-Fifth Senatorial District: Alexander, Ashe, Watauga and Wilkes counties

Early Years
Born in Warrensville, Ashe County on November 7, 1949 to Leonard and Sibbie Barker Goss.

Educational Background

Political Activities
Member, N.C. Senate, 2007-Present.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Volunteer Coach, Middle School; Little League; Church Community Activities.

Honors and Awards
Charles Dick Award, National Guard Association; Legislator of the Year, National Committee for New River; Key to the County, Alexander County.

Personal Information
Married to Phyllis Johnson Goss. Two children. Five grandchildren.

Committee Assignments
Co-Chair, Appropriations on Department of Transportation; Vice-Chair, Transportation; Member, Appropriations/Base Budget, Commerce, Finance, Health Care and Ways and Means.
Malcolm Graham  
Democrat, Mecklenburg County  

Fortieth Senatorial District: Portions of Mecklenburg County

Educational Background
B.S., Johnson C. Smith University.

Professional Background
Business Consultant.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. Senate, 2005-present.

Personal Information
Married Kim Graham.

Committee Assignments
Co-Chair, Mental Health and Youth Services and Appropriations on Department of Transportation; Member, Appropriations/Base Budget, Commerce, Education/Higher Education, Health Care, Judiciary I and Transportation.
Fletcher Lee Hartsell, Jr.
Republican, Cabarrus County

Thirty-Sixth Senatorial District: Cabarrus and Portions of Iredell counties

Early Years
Born in Concord, Cabarrus County, on February 15, 1947, to Fletcher L. Hartsell, Sr. and Doris Wright Hartsell.

Educational Background

Professional Background
Attorney, Hartsell & Williams, PA.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. Senate, 1991-Present.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Cabarrus County Bar Association; N.C. Council of School Attorneys; National Association of Veterans' Advocates.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Board of Visitors, UNC-Chapel Hill; Public School Forum; N.C. Economic Development Board.

Military Service
First Lieutenant, U.S. Army.

Honors and Awards

Personal Information

Committee Assignments
Chair, Judiciary II; Vice-Chair, Finance; Member, Agriculture/Environment/Natural Resources, Appropriations/Base Budget, Appropriations on Education/Higher Education, Education/Higher Education, Health Care, Rules and Operations of the Senate, Select Committee on Economic Recovery, Select Committee on Energy, Science and Technology, State and Local Government and Ways and Means.
David William Hoyle  
Democrat, Gaston County

Forty-Third Senatorial District: Portions of Gaston County

Early Years
Born in Gastonia on February 4, 1939, to William Atkin and Ethel Brown Hoyle.

Educational Background

Professional Background

Political Activities
Member, N.C. Senate, 1992-Present; Former Chairman, Gaston County Democratic Party; Mayor, Town of Dallas, 1967-71.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Chair, Board of Directors, Citizens South Bank; Board of Directors, The Shaw Group, Baton Rouge, LA; N.C. Board of Transportation, 1977-1984.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Former Board Member, Heart Society, Chamber of Commerce, Schiele Museum.

Honors and Awards

Personal Information
Married to Linda Summey Hoyle. Two children. Three grandchildren.

Committee Assignments
Chair, Rules and Operations of the Senate; Vice-Chair, Commerce; Member, Appropriations on General Government and Information Technology, Appropriations/Base Budget, Education/Higher Education, Finance, Health Care, Judiciary I, Transportation, Select Committee on Employee Hospital and Medical Benefits and Ways and Means.
Jimmy Ray Jacumin
Republican, Burke County

*Forty-Fourth Senatorial District: Burke and Caldwell counties*

**Early Years**
Born in Rutherford College, Burke County, on November 15, 1936, to Martin Emile and Mamie Mull Jacumin.

**Educational Background**

**Professional Background**
Professional Engineer, retired.

**Political Activities**

**Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations**
Professional Engineers of North Carolina; President, Waldensian Trail of Faith; Gideons International.

**Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions**
N.C. Parks and Recreation, 2002-2005; Western North Carolina Energy Board.

**Honors and Awards**

**Personal Information**
Married to Nancy Nell Simpson Jacumin. Two children. Four grandchildren.

**Committee Assignments**
Member, Appropriations/Base Budget, Appropriations on Natural and Economic Resources, Commerce, Health Care, Judiciary II and Mental Health/Youth Services.
S. Clark Jenkins
Democrat, Edgecombe County

Third Senatorial District: Edgecombe, Martin and Portions of Pitt counties

Early Years
Born in Tarboro, Edgecombe County, on April 28, 1948, to Francis P. and Virginia Clark Jenkins.

Educational Background
Blue Ridge School, Dyke VA, 1966; B.A., Campbell University, 1971.

Professional Background
Owner, W. S. Clark Farms.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. Senate, 2002-Present.

Military Service

Personal Information
Married to Mary Jane Pierce Jenkins. Four children. Two grandchildren.

Committee Assignments
Co-Chair, Finance; Vice-Chair, Transportation; Member, Appropriations on Department of Transportation, Appropriations/Base Budget, Commerce, Judiciary I and Pensions, Retirement and Aging.
W. Edward (Ed) Jones
Democrat, Halifax County

Fourth Senatorial District: Bertie, Chowan, Gates, Halifax, Hertford, Northampton and Perquimans counties

Professional Background
Retired, State Trooper.

Political Activities

Military Service

Personal Information
Married to Mary Jones.

Committee Assignments
Co-Chair, State and Local Government; Vice-Chair, Judiciary II; Member, Appropriations on Justice and Public Safety, Appropriations/Base Budget, Education/Higher Education, Mental Health & Youth Services, Rules and Operations of the Senate and Ways and Means.
Eleanor Gates Kinnaird
Democrat, Orange County

Twenty-Third Senatorial District: Orange and Person counties

Early Years
Born November 14, 1931, in Rochester, Minnesota, to Judge Vernon and Madge Pollock Gates.

Educational Background

Professional Background

Political Activities
Member, N.C. Senate, 1997-Present; Mayor, Town of Carrboro, 1987-95.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
NAACP; League of Women Voters.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Environmental Review Commission; Co-Chair, Joint Legislative Commission on Children and Youth; Sentencing Services Commission; Energy Policy Commission.

Honors and Awards
Outstanding Legislator, Advocates of Justice, 2009; Faith Active in Public Life Award, N.C. Council of Churches, 2003; Gwyneth B. Davis Award, N.C. Association of Women Attorneys, 2002; Outstanding Legislator of the Year, N.C. Academy of Trial Lawyers, 2000.

Personal Information
Three children. Three grandchildren.

Committee Assignments
Co-Chair, Appropriations on Justice and Public Safety and Mental Health and Youth Services; Vice-Chair, Agriculture/Environment/Natural Resources; Member, Appropriations/Base Budget, Finance, Health Care, Judiciary I, Rules and Operations of the Senate and Select Committee on Economic Recovery.
Vernon Malone  
Democrat, Wake County  
(deceased April 18, 2009)  

Fourteenth Senatorial District: Portions of Wake County  

Early Years  
Born December 20, 1931.  

Professional Background  
Retired.  

Political Activities  
Member, N.C. Senate, 2003-2009.  

Committee Assignments  
Senior Chair, Appropriations on Education/Public Instruction and Education/Public Instruction; Vice-Chair, Joint Select Committee on Emergency Preparedness and Disaster Management Recovery; Member, Appropriations/Base Budget, Commerce, Small Business and Entrepreneurship, Education/Higher Education, Health Care, Judiciary I (Civil), Pensions, Retirement and Aging, State and Local Government, Ways and Means and Joint Select Committee on Economic Development Incentives.
Floyd B. McKissick, Jr.
Democrat, Durham County

Twentieth Senatorial District: Portions of Durham County

Professional Background
Attorney.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. Senate, 2007-Present.

Committee Assignments
Co-Chair, Appropriations on Natural and Economic Resources; Vice-Chair, Commerce; Member, Appropriations/Base Budget, Education/Higher Education, Finance, Judiciary I, Select Committee on Economic Recovery, State and Local Government and Transportation.
Jean Rouse Preston
Republican, Carteret County

Second Senatorial District: Carteret, Craven and Pamlico counties

Early Years
Born in Snow Hill, Greene County, to Marvin Wayne and Emma Mae Kearney Rouse.

Educational Background

Professional Background
Retired, Educator.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. Senate, 2007-Present; N.C. Senate Republican Policy Committee Chairman, 2007-Present; Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 1993-2006.

Honors and Awards
2007 One Hundred Incredible East Carolina University Women; 2005 Covenant with N.C. Children Award; 1993 N.C. Association of Fisheries Award.

Committee Assignments
William Robert Purcell, MD
Democrat, Scotland County

Twentieth Senatorial District: Anson, Richmond, Scotland and Stanly counties

Early Years
Born in Laurinburg, Scotland County, on February 12, 1931, to Charles Augustus Purcell and Anna Meta Buchanan Purcell.

Educational Background
Laurinburg High School, 1949; B.S. in Pre-Med, Davidson College, 1952; M.D., UNC School of Medicine, UNC-Chapel Hill, 1956.

Professional Background
Pediatrician, 1961-97 (retired).

Political Activities
Member, N.C. Senate, 1997-Present; Mayor, City of Laurinburg, 1987-97; Member, Laurinburg City Council, 1981-87.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Past President, Laurinburg-Scotland County Area Chamber of Commerce; Past Co-Chair, Scotland County School Board Referendum Committee; Past President, Laurinburg Rotary Club.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Member, Board of Trustees, St. Andrews Presbyterian College, 1999-Present; Past Member, Laurinburg-Maxton Airport Commission.

Military Service
Captain, 57th Field Hospital, U.S. Army Medical Corps, 1957-59; Reserves, 1959-61.

Honors and Awards
Dr. Nathan Davis Award, American Medical Association, 2007; Legacy Award for Public Health, NC, 2006; Distinguished Alumni Service Award, UNC School of Medicine, 1998.

Personal Information
Married, Kathleen McClellan Purcell. Four children. Eight grandchildren.

Committee Assignments
Co-Chair, Appropriations on Health and Human Services and Health Care; Member, Appropriations/Base Budget, Commerce, Education/Higher Education, Finance, Pensions, Retirement and Aging and Select Committee on Employee Hospital and Medical Benefits.
Joe Sam Queen
Democrat, Haywood County

Forty-Seventh Senatorial District: Avery, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Yancey and Portions of Haywood counties

Early Years
Born in Waynesville, on June 18, 1950, to Sam Love and Mary Moody Queen.

Educational Background

Professional Background
Architect; Joe Sam Queen, AIA.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. Senate, 2002-2004 and 2006-Present.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Past Member, N.C. Citizens for Business and Industry; Past Member, Appalachian Trail Conservancy; Past Director, Daniel Boone Council of Boy Scouts of America.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Past President, Haywood County Arts Council; Past Director, Haywood Regional Medical Center Foundation; Past Director, Western North Carolina Tomorrow.

Honors and Awards
Charles Dick Medal of Merit, Exemplary Service to the National Guard, 2008; Legislator of the Year, N.C. Business Incubator Society; N.C. Legislative Advocate Award for Mountain Micro Loan Enterprises; N.C. REAL Advocate of the Year, Rural Entrepreneurial Education.

Personal Information
Married, Dr. Kate Queen. Two children.

Committee Assignments
Co-Chair, Appropriations on Natural and Economic Resources and Select Committee on Energy, Science and Technology; Vice-Chair, Education/Higher Education; Member, Appropriations/Base Budget, Finance, Health Care, Judiciary II, Pensions, Retirement and Aging and State and Local Government.
David Cheston Rouzer  
Republican, Johnston County

Twelfth Senatorial District: Johnston and Portions of Wayne counties

Early Years
Born in Landstuhl Army Medical Center, Germany, on February 16, 1972, to Charles and Jennifer Johnson Rouzer.

Educational Background

Professional Background
Business Consultant and Entrepreneur. The Rouzer Co. and R & C Distributors, LLC.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. Senate, 2009-Present.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Clayton Mid-Day Rotary; Smithfield-Selma Chamber of Commerce; Clayton Chamber of Commerce.

Honors and Awards
Tobacco Great Award, N.C. State University, 2004; Gamma Sigma Delta, N.C. State University, 2001; President’s Award, N.C. Farm Bureau, 1999.

Committee Assignments
Bob Rucho  
**Republican, Mecklenburg County**

*Thirty-Ninth Senatorial District: Portions of Mecklenburg County*

**Early Years**  
Born in Worcester, Massachusetts, on Dec. 8, 1948, to Thomas and Ernestine Tanca Rucho.

**Educational Background**  
South High School, Worcester, Massachusetts; B.A. in Biology, Northeastern University; D.D.S, MCV VCU School of Dentistry; Cert. Prosthodontics, Boston University; M.B.A., Belk College of Business, UNC-Charlotte.

**Professional Background**  
Dentist, Specialty Prosthodontist.

**Political Activities**  
Member, N.C. Senate, 2009-Present; Former N.C. Senator; Former Member, Mecklenburg County Commission; Former Member, Matthews Town Board.

**Personal Information**  
Married, Theresa Fritscher Rucho. Two children.

**Committee Assignments**  
Member, Appropriations on Department of Transportation, Appropriations/Base Budget, Commerce, Education/Higher Education, Finance and Health Care.
Larry Shaw
Democrat, Cumberland County

Twenty-First Senatorial District: Portions of Cumberland County

*Early Years*
Born in High Point, Guilford County, on June 15, 1949, to Dorffus and Odessa Craig Shaw.

*Educational Background*

*Professional Background*
Chairman, Shaw Food Services Company, Inc.

*Political Activities*
Member, N.C. Senate, 1997-Present; Member, N.C. House, 1995-96.

*Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations*
Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.; American Association of Minority Contractors; National Business League, Fayetteville Chapter.

*Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions*
Cumberland County Finance Authority Board; N.C. Small Business Advocacy Council.

*Honors and Awards*

*Personal Information*
Married, Evelyn Oliver Shaw. Two children.

*Committee Assignments*
Co-Chair, Transportation; Vice-Chair, Finance; Member, Appropriations/Base Budget, Appropriations on Department of Transportation, Commerce and Mental Health & Youth Services.
John J. Snow, Jr.
Democrat, Cherokee County

Fiftieth Senatorial District: Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Jackson, Macon, Swain and Transylvania and Portions of Haywood counties

Early Years
Born in Asheville, Buncombe County, on October 24, 1945, to John Joyner and Dorothy Nix Snow Sr.

Educational Background

Professional Background
Retired District Court Judge.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. Senate, 2005-Present; District Court Judge, 1976-86; Chief District Court Judge, 1986-2004.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Governor’s Crime Commission.

Military Service
First Lieutenant, U.S. Army, Adjutant General; ROTC Commission.

Personal Information
Married to Sheila Gossett Snow. Four children. Four grandchildren.

Committee Assignments
Co-Chair, Appropriations on Justice and Public Safety; Member, Appropriations/Base Budget, Agriculture/Environment/Natural Resources, Education/Higher Education, Judiciary II, Mental Health & Youth Services and Transportation.
Josh Stein  
Democrat, Wake County

Sixteenth Senatorial District: Portions of Wake County

Early Years
Born in Washington, D.C., on September 13, 1966, to Adam and Jane Stoneman Stein.

Educational Background

Professional Background
Attorney.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. Senate, 2009-Present.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Wake County Bar Association; Temple Beth Or; Board Member, Downtown Raleigh Alliance.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
N.C. Health Information Exchange; Innovation Council; School Technology Commission.

Military Service
Lieutenant, U.S. Army, Adjutant General; ROTC Commission.

Honors and Awards
Outstanding Legislator of the Year Award, AARP of North Carolina, 2009; Legislator of the Year Award, North Carolina Sustainable Energy Association, 2009; Legislative Award, North Carolina Metropolitan Mayors Coalition, 2009.

Personal Information
Married to Anna Harris Stein. Three children.

Committee Assignments
Vice-Chair, Judiciary I; Member, Appropriations/Base Budget, Appropriations on Department of Transportation, Commerce, Education/Higher Education, Finance, Health Care, Select Committee on Economic Recovery and Select Committee on Energy, Science and Technology.
Richard Yates Stevens
Republican, Wake County

Seventeenth Senatorial District: Portions of Wake County

Early Years
Born in Raleigh, Wake County, on December 12, 1948, to Floyd L. and Luna Yates Stevens.

Educational Background

Professional Background
Management Consultant.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. Senate, 2003-Present.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Board of Directors, Cary Academy.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Chair, UNC-Chapel Hill, Board of Trustees, 1997-99; Chair, UNC-Chapel Hill, Alumni Association, 2000-2001; President, N.C. City/County Management Association, 1999-2000.

Honors and Awards
National Public Service Award, ASPA & NAPA, 2000; Distinguished Service Medal, UNC Alumni Association, 1994; Program Excellence for Innovation, ICMA, 1998.

Personal Information
Married Jere Gilmore Stevens. Two children.

Committee Assignments
Co-Chair, Appropriations on Education/Higher Education and Education/Higher Education; Member, Appropriations/Base Budget, Commerce, Finance, Judiciary I, Pensions, Retirement and Aging, Rules and Operations of the Senate, Select Committee on Employee Hospital and Medical Benefits, Select Committee on Energy, Science and Technology, State and Local Government and Transportation.
Albin B. (A.B.) Swindell, IV
Democrat, Nash County

Eleventh Senatorial District: Nash and Wilson counties

Early Years
Born in Lumberton, Robeson County, on October 14, 1945, to Russell and Martha Easterling Swindell.

Educational Background

Professional Background
Business Consultant.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. Senate, 2001-Present; Oxford City Council, 1981-85.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Board of Trustees, Peace College; Board of Trustees, N.C. Operation Lifesaver (NCOL).

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Chair, Joint Legislative Study on Public School Funding Formulas; Chair, Commission on Aging; Vice-Chair, Joint Legislative Joining our Businesses & Schools (JOBS) Study Commission.

Military Service

Honors and Awards
Razor Walker Award, UNC Wilmington, Distinguished Service to People of North Carolina, 2010; Most Valuable Senator, N.C. Assisted Living Association, 2005; State Official of the Year, N.C. Home Builders Association, 2003.

Personal Information
Married, Diane Ludlum Swindell. Three children. Two grandchildren.

Committee Assignments
Co-Chair, Appropriations/Base Budget; Member, Commerce, Education/Higher Education; Finance, Judiciary II, Pensions, Retirement and Aging, Rules and Operations of the Senate, Select Committee on Energy Science and Technology, Transportation and Ways and Means.
Don Vaughan
Democrat, Guilford County

Twenty-seventh Senatorial District: Portions of Guilford County

Educational Background
B.A., UNC-Chapel Hill, Masters Degree, Public Administration; J.D., Wake Forest University.

Professional Background
Attorney and Counselor of Law.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. Senate, 2009-Present.

Personal Information
Married, Nancy Vaughan.

Committee Assignments
Vice-Chair, Judiciary II; Member, Appropriations/Base Budget, Appropriations on Education/Higher Education, Commerce, Select Committee on Economic Recovery, Select Committee on Energy, Science and Technology and Transportation.
Michael P. Walters
Democrat, Robeson County

(appointed November 3, 2009)

Thirteenth Senatorial District: Hoke and Robeson counties

Early Years
Born in Dillon, S.C., on July 16, 1956, to Leroyce Claybourn and Peggy Page Walters.

Educational Background
Orrum High School, 1974; B.S., Agricultural Education, N.C. State University, 1978.

Professional Background
President, Claybourn Walters Logging Co., Inc.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. Senate, November 3, 2009-Present.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Board of Directors, United Way of Robeson County; Board of Directors, Lumberton Area Chamber of Commerce; Rotary Club, Lumberton, N.C.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Board of Trustees, Southeastern Regional Medical Center; Board of Directors, N.C. State University; Chair, Board of Directors, Forestry Mutual Insurance Company.

Personal Information
Married, Barbara Morgan Walters. Three children. Two grandchildren.

Committee Assignments
Vice-Chair, Agriculture/Environment/Natural Resources; Member, Appropriations/Base Budget, Appropriations on Natural and Economic Resources, Finance, State and Local Government, Transportation and Select Committee on Energy, Science and Technology.
David Franklin Weinstein  
Democrat, Robeson County

(resigned September 30, 2009)

Thirteenth Senatorial District: Hoke and Robeson counties

Early Years
Born in Charlotte, Mecklenburg County, on June 17, 1936, to Max Morton and Evelyn Lebo Weinstein.

Educational Background
Lumberton Senior High School, Lumberton, 1954; Agronomy, N.C. State University, 1958.

Professional Background
Retired Merchant.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. Senate, 1997-2009; Mayor, City of Lumberton, 1987-91.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Rotary Club.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Board of Trustees, UNC at Pembroke; Board of Trustees, Wesley Pines Retirement Home.

Military Service
Captain, 108th Infantry Division, U.S. Army, 1959-60; Reserves, 1960-66. Good Conduct Award and Marksman Award.

Personal Information
Two children. Two grandchildren.

Committee Assignments
Chair, Appropriations on Natural and Economic Resources; Vice-Chair, Agriculture/Environment/Natural Resources and Ways and Means; Member, Appropriations/Base Budget, Finance, Rules and Operations of the Senate and Transportation.
Janet B. Pruitt
Principal Clerk, N.C. Senate

**Early Years**
Born in Nash County, on March 27, 1944, to James R. (deceased) and Marie Joyner (deceased) Bryant.

**Educational Background**
Spring Hope High School, 1962; Business, East Carolina University, 1962-64.

**Professional Background**
Principal Clerk, N.C. Senate, 1997-Present; Supervisor of Senate Clerks, 1988-96; Committee Clerk, 1981-88; Personnel Analyst, Social Services Division, Department of Human Resources, 1966-73.

**Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations**
American Society of Legislative Clerks and Secretaries; Former Member, Business and Professional Women.

**Personal Information**
Two children.
Cecil R. Goins
Sergeant at Arms, N.C. Senate

Early Years

Educational Background
West Southern Pines High, 1944; B.S., Business Administration, N.C. A&T State University, 1950; Completed several military schools including The Command and General Staff School.

Professional Background
Sergeant at Arms, N. C. Senate; Private Investigator and Owner, Alpha Investigative Services; Retired Deputy U.S. Marshal, Inspector and Criminal Investigator, U.S. Marshals Service (25 years); Assistant Business Manager, Shaw University.

Political Activities
Chair, Precinct #20, Raleigh; Political Action Committee, RWCA.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Member, National Legislative Services and Security Association; Retired U.S. Marshals Association; Life Member, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., Sigma Pi Phi Fraternity, Life Member, NAACP.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Raleigh Civil Service Commission; N.C. Private Protective Service Board; Board of Directors, Meadowbrook Country Club.

Military Service
Enlisted, 2 years, Far East and Japan; M/Sgt., Europe and Germany; (Commission) Five years active duty, 10 years reserve duty (Major).

Personal Information
Married, LaVerne C. Goins. Two children.
Michael Wade Morris
Chaplain, N.C. Senate

Early Years
Born in High Point, Guilford County, to Albert Wade and Evelyn Faye Burrows Morris.

Educational Background
Wade Hampton, Greenville, S.C.; B.A. in Religion, Gardner Webb College; Masters of Divinity, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Professional Background
Associate Pastor, First Baptist Church, Raleigh.

Political Activities
Chaplain, N.C. Senate.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Kiwanis Club of High Point; Board, High Point Salvation Army; Habitat for Humanity.

Personal Information
Married, Noel LeGette. One child.
2009-2010 N.C. House of Representatives

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6 Rosa U. Gill was appointed 6/18/2009.
7 Bruce Goforth resigned 7/31/2010.
8 Ty Harrell resigned 9/20/2009.
9 Chris Heagarty was appointed 10/30/2009.
10 Frank Iler was appointed 6/18/2009.
11 Dan W. Ingle was appointed 6/12/2009.
12 Darren G. Jackson was appointed 1/26/2009.
13 John May was appointed 4/21/2010.
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Joe Hackney
Speaker of the House

Democrat, Orange County
Fifty-Fourth Representative District: Chatham and Portions of Moore and Orange counties

Early Years
Born in Siler City, Chatham County, on September 23, 1945, to Herbert Harold and Ida Lillian Dorsett Hackney.

Educational Background

Professional Background
Attorney and Partner, Firm of Epting & Hackney. Research Assistant, N.C. Supreme Court.

Political Activities

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Orange County Bar Association; N.C. Bar Association; N.C. Advocates for Justice.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
President, National Conference of State Legislatures, 2008-2009; President, Foundation for State Legislatures, 2009-2010; Board Member, State Legislative Lenders Foundation; Former Board Member, Joint Orange-Chatham Community Action, Inc.

Honors and Awards

Personal Information
Married, Betsy Strandberg Hackney. Two children.

Committee Assignments
The Speaker of the House appoints all committee chairs and members.
William L. Wainwright  
Speaker Pro Tempore of the House  

Democrat, Craven County  
Twelfth Representative District: Portions of Craven and Lenoir counties  

Early Years  
Born in Somerville, Tennessee, on October 19, 1947, to James and Daisy Wainwright.  

Educational Background  

Professional Background  
Minister; Presiding Elder, New Bern District Conference, AME Zion Church.  

Political Activities  

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations  
Carteret County Head Start Program (Program Policy, Chair); Craven County Board of Aging; Craven County Voters League.  

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions  
Publishing House Board, A.M.E. Zion Church, 1992-Present; UNC-Chapel Hill Board of Visitors -- Institute of Marine Science; N.C. Council of Churches.  

Honors and Awards  
Outstanding Member, Board of Directors, Carteret Community Action; Head Start Program, Inc.  

Committee Assignments  
Chair, Finance; Vice-Chair, Marine Resources and Aquaculture; Member, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on Capital, Financial Institutions, Health and Pender/New Hanover Redistricting.
Hugh L. Holliman
House Majority Leader

Democrat, Davidson County
Eighty-First Representative District: Portions of Davidson County

Early Years
Born in Burlington, Alamance County, on April 28, 1944, to Ivory Hugh and Retha Lindsey Holliman.

Educational Background
Graham High School, 1962; Business Administration, Elon University, 1966.

Professional Background
Self-employed. Speed Printing.

Political Activities

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Lexington Kiwanis Club; Communities in Schools, Thomasville, N.C.

Committee Assignments
Chair, Financial Institutions; Vice-Chair, Finance; Member, Appropriations; Appropriations Subcommittee on Capital, Insurance, Pender/New Hanover Redistricting, Public Utilities and Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.
Paul B. Stam  
House Minority Leader

Republican, Wake County  
Thirty-Seventh Representative District: Portions of Wake County

Early Years  
Born in Princeton, N.J., on September 5, 1950, to Paul Bowman and Jane Levring Stam.

Educational Background  

Professional Background  
Attorney, Stam & Danchi, PLLC.

Political Activities  

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations  
Apex Chamber of Commerce; Holly Springs Chamber of Commerce; Fuquay-Varina Chamber of Commerce.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions  

Military Service  

Personal Information  
Married, Dorothy Mills Stam. Two children. Five grandchildren.

Committee Assignments  
Vice-Chair, Judiciary I and Local Government II; Member, Education, Education Subcommittee on Pre-School, Elementary and Secondary Education; Election Law and Campaign Finance Reform, Finance and Pender/New Hanover Redistricting.
Larry Moseley Bell
House Majority Whip

Democrat, Sampson County
Twenty-First Representative District: Portions of Sampson and Wayne counties

Early Years
Born in Faison, Sampson County, on August 18, 1939, to Johnny Moseley and Fannie Mae Boone Bell.

Education

Professional Background
Retired School Superintendent.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2001-Present; N.C. House Majority Whip, 2005-Present; Sampson County Commissioner/Superintendent of Schools; Community College Trustee.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service
Chairman, Division of Superintendents, NCASA; Sampson County Voters League; Chairman, Board of Trustees, Kenansville Eastern M. Baptist Association.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Chairman, Region M. Council of Government; Member Joint Forum, League of Municipalities, County Commissioners; Chairman, Clinton/Sampson Human Relations Board.

Honors and Awards
Legislature of the Year Award, N.C. Physical Education Arts and Recreation Department, 2003; Elected to the Sampson County Hall of Fame, 2001; N.C. Librarians Association Administrator of the Year, 1993.

Personal Information
One child. Two grandchildren.

Committee Assignments
Chair, Education: Vice-Chair, Agriculture, Appropriations Subcommittee on Education and Pensions and Retirement; Member, Alcoholic Beverage Control, Appropriations, Ethics, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and University of Governors Nominating.
Jean Farmer-Butterfield
House Majority Whip

Democrat, Wilson County
Twenty-Fourth Representative District: Portions of Edgecombe and Wilson counties

Early Years
Born in Wilson, Wilson County, on October 21, to Floyd and Odell Sharp Farmer.

Education

Professional Background
Director of LIFeguardianship, Arc of N.C.; JFB and Associates Consulting Firm.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2003-Present; N.C. House Majority Whip, 2007-2008; Served on the State Executive Committee of the Democratic Party; Democratic Women of Wilson County; Former Special Registrar for Wilson County Board of Elections.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority; Links Incorporated; Founder, N.C. Guardianship Association; Member, National Guardianship Association Board.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
State Executive Committee, N.C. Democratic Party; Legislative Research Commission on Guardianship; NC-ICC for Children; UNC Institute on Aging Advisory Council.

Honors and Awards
Outstanding/Distinguished Service Leadership Award, The Links, 1990; Jackson Chapel Missionary Baptist Church, Pastor’s Medal of Appreciation, 1998; N.C. Guardianship Presidential and Founder’s Award, 2000; Outstanding/Distinguished Legislator’s Award, TASH, 2003; Legislator of the Year Award, The Arc of N.C., 2004.

Personal Information
Two children.

Committee Assignments
Chair, Aging; Vice-Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Member, Appropriations, Commerce, Small Business, and Entrepreneurship; Ethics, Health, Mental Health Reform and Pensions and Retirement.
Daniel Bruce Goforth  
House Majority Whip

(resigned July 31, 2010)

Democrat, Buncombe County  
One Hundred-Fifteenth Representative District: Portions of Buncombe County

Early Years  
Born in Asheville, Buncombe County, on March 29, 1942, to Frank Harrison and Paralee Morrow Goforth.

Educational Background  
Reynolds High School, Asheville, 1960; Gardner-Webb University and University of South Alabama.

Professional Background  
President, Goforth Builders, Inc.

Political Activities  
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2003-2010.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations  
President, Home Builders Association of Greater Asheville, 2002; Member, Greater Asheville Chamber of Commerce; Board Member, Reynolds Volunteer Fire Department.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions  

Honors and Awards  
2006 Legislator of the Year, N.C. Housing Coalition; 2002 Builder of the Year, Home Builders Association of Greater Asheville; 1983-1984 Lion of the Year, Reynolds Lions Club.

Personal Information  
Married, Joyce Ingle Goforth. Two children. Five grandchildren.

Committee Assignments  
Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on Capital and Insurance; Vice-Chair, Appropriations and Commerce, Small Business, and Entrepreneurship; Member, Health, Public Utilities and Water Resources and Infrastructure.
Larry D. Hall
House Majority Whip

Democrat, Durham County
Twenty-Ninth Representative District: Portions of Durham County.

Early Years
Born in Durham, Durham County, on September 18, 1955.

Educational Background

Professional Background
Attorney. Hall Law Offices.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2006-Present; N.C. House Democratic Freshman Chair, 2007-2008.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
N.C. State Bar Association; Marine Corp League; Durham Companions Youth Mentor Program.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Board of Directors, Legal Services, Durham County; Durham Chamber of Commerce; Durham MWBE Advisory Committee.

Military Service

Honors and Awards
Navy Achievement Medal, U.S. Marine Corps, 1985; Service Award, N.C. Black Leadership Caucus, 2004; President’s Award, Durham NAACP, 1996.

Committee Assignments
Chair, Homeland Security, Military, and Veterans Affairs; Vice-Chair, Financial Institutions; Member, Education, Education Subcommittee on Universities, Finance, Judiciary I and Science and Technology.
Deborah K. Ross
House Majority Whip

Democrat, Wake County
Thirty-Eighth Representative District: Portions of Wake County

Early Years
Born in Philadelphia, PA, on June 20, 1963, to Marvin and Barbara Klein Koff.

Educational Background

Professional Background
Law Faculty of Counsel, Duke University; Styers & Kererait.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2003-Present; N.C. House Majority Whip.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Women’s Forum of North Carolina; League of Women Voters; Wake County Bar Association, Lunch with a Lawyer Volunteer.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Committee on Urban Growth & Infrastructure; General Statutes Commission; Capital Planning Commission.

Honors and Awards
2009 Legislator of the Year, N.C. Housing Coalition; 2009 Ruth Coltrane Cannon Award for Historic Preservation; 2009 Wake Up Wake County Award for Transit.

Personal Information
Married Stephen Wrinn.

Committee Assignments
Chair, Ethics and Judiciary I; Vice-Chair, Election Law and Campaign Finance Reform and Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House; Member, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on Capital, Education, Education Subcommittee on Universities, Finance and Pensions and Retirement.
Jane Whilden
Democratic Freshman Leader

Democrat, Buncombe County
One Hundred-Sixteenth Representative District: Portions of Buncombe County

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2009-Present.

Committee Assignments
Vice-Chair, Juvenile Justice; Member, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government, Education, Education Subcommittee on Pre-School, Elementary and Secondary Education, Energy and Energy Efficiency and Transportation.
Kelly M. Alexander, Jr.
Democratic Freshman Leader

Democrat, Mecklenburg County
One Hundred-Seventh Representative District: Portions of Mecklenburg County

Education
M.P.A., Public Administration, UNC, Chapel Hill; B.S., Political Science, UNC, Chapel Hill.

Professional Background
Manager, Alexander Funeral Home; Former College Teacher, UNC-Charlotte; Former High School Teacher.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2008-Present.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Member, Z. Smith Reynolds Advisory Board; 32nd Degree Mason, Prince Hall Affiliation, Freemasons of N.C.; Cofounder, Project Uplift, UNC, Chapel Hill.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Member, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Planning Commission; Chair, New Brooklyn Initiative; Member, N.C. Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission; Member, Schools Building Solutions Committee.

Committee Assignments
Vice-Chair, Water Resources and Infrastructure; Member, Energy and Energy Efficiency, Environment and Natural Resources, Finance, Juvenile Justice, Public Utilities and Ways and Means/Broadband Connectivity.
Elmer Floyd  
Democratic Freshman Secretary  

Democrat, Cumberland County  

Forty-Third Representative District: Portions of Cumberland County  

Committee Assignments  
Vice-Chair, Homeland Security, Military, and Veterans Affairs;  
Member, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on  
General Government, Commerce, Small Business and Entrepreneurship, Education  
Subcommittee on Community Colleges, Environment and Natural Resources and  
Local Government II.
Thom Tillis
House Minority Whip
Republican, Mecklenburg County

Ninety-Eighth Representative District: Portions of Mecklenburg County.

Early Years
Born on August 30, 1960.

Professional Background
Management Consultant.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2007-Present.

Personal Information
Married to Susan Tillis.

Committee Assignments
Vice-Chair, Ways and Means/Broadband Connectivity; Member, Education, Education Subcommittee on Universities, Finance, Financial Institutions, Judiciary III, Local Government I, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and Science and Technology.
Carolyn H. Justice  
Deputy Republican Whip  
Republican, Pender County  

Sixteenth Representative District: Portions of New Hanover and Pender counties

Early Years  
Born in Wilmington, New Hanover County, on May 13, 1946.

Educational Background  
Wakefield High School, Arlington, VA; Cape Fear Community College.

Professional Background  
Owner, Business Management. Hampstead Office Service.

Political Activities  

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations  
Sunday School Teacher, Hampstead United Methodist Church; Founder/Coordinator, Concerts in the Park, Hampstead Village Merchants Association; Member, Hampstead Lions Club.

Honors and Awards  
Legislator of the Year, North Carolina Association of Health Directors, 2003; Brown Pelican Award, Coastal Federation, 2003; North Carolina Intergovernmental Relations Award, 2001.

Personal Information  
Married, William Thomas Justice. Two children.

Committee Assignments  
Vice-Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on Natural and Economic Resources and Environment and Natural Resources; Member, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on Natural and Economic Resources, Election Law and Campaign Finance Reform, Ethics, Marine Resources and Aquaculture, Pender/New Hanover Redistricting, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and Water Resources and Infrastructure.
Fred F. Steen, II  
Deputy Republican Whip

Republican, Rowan County

Seventy-Sixth Representative District: Portions of Rowan County

Early Years
Born in Concord, Cabarrus County, on June 19, 1960, to Fred Franklin, Sr. and Bettye Huffman Steen.

Educational Background
Northwest Cabarrus High, 1978; B.A. in Business Administration, UNC-Charlotte.

Professional Background
Consultant.

Political Activities

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Rotary International, Kannapolis; Landis Lions Club; Board Member, American Red Cross, Elizabeth Dole Chapter.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Chair and Vice-Chair, Cabarrus-Rowan MPO, 1997-2004.

Personal Information
Married, Tena Yow Steen. Two children. One grandchild.

Committee Assignments
Vice-Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government and Wildlife Resources; Member, Agriculture, Alcoholic Beverage Control, Appropriations, Commerce, Small Business, and Entrepreneurship, Local Government I, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and Transportation.
Nelson Dollar
Deputy Republican Whip

Republican, Wake County
Thirty-Sixth Representative District: Portions of Wake County

Early Years
Born in Burlington, N.C., Alamance County to James and Ruby K. Dollar.

Educational Background

Professional Background

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2005-Present.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Boy Scouts of America, 36 year volunteer; Former Board Member, Camp Oak Hill; Retreat Leader, C.L.U.B. Ministries.

Honors and Awards
Public Policy Leadership Award, NCDA, 2008.

Personal Information
Married, Lorrie L. Dollar. One child.

Committee Assignments
Vice-Chair, Education Subcommittee on Universities; Member, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, Education, Health, Transportation and University Board of Governors Nominating.
Justin Phillip Burr  
Republican Freshman Leader

Republican, Stanly County

Sixty-Seventh Representative District: Portions of Montgomery, Stanly and Union Counties

Early Years
Born in Wadesboro, Anson County, on June 28, 1985, to Phillip B. and Kathy Barber Burr.

Educational Background
South Stanly High School, Norwood N.C., 2004; Stanly Community College; Campbell University.

Professional Background
Bail Bondsman, Burr Bail Bonds.

Political Activities

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Boy Scouts of America; Stanly County Chamber of Commerce; National Rifle Association.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Vice-Chair, N.C. 8th Congressional Republican Party, 2007-Present; Member, Centralina Workforce Development Board Member, 2007-2009; Chairman, Stanly County Republican Party, 2007-2008.

Honors and Awards
Eagle Scout; The Outstanding Teen-Age Republican in the Nation, 2003.

Personal Information
Married, Lindsey Ledbetter Burr.

Committee Assignments
Alma S. Adams  
Democrat, Guilford County  

Fifty-Eighth Representative District: Portions of Guilford County  

Early Years  
Born in High Point on May 27, 1946, to Benjamin Shealey (deceased) and Mattie Stokes Shealey.  

Educational Background  
West Side High School, Newark, N.J., 1964; B.S. in Art Education, N.C. A&T State University, 1969; M.S. in Art Education, N.C. A&T State University, 1972; Ph.D. in Art Education/Multicultural Education, Ohio State University, 1981.  

Professional Background  
Professor of Art, Bennett College, Director, Steele Hall Art Gallery.  

Political Activities  
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 1994-Present; Greensboro City Council, 1987-94; Greensboro City School Board, 1984-86.  

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations  
First Vice-Chair, African American Atelier, Inc.; Life Member, Greensboro Branch, NAACP.  

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions  
N.C. Women’s Legislative Caucus, 1999-2000; American Legacy Foundation; Chair, Guilford Delegation, 2000-02; Chair, NC Legislative Black Caucus Foundation.  

Honors and Awards  

Personal Information  
Two children. Four grandchildren.  

Committee Assignments  
Chair, Appropriations; Vice-Chair, Commerce, Small Business and Entrepreneurship; Member, Aging, Education, Education Subcommittee on Universities, Health and Local Government I.
Martha Bedell Alexander  
Democrat, Mecklenburg County  

One Hundred-Sixth Representative District: Portions of Mecklenburg County  

Early Years  
Born in Jacksonville, Florida, on August 30, 1939, to Chester Bedell and Edmonia Hair Bedell.  

Educational Background  

Professional Background  
Legislator/Volunteer.  

Political Activities  
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 1993-present.  

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations  
World Service Council, YWCA; Deputy Chair, National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence; Involved on Local Diocese and National level of Episcopal Church.  

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions  
Equal Access to Justice Commission; Council for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing; Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Abuse Services.  

Honors and Awards  
Mary Harriman Community Leadership Award, Association of Junior Leagues International, Inc., 2003; Woman of the Year in Charlotte, 1993; Distinguished Alumni Award, UNC, Charlotte.  

Personal Information  
Two Children. Five grandchildren.  

Committee Assignments  
Chair, Appropriations; Vice-Chair, Mental Health Reform; Member, Education, Education Subcommittee on Universities, Health Judiciary I and Pender/New Hanover Redistricting.
Lucy T. Allen  
Democrat, Franklin County  
(resigned April 6, 2010)

Forty-Ninth Representative District: Franklin and Portions of Halifax and Nash counties.

Early Years
Born in Raleigh, Wake County on November 29, 1941, to Jonah Collins and Margaret Fleming Wilder Taylor.

Educational Background

Professional Background
Former Teacher.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2003-2010; Mayor, Town of Louisburg, 1985-2001; Member, Franklin County Board of Education, 1972-1980.

Personal Information

Committee Assignments
Chair, Environment and Natural Resources; Vice-Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Local Government II; Member, Agribusiness and Agricultural Economy, Appropriations, Commerce, Small Business and Entrepreneurship and Transportation.
Cary D. Allred  
Republican, Alamance County  
(resigned June 1, 2009)

Sixty-Fourth Representative District: Alamance County

Early Years
Born in Mebane, Alamance County, on February 7, 1947, to Maurice Frank and Rosa Etta Frances Sykes Allred.

Educational Background
Southern Alamance High School, 1965; B.A. in Social Science, Elon College, 1970; Graduate School, Davidson Community College and UNC-Greensboro, 1974-75.

Professional Background
Founder, President and CEO, EconoMed Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 1995-2009; Member, N.C. Senate, 1981-84; Alamance County Commissioner, 1984-94.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic Organizations
Former Member, Graham Jaycees; Former Member, Alamance County Heart Association; American Legion.

Appointive and Elected Boards and Commissions
Former Member, Alamance County Board of Health; Former Chair, Special Gifts, Alamance County Heart Association; Former Chair, Alamance Recycling and Solid Waste Commission.

Military Service
U.S. Navy, NATO Special Forces, 1967-68; U.S. Naval Reserves.

Honors and Awards
Guardian of Small Business, National Federation of Independent Businesses; 4-H Outstanding Alumnus Award for Alamance County.

Personal Information

Committee Assignments
Vice-Chair, Ways and Means; Member, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on Capital, Commerce, Small Business, and Entrepreneurship.
Marilyn Avila
Republican, Wake County

FORTIETH REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT: PORTIONS OF WAKE COUNTY

EARLY YEARS
Born in Statesboro, GA, on January 3, 1949 to Noyce and Christine Womack.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND
Portal High School, 1967; BS-Chemistry, Georgia Southern University, 1971.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND
N.C. State Representative.

POLITICAL ACTIVITIES
N.C. House of Representatives 2007-Present.

BUSINESS/PROFESSIONAL, CHARITABLE/CIVIC OR COMMUNITY SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS
Finance Chairwoman, First Wake County “Project Graduation”, 1988; Member, Facilities Committee, Wake County Public School System; Board Member, Black Horse Run Homeowners Association, 1991-1993.

PERSONAL INFORMATION
Married to Alex Avila. Two children.

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS
Vice-Chair, Science and Technology; Member, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on Capital, Education, Health, Commerce, Small Business Entrepreneurship, Education Subcommittee on Community Colleges, Juvenile Justice and Local Government I.
Jeffrey L. Barnhart
Republican, Cabarrus County

Eighty-Second Representative District: Portions of Cabarrus County

Early Years
Born in Waverly, New York, on March 5, 1956, to Fred Harrison and Mildred Lorraine Sjostrom Barnhart.

Education
Waverly High School, 1974; B.S. in Industrial Technology, Southern Illinois University, 1981.

Professional Background
CEO, Cabarrus Community Health Centers, Inc.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2001-Present; Member, Cabarrus County Board of Commissioners, 1990-2000.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Cabarrus Regional Chamber of Commerce.

Military Service

Personal Information
Married, Jody L. Springston Barnhart. Two children.

Committee Assignments
Vice-Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services and Mental Health Reform; Member, Appropriations, Health, Homeland Security, Military, and Veterans Affairs, Insurance and Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.
Hugh Blackwell
Republican, Burke County

Eighty-Sixth Representative District: Portions of Burke County

Professional Background
Attorney.

Committee Assignments
J. Curtis Blackwood, Jr.  
Republican, Union County

Sixty-Eighth Representative District: Portions of Union County

Early Years
Born in Charlotte, Mecklenburg County, on October 17, 1942, to Jacob Curtis and Agnes Cassels Blackwood, Sr.

Education
Attended Mecklenburg County Public Schools; Graduated Gordon Military Academy, Barnsville, GA, 1961; B.A. in History, University of Georgia, 1965; M.Ed. in Administration, Ohio University, 1967; Ed.D. in Curriculum and Administration, University of Georgia, 1972.

Professional Background

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2002-Present.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
American Legislative Exchange Council Education Task Force; National Conference of State Legislatures Environment and Natural Resources Standing Committee; Co-Chair, Joint Select Committee on Workforce Needs; Committee on Street Gang Prevention; Committee on Child Abuse, Neglect, Foster Care and Adoption; Select Committee on the Rising Cost of Health Care; Select Committee on Students on Long-Term Suspension; Life Member, Kiwanis International, Scottish Society of the Waxhaws, Clan Douglas.

Personal Information
Married Audrey Blackwood. Two children. One grandchild.

Committee Assignments
Vice-Chair, Education Subcommittee on Pre-School, Elementary and Secondary Education; Member, Commerce, Small Business and Entrepreneurship, Education, Environment and Natural Resources, Finance, Mental Health Reform and Transportation.
Dan Blue, Jr.  
Democrat, Wake County

(resigned May 19, 2009)

Thirty-Third Representative District: Wake County

**Early Years**
Born in Lumberton, Robeson County on April 18, 1949, to Daniel Terry and Allene Morris Blue, Sr.

**Educational Background**

**Professional Background**
Attorney and Partner, Blue, Stephens & Fellers, LLP.

**Political Activities**

**Elective or Appointed Boards and Commissions**
Chair, Duke University Board of Trustees; Duke University Health System.

**Personal Information**

**Committee Assignments**
Vice Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation; Member, Appropriations, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and Science and Technology.
John M. Blust  
Republican, Guilford County

Sixty-Second Representative District: Portions of Guilford County

Early Years  
Born in Hamilton, Butler County, Ohio, on June 4, 1954, to Gordon Charles and Barbara J. Brown Blust.

Education  
Western Guilford High School, Greensboro, 1972; B.S. in Accounting and Business Administration, UNC-Chapel Hill, 1979; J.D., UNC School of Law, 1982.

Professional Background  
Attorney and Accountant, Ivey, McClellan, Gatton & Talcott.

Political Activities  
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2001-Present; Member, N.C. Senate, 1997-1999; Chairman, Guilford County.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions  
Member, Board of Directors, Guilford Mental Health Board; Vance Harner Scholarship Fund.

Military Service  

Honors and Awards  
2nd Degree Black Belt, Young Yu School of Taekwon Do.

Committee Assignments  
Vice-Chair, Homeland Security, Military and Veterans Affairs; Member, Finance, Insurance, Judiciary I, Juvenile Justice and University Board of Governors Nominating.
James Larry Boles, Jr.  
Republican, Moore County  
Fifty-Second Representative District: Portions of Moore County

**Early Years**  
Born in Charlotte, Mecklenburg County, on January 16, 1961, to James Larry and Linda Fowler Boles.

**Education**  

**Professional Background**  
Boles, Funeral Home, Owner.

**Political Activities**  
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2009.

**Organizations-Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service**  
Member, N.C. Funeral Directors Association; National Funeral Directors Association; Sandhills Kiwanis.

**Personal Information**  
Four children.

**Committee Assignments**  
Member, Aging; Appropriations; Appropriations Subcommittee on Justice and Public Safety; Commerce, Small Business, and Entrepreneurship; Judiciary I; Local Government I; Water Resources and Infrastructure.
Alice Louise Bordsen  
Democrat, Alamance County  

Sixty-Third Representative District: Portions of Alamance County  

**Early Years**  
Born in Minneapolis, Minnesota, on February 19, 1947, to Oscar and Gloria Thomas Bordsen.  

**Education**  

**Professional Background**  
Attorney.  

**Political Activities**  
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2003-Present; Mebane City Council, 1999-2002.  

**Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations**  
Alamance County Community Council; N.C. State Bar; N.C. Academy of Trial Lawyers.  

**Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions**  
N.C. Study Commission on Aging; N.C. Sentencing and Policy Advisory Commission; Legislative Study Commission on Children and Youth.  

**Honors and Awards**  
Outstanding Dedication and Leadership Award, N.C. TASC, 2007; Distinguished Legislator Award, N.C. Recreation and Parks Association, 2007; Haw River Partner, N.C. Department of Environmental and Natural Resources, 2006.  

**Personal Information**  
Married, Donald Lewis Oehler. Two children. Two grandchildren.  

**Committee Appointments**  
Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on Justice and Public Safety and Juvenile Justice; Vice Chair, Appropriations; Education Subcommittee on Community Colleges; Member, Education, Aging and Judiciary II.
R. Van Braxton  
Democrat, Lenoir County

*Tenth Representative District: Portions of Greene, Lenoir and Wayne counties*

**Professional Background**
Insurance Agent.

**Political Activities**
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2007-Present.

**Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations**
Kinston City Council, 1994-2005; Active Member, PRIDE of Kinston; Lenoir County Recreation Board; Gang Violence Task Force; Volunteers for the Red Cross.

**Personal Information**
Married to Sandra Braxton.

**Committee Assignments**
Chair, Local Government II; Vice-Chair, Agriculture and Insurance; Member, Commerce, Small Business, and Entrepreneurship, Finance, Homeland Security, Military and Veterans Affairs and Mental Health Reform.
William D. Brisson  
Democrat, Bladen County

Twenty-Second Representative District: Portions of Bladen and Cumberland counties

Professional Background
Farmer.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2006-Present.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Former Chair, Bladen County Board of County Commissioners; Vice-Chair, Bladen County Hospital Board of Trustees; Bladen Medical Center; Secretary & Treasurer, Bladen County Farm Bureau.

Personal Information
Married, Brenda Brisson. One child. One grandchild.

Committee Assignments
Chair, Mental Health Reform; Vice-Chair, Agriculture; Member, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, Transportation and Wildlife Resources.
Larry Brown
Republican, Forsyth County

Seventy-Third Representative District: Portions of Davidson and Forsyth counties

Early Years
Born in Winston-Salem, Forsyth County, on February 9, 1943, to William Edgar and Ruth Holcomb Brown.

Educational Background

Professional Background
Owner/Broker, Brown Real Estate Co.; Retired U.S. Postal Service; Licensed Insurance Broker; President, Triad Global Concepts.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2005-Present; Mayor, Town of Kernersville, 1997-2005; Alderman, Town of Kernersville, 11 years.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Kernersville Civitan Club; Kernersville Sister City Commission.

Military Service

Honors and Awards
Outstanding Young Men in America, US Chamber of Commerce; American Legion Scholarship Award, Veterans Administration.

Personal Information
Married, Martha Vance Brown. Two children.

Committee Assignments
Vice-Chair, Local Government I; Member, Alcoholic Beverage Control; Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government, Commerce, Small Business, and Entrepreneurship, Education, Education Subcommittee on Community Colleges and Federal Relations and Indian Affairs.
Harold James Brubaker  
Republican, Randolph County  

Seven-Eighth Representative District: Portions of Randolph County

**Early Years**
Born in Mount Joy, Pennsylvania, on November 11, 1946, to Paul N. and Verna Mae Miller Brubaker.

**Educational Background**

**Professional Background**
President, Brubaker & Associates, Inc.

**Political Activities**

**Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations**
Randolph County Farm Bureau; Grange; N.C. Holstein Association; 4-H Club leader (Former President, N.C. Development Fund).

**Honors and Awards**

**Personal Information**
Married, Geraldine Baldwin. Two children.

**Committee Assignments**
Vice-Chair, Ethics, Financial Institutions and Public Utilities; Member, Health, Insurance, Rules Calendar, and Operations of the House and University Board of Governors Nominating.
Angela R. Bryant
Democrat, Nash County

Seventh Representative District: Portions of Halifax and Nash counties

Early Years
Born in Rocky Mount, N.C., on December 9, 1951, to Alexander H. “Tuffy” Sr. and Ethel Lucas Bryant.

Educational Background

Professional Background
Lawyer; Diversity and Organization Development Consultant, Angela Bryant Consulting affiliated with & Co-Founder of Visions, Inc.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2007-Present; Member, Rocky Mount City Council, 2007; UNC Board of Governors.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Delta Sigma Theta Sonority, Inc.; Rocky Mount Kiwanis Club; Halifax Horizons.

Elective or Appointed Boards and Commissions
Member, Energy Policy Council; Chair, House Select Committee on Use of 911 Funds; Member, Joint Study Committee on Poverty Reduction.

Honors and Awards
Friend of the Counties Award, N.C. Association of County Commissioners, 2010; Legislator of the Year, N.C. Sustainable Energy Association, 2009; Distinguished Alumni Award for Community Service, UNC, Chapel Hill, 2006.

Committee Assignments
Chair, Energy and Energy Efficiency; Vice-Chair, University Board of Governors Nominating; Member, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on Natural and Economic Resources, Education, Education Subcommittee on Universities, Election Law and Campaign Finance Reform, Judiciary I, Juvenile Justice, Public Utilities and Ways and Means/Broadband Connectivity.
Pearl Burris-Floyd
Republican, Gaston County

One Hundred Tenth Representative District: Portions of Cleveland and Gaston Counties

Professional Background
Cytologist.

Committee Assignments
Member, Aging, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, Education, Education Subcommittee on Universities, Election Law and Campaign Finance Reform, Health and Mental Health Reform.
Becky Carney  
**Democrat, Mecklenburg County**  

*One Hundred-Second Representative District: Portions of Mecklenburg County*

**Early Years**  
Born in Roxboro, Person County, on December 25, 1944, to James Marshall and Mona Bohannon Coley.

**Educational Background**  

**Professional Background**  
Homemaker/Public Servant.

**Political Activities**  
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2002-Present; Vice-Chair, Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners, 1996-2002.

**Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations**  
The Women's Forum of North Carolina; Junior League of Charlotte; Community School of the Arts.

**Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions**  
N.C. in the World Advisory Board; N.C. State Capital Foundation Board; Council for Children Advisory Board.

**Honors and Awards**  
Champion for the Arts, ARTS N.C., 2007; Representative of the Year, Conservation Council of N.C., 2010; N.C. Metropolitan Mayor, Legislative Award, 2009.

**Personal Information**  

**Committee Assignments**  
Chair, Transportation; Vice-Chair, Commerce, Small Business, and Entrepreneurship and Financial Institutions; Member, Education, Education Subcommittee on Pre-School, Elementary and Secondary Education, Finance and Public Utilities.
George Grant Cleveland  
Republican, Onslow County

Fourteenth Representative District: Portions of Onslow County

**Early Years**
Born in Scranton, P.A., on May 9, 1939, to George Spaulding and Helen Grant Cleveland.

**Educational Background**
B.S. in Mathematics Education, University of Maryland, 1982.

**Professional Background**
Retired.

**Political Activities**
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2005-Present.

**Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations**
Veterans of Foreign Wars, Lifetime Member; Fleet Reserve Association, Lifetime Member; National Rifle Association, Lifetime Benefactor Member.

**Military Service**
Master Gunnery Sgt., U.S. Marine Corps., Retired; Naval Commendation Medal; Combat Action Ribbon; Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal.

**Personal Information**
Married, Nancy Leatherman Cleveland. Four children. Eight grandchildren.

**Committee Assignments**
Vice-Chair, Wildlife Resources; Member, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government, Education, Education Subcommittee on Community Colleges, Homeland Security, Military, and Veterans Affairs, Transportation.
Lorene Thomason Coates  
Democrat, Rowan County

Seventy-Seventh Representative District: Portions of Rowan County

Early Years
Born in Rowan County, to Junious Lamont and Mary Belle Hoffman Thomason.

Educational Background
Woodleaf High School, Woodleaf, 1954; Rowan-Cabarrus Community College.

Professional Background
Retired.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2001-Present.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Rowan Helping Ministries; Altrusa Club of Salisbury.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions

Honors and Awards
Outstanding Performance Award, USDA-ASCS-Service in the Southeast; President’s Award, Helping Ministries Award.

Personal Information
Married, Floyd E. Coates. Two children. Three grandchildren.

Committee Assignments
Chair, Public Utilities; Vice-Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Transportation and Ways and Means/Broadband Connectivity; Member, Agriculture, Alcoholic Beverage Control and Appropriations.
Edward Nelson Cole  
Democrat, Rockingham County  

Sixty-Fifth Representative District: Portions of Rockingham County  

Early Years  
Born in Charlotte, Mecklenburg County, on March 29, 1937, to Marvin Reid Cole and Hazeline Cathey Cole.  

Educational Background  
North Mecklenburg High School, Huntersville, 1955; B.S. in Business Administration, University of South Carolina, 1962.  

Professional Background  
Retired Auto Dealer.  

Political Activities  

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations  
N.C. Automobile Dealers Association; National Automobile Dealers Association; Past President, Reidsville Chamber of Commerce; Executive Committee, Boy Scouts of America; Serves on UNC Board of Visitors.  

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions  
Former Member, Board of Directors, United Way; Governors Logistics Task Force; Vice-Chair, Virginia-North Carolina Interstate High Speed Rail Compact, 2010.  

Honors and Awards  
Award of Merit, Boy Scouts of America, 2008; 2000 Legislator of the Year Award, N.C. Public Transportation Association.  

Personal Information  

Committee Assignments  
Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation; Vice-Chair, Appropriations, Public Utilities and Transportation; Member, Commerce, Small Business, and Entrepreneurship, Insurance and Wildlife Resources.
Linda Coleman  
Democrat, Wake County

(resigned January 11, 2009)

Thirty-Ninth Representative District: Portions of Wake County

Early Years
Born on July 12, 1949, in Greenville, N.C.

Educational Background
BA of Science, N.C. A&T State University; Master in Public Administration, University of Pittsburgh's Graduate School of Public and International Affairs.

Professional Background
Retired.

Political Activities

Personal Information
Two children.

Committee Assignments
Chair, State Personnel; Vice-Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services and Pensions and Retirement; Member, Appropriations, Local Government I and Mental Health Reform.
Tricia Ann Cotham
Democrat, Mecklenburg County

One Hundredth Representative District: Portions of Mecklenburg County

Early Years

Educational Background

Professional Background
Assistant Principal, Char/Meck Schools.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2007-Present.

Honors and Awards
UNC Alumna of the Year, 2009; Legislator of the Year, N.C. Center for Voter Education; CMS Teacher of the Year, 2002.

Personal Information
Married to Jerry Meek. One child.

Committee Assignments
Chair, Education Subcommittee on Pre-School, Elementary and Secondary Education; Vice-Chair, Education and Juvenile Justice; Member, Election Law and Campaign Finance Reform, Finance, Financial Institutions, Health and Judiciary III.
James W. Crawford, Jr.
Democrat, Granville County

Thirty-Second Representative District: Portions of Granville and Vance counties

Early Years
Born in Durham, Durham County, on October 4, 1937, to James Walker and Julia Brent Hicks Crawford.

Educational Background

Professional Background
Businessman and Developer; Partner, Crawford Properties.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 1983-92 and 1995-Present; Oxford City Council; Democratic Party County Chair.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
N.C. Mental Health Association; N.C. Chamber; N.C. Retail Merchants Association; Roanoke River Basin Association; National Federation of Independent Businesses.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Vance-Granville Community College Foundation; Chair, Oxford Zoning Board of Adjustment; Granville Medical Center Foundation.

Military Service
Lieutenant (j.g.), Operations Officer, U.S. Navy, 1960-62.

Honors and Awards
Legislator of the Year, Autism Society of N.C., 2008; Legislator of the Year, National Alliance for Mentally Ill, 2005; Legislator of the Year, N.C. Nurses Association, 2003; Contribution to Transportation Award, N.C. Section of Institute of Transportation Engineers (NCSITE), 2003; Outstanding Legislator, N.C. Public Transportation Association, 2000.

Personal Information

Committee Assignments
Chair, Appropriations; Vice-Chair, Transportation; Member, Judiciary II, Mental Health Reform and Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.
William Ange Current, Sr.  
Republican, Gaston County

*One Hundred-Ninth Representative District: Portions of Gaston County*

**Early Years**
Born in Gastonia, Gaston County On May 4, 1933, to Alfred Cornelius and Vera Elizabeth McDuffie Current.

**Educational Background**
Gastonia High School, 1951; Attended NC State University, 1951-1953; BS, Dentistry, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 1956; Doctor of Dental Surgery, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 1958.

**Professional Background**
General Dentistry, Current Dentistry.

**Political Activities**
Member, N.C. House, 2005-Present.

**Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations**
Past President, North Carolina Dental Society; Past President, Gaston Community Foundation; Past President, Gastonia Rotary Club.

**Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions**
Chair, Gaston County Board of Health; NC State Health Coordinating Council (appointed by Governor Martin); Gastonia Alcohol Beverage Control Board.

**Military Service**

**Honors and Awards**

**Personal Information**

**Committee Assignments**
Vice-Chair, Election Law and Campaign Finance Reform; Member, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Ethics, Health, Insurance and Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.
Nammon Leo Daughtry  
Republican, Johnston County

Twenty-Sixth Representative District: Portions of Johnston County

Early Years
Born in Newton Grove, Sampson County, on December 3, 1940, to Namon Lutrell and Annie Catholeen Thornton Daughtry.

Educational Background

Professional Background
Attorney and Partner, Daughtry, Woodard, Lawrence & Starling. Owner of several small businesses.

Political Activities

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Member, N.C. and Johnston County Bar Associations.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Board of Trustees, Meredith College; Past Board Member, Florence Crittenton Services; Triangle Bank and Trust; Regional Acceptance Corporation; World Trade Center, Wake Forest University School of Law, Board of Visitors.

Military Service

Honors and Awards
Guardian of Small Business Award, National Federation of Independent Business, 1998; Republican Leader of the Year, National Republican Legislators Association, 1998; Boy Scout Man of the Year, 1996; Distinguished Citizen Award, Smithfield-Selma Chamber of Commerce, 1994.

Personal Information
Married, Helen Finch Daughtry. Two children. Three grandchildren.

Committee Assignments
Vice-Chair, Judiciary III; Member, Agriculture, Alcoholic Beverage Control, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on Capital and Transportation.
Margaret Highsmith Dickson
Democrat, Cumberland County
(resigned January 21, 2010)

Fourty-Fourth Representative District: Portions of Cumberland Counties

Early Years
Born in Fayetteville, Cumberland County, on September 21, 1949, to Seavy, Jr. and Ann Dawson Highsmith.

Educational Background
Saint Mary's School, Raleigh, 1967; B.A. English, UNC-Chapel Hill, 1971; graduate studies in communications, UNC-Chapel Hill.

Professional Background
Retired Broadcaster, Cape Fear Broadcasting Company.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. Senate, January 1, 2010-Present; N.C. House of Representatives, 2002-2010.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Board of Visitors, UNC-Chapel Hill; State Capitol Foundation Board; Cumberland County Education Foundation Board.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Courts Commission.

Honors and Awards

Personal Information
Married, John W. Dickson. Three children. Member, St. John's Episcopal Church.

Committee Assignments
Vice-Chair, Insurance; Member, Appropriations/, Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Education, Education Subcommittee on Universities, Homeland Security, Military and Veterans Affairs.
Jerry Charles Dockham  
Republican, Davidson County  

_Eightieth Representative District: Portions of Davidson County_

**Early Years**  
Born in Denton, Davidson County, on March 22, 1950, to Elwood Charles and Opal M. Coggin Dockham.

**Educational Background**  

**Professional Background**  
Retired Insurance Consultant, Nationwide Insurance Co.

**Political Activities**  
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 1990-Present; Former Chair, Davidson County Republican Party; Fellow, North Carolina Institute of Political Leadership; Member, ALEC (American Legislative Exchange Council); Member, NCSL (National Conference of State Legislature); Delegate to the 1996 Republican National Convention in San Diego, CA.

**Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations**  
Denton Lions Club (35-year member); Thomasville Area & Denton Chamber of Commerce.

**Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions**  
Trustee of Davidson County Community College, 1987-Present; Former Member, Board of Directors of Central Carolina Bank & Trust Co. (now Sun Trust Bank).

**Honors and Awards**  
1999 Emergency Medicine Advocate of the Year, N.C. College of Emergency Physicians; 1998 Legislator of the Year, N.C. Association of Anesthesiologists; Consistently ranked in the top 10% of legislators (out of 120 members) by N.C. F.R.E.E.

**Personal Information**  
Married, Louise Skeen Dockham. Two children.

**Committee Assignments**  
Vice-Chair, Insurance; Member, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Education, Education Subcommittee on Community Colleges, Ethics, Financial Institutions and Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.
Beverly Earle  
Democrat, Mecklenburg County

One Hundred-First Representative District: Portions of Mecklenburg County

Early Years
Born in Greensboro, Guilford County, on December 30, 1943, to Angelo Jr. and Edna Wilkins Miller.

Educational Background
Dudley High School, Greensboro, 1961; Social Science, N.C. A&T State University.

Professional Background
Retired.

Political Activities

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Executive Committee, NCSL; Nevins Center; National Organization of Black Elected Legislative Women.

Appointive and Elected Boards and Commissions
Women In Government; Board of Visitors, Johnson C Smith; N.C. Community Development Initiative.

Honors and Awards

Personal Information
One child.

Committee Assignments
Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services and Mental Health Reform; Vice-Chair, Appropriations and Health; Member, Aging, Financial Institutions and Public Utilities.
Bobby F. England  
Democrat, Rutherford County

One Hundred-Twelfth Representative District: Rutherford and Portions of Cleveland counties

Early Years
Born in Spindale, Rutherford County, on May 13, 1932, to William Claude and Birdie Dalton England.

Educational Background
R-S Central High, 1950; B.S. Biology/Chemistry, Wofford College, 1958; MD, Medical University of South Carolina, 1962.

Professional Background
Family Physician, England-Godfrey Family Practice.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2003-Present; Rutherford County Board of Education, 1974-1994.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Isothermal College Board of Trustees; Rutherford-Polk-McDowell Board of Health; N.C. Institute of Medicine.

Military Service

Honors and Awards
Kiwanis County Citizen of the Year, 2002; Rotary County Citizen of the Year, 2002; Football Press Box, East High School, Named in Honor, 2002.

Personal Information

Committee Assignments
Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services and Health, Vice-Chair, Appropriations and Education Subcommittee on Community Colleges; Member, Commerce, Small Business, and Entrepreneurship, Education, Mental Health Reform and Science and Technology.
Bill Faison  
Democrat, Orange County  

Fiftieth Representative District: Caswell and Portions of Orange counties

Early Years
Born in Raleigh, Wake County, on February 7, 1947, to Ollie W. and Daisy Peaks Faison.

Educational Background

Professional Background
Attorney, Faison & Gillespie.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2005-Present.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Board of Trustees, N.C. Justice Academy; Mason Lodge No. 19, Hillsborough-Scottish Rites, Valley of Greensboro; Gold Life Member, NAACP.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Chairman, House Democrats Business Caucus; Chairman, House Select Committee, High Speed Internet Access Rural Areas.

Honors and Awards
Outstanding Lawyers of America; Who’s Who in American Law; EBBY Award, NCATL.

Personal Information

Committee Assignments
Chair, Ways and Means/Broadband Connectivity; Vice-Chair, Agriculture, Judiciary III and Public Utilities; Member, Finance and Insurance.
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Susan C. Fisher
Democrat, Buncombe County

One Hundred-Fourteenth Representative District: Portions of Buncombe County

Early Years
Born in Morganton, Burke County, on July 3, 1955 to Alan and Penelope Reese Carscaddon.

Educational Background
Asheville High School, 1973; Mars Hill College, 1975; B.A. Audiology/Speech Pathology, University of Maryland, 1982.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2004-Present; Staff member to the late Representative James McClure Clarke, Washington, D.C.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
President, Asheville-Buncombe League of Women Voters; Member, Early Headstart Advisory Board; BRAVO (community concerts) Board of Directors.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Former Member/Chair of Asheville City Board of Education and Asheville Regional Airport Authority.

Honors and Awards
Housing Coalition – Legislator of the Year; N.C. Public Library Directors Association – Library Champion Award; Bertha “B.” Holt Legislative Coverage and Leadership Award.

Personal Information
Married, John B. Fisher, Jr. Two children.

Committee Assignments
Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Vice-Chair, Appropriations and Education; Member, Education Subcommittee on Pre-School, Elementary and Secondary Education, Election Law and Campaign Finance Reform, Energy and Energy Efficiency, Judiciary III and Local Government I.
Dale Robbins Folwell
Republican, Forsyth County

Seventy-Fourth Representative District: Portions of Forsyth County

Early Years
Born in Raleigh, Wake County, N.C. on December 17, 1958.

Educational Background

Professional Background
Private Investor.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2005-Present; Republican Joint Caucus Leader, 2007-2008.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Former Cubmaster for Boy Scouts of America, Old Hickory Council Pack 909; Contributor to the Dalton R. Folwell Summer Scholars Program Institute of Regenerative Medicine at Wake Forest University.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Board of Education, 7 years.

Honors and Awards
2010 Eye Bank Association of America National Gift of Sight Award; 2007 President’s Award, N.C. Association of County Commissioners; 2006 Distinguished Service Award, N.C. Tax Collector’s Association.

Personal Information
Married to Synthia Sexton Folwell. Three children.

Committee Assignments
Vice Chair, Pensions and Retirement; Member, Education, Education Subcommittee on Pre-School, Elementary and Secondary Education; Energy and Energy Efficiency and Finance.
Phillip D. Frye
Republican, Mitchell County

Eighty-Fourth Representative District: Avery, Mitchell and Portions of Caldwell and Yancey counties

Early Years
Born in Spruce Pine, Mitchell County, on August 14, 1943, to Iss and Alice Turbyfill Frye.

Educational Background
Harris High School, 1961; Accounting, Blanton’ Business College, 1963.

Professional Background
Small Business Owner, Frye Auto Interiors.

Political Activities

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Past President and Member, Spruce Pine Kiwanis Club; Past Chair and Board Member, Foundation for Mitchell County; Board Member, Mitchell County Safe Place; Past President and Member, Mitchell County Chamber of Commerce.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Past Chair and Board Member, N.C. Joint Regional Forum, 1981-2002; Past Board Member (1988-1990), N.C. League of Municipalities.

Honors and Awards

Personal Information
Married to June Rathbone Frye. One child. Two grandchildren.

Committee Assignments
Vice-Chair, Federal Relations and Indian Affairs; Member, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Commerce, Small Business and Entrepreneurship, Local Government I and Transportation.
Pryor Allan Gibson, III  
Democrat, Anson County

Sixty-Ninth Representative District: Anson and Portions of Union counties

Early Years  
Born in Winston-Salem, Forsyth County, on October 12, 1957 to Pryor and Mary Pharr Gibson.

Educational Background  
Anson High School, Wadesboro, 1975; Biology and Chemistry, UNC-Wilmington, 1978; Engineering, UNC-Charlotte; Management, N.C. State University.

Professional Background  
Builder.

Political Activities  
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 1989-91 and 1999-Present.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations  
Lions Club; Rotary Club.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions  
Chair, Environmental Review Commission; Chair, Finance.

Honors and Awards  
Outstanding Educator; Martin Luther King Citizen; Guardian of Small Business.

Personal Information  
Married to Barbara Barger Gibson. Two children.

Committee Assignments  
Chair, Finance; Vice-Chair, Alcoholic Beverage Control and Water Resources and Infrastructure; Member, Environment and Natural Resources, Financial Institutions, Insurance and Local Government II.
Rosa U. Gill
Democrat, Wake County
(appointed June 18, 2009)
Thirty-Third Representative District: Wake County

Professional Background
Retired State Employee.

Committee Assignments
Vice-Chair, State Government/State Personnel; Member, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Education, Education Subcommittee on Pre-School, Elementary and Secondary Education, Election Law and Campaign Finance Reform and Judiciary II.
Robert Mitchell Gillespie
Republican, McDowell County

**Eighty-Fifth Representative District: McDowell and Portions of Burke counties**

**Early Years**
Born in Marion, McDowell County, on August 19, 1959, to Billy and Helen Loftis Gillespie.

**Educational Background**

**Professional Background**
Owner, Gillespie Properties.

**Political Activities**

**Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations**
McDowell County Chamber of Commerce.

**Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions**
McDowell Technical Community College Trustee; McDowell Economic Development Authority.

**Honors and Awards**
Selected for Spring, 1998, Class of Fellows of the N.C. Institute of Political Leadership.

**Personal Information**
Married, Barbara Nell Hollifield Gillespie. One child.

**Committee Assignments**
Vice-Chair, Environment and Natural Resources; Member, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Commerce, Small Business, and Entrepreneurship, Federal Relations and Indian Affairs, Water Resources and Infrastructure and Ways and Means/Broadband Connectivity.
Rick Glazier  
Democrat, Cumberland County  

Forty-Fifth Representative District: Portions of Cumberland County

Early Years
Born in Allentown, PA, on June 16, 1955 to Stanley and Margaret Acker Glazier.

Educational Background
William Allen High School, Allentown, PA, 1973; B.A. Foreign Policy, Penn State University, 1977; J.D. Wake Forest University, 1981.

Professional Background
Attorney, Professor. Fayetteville State University and Campbell University School of Law.

Political Activities

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions

Honors and Awards
N.C. Justice Center, 2007 “Defenders of Justice” Award; N.C. Association of Local Health Directors, 2007 Legislator of the Year; Covenant with North Carolina’s Children, 2007 “Ruth M. Easterling” House Award.

Personal Information
Married, Lise Ortenberg Glazier, Two children.

Committee Assignments
Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Vice-Chair, Appropriations, Judiciary II and Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House; Member, Education, Education Subcommittee on Pre-School, Elementary and Secondary Education, Financial Institutions, Health, Homeland Security, Military, and Veterans Affairs and Mental Health Reform.
Melanie Wade Goodwin
Democrat, Richmond County

Sixty-Sixth Representative District: Richmond and Portions of Montgomery counties

Early Years
Born in Henrico County, Richmond Virginia on July 22, 1970, to Albert Lee and Nancy Breinig Wade.

Educational Background
Sanderson High School, Raleigh, 1988; B.A. in English, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 1992; J.D., Campbell University, 2000.

Professional Background
Attorney.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2005-Present.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Rockingham Junior Woman’s Club; Democratic Women of Richmond County; N.C. Bar Association.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
N.C. Courts Commission.

Honors and Awards

Personal Information
Married, George Wayne Goodwin. Two children.

Committee Assignments
Chair, Election Law and Campaign Finance Reform; Vice-Chair, Judiciary I; Member, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on Justice and Public Safety, Education, Education Subcommittee on Community Colleges, Juvenile Justice and Transportation.
W. Robert Grady  
Republican, Onslow County

*Fiftieth Representative District: Portions of Onslow County*

**Early Years**
Born in Jacksonville, Onslow County, on April 30, 1950, to William R. and Minnie Hurst Grady.

**Educational Background**
Jacksonville Senior High; UNC-Chapel Hill; Campbell University.

**Professional Background**
Businessman.

**Political Activities**
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 1987-Present; Jacksonville City Council, 1981-87; Mayor Pro-Tem, City of Jacksonville, 1983-86.

**Honors and Awards**
Distinguished Service Award, N.C. Association of Community College Trustees, 1997; Distinguished Service Award, N.C. Association of Educators, 1996; Political Action Award, N.C. Victim Assistance Network, 1993.

**Committee Assignments**
Vice-Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on Capital; Member, Alcoholic Beverage Control, Appropriations, Financial Institutions, Health, Public Utilities and University Board of Governors Nominating.
W. David Guice  
Republican, Transylvania County

One Hundred-Thirteenth Representative District: Portions of Henderson, Polk and Transylvania counties

**Early Years**
Born in Asheville, Buncombe County, on July 4, 1955, to Bobby Lee and Shirley C. Guice, Sr.

**Educational Background**

**Professional Background**
Retired Probation/Parole Manager, N.C. Department of Correction.

**Political Activities**
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2009-Present; Transylvania County Board of County Commissioners, 2000-2008.

**Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions**
Justice Reinvestment, N.C.

**Honors and Awards**

**Personal Information**
Married Kerry L. Guice. Two children. One grandchild.

**Committee Assignments**
Member, Agriculture, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on Justice and Public Safety, Judiciary III, Juvenile Justice and Local Government II.
James Monroe Gulley  
Republican, Mecklenburg County

*One Hundred-Third Representative District: Portions of Mecklenburg County*

**Early Years**
Born in Charlotte, Mecklenburg County, on May 10, 1939, to Creighton Alexander and Naomi Reid Gulley.

**Educational Background**

**Professional Background**
Retired.

**Political Activities**
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 1997-Present; Matthews Town Council.

**Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations**
Matthews Volunteer Fire Department; Matthews Athletic and Recreations Association; Queens Grant Charter School.

**Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions**
North Carolina Commission on Deaf and Hard of Hearing.

**Personal Information**
Married, Suzanne Hargett Gulley. Two children. Four grandchildren.

**Committee Assignments**
Vice-Chair, Science and Technology; Member, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Energy and Energy Efficiency, Public Utilities, Ways and Means/Broadband Connectivity and Wildlife Resources.
Robert Phillip Haire  
Democrat, Jackson County  

*One Hundred-Nineteenth Representative District: Jackson, Swain and Portions of Haywood and Macon counties*

**Early Years**  
Born in Caretta, W.V., on May 1, to Herman E. and Pauline Jackson Haire.

**Educational Background**  
Beaver Creek High School, West Jefferson; B.A. in History, UNC-Chapel Hill, 1958; J.D., UNC-Chapel Hill School of Law, 1961.

**Professional Background**  
Attorney; R. Phillip Haire, Attorney At Law.

**Political Activities**  
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 1999-Present.

**Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations**  
N.C. Bar Association, Board of Governor’s & Chair, Senior Lawyer’s Division; National Conference of State Legislators, Vice-Chair, Standing Commission on Law & Criminal Justice; N.C. State Bar, Chair, N.C. Conference of Bar Presidents.

**Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions**  
Board of Governors, University of North Carolina; Board of Trustees, Western Carolina University; Advisory Council, Eastern Band of the Cherokee Nation; Western North Carolina Economic Development Commission (Advantage West); Assistant Majority Counsel, U.S. Senate Select Committee on Campaign Activities (Watergate).

**Military Service**  

**Honors and Awards**  
Distinguished Service Award, Jackson County Youth Sports; Distinguished Service Award, Jackson County Historical Award; Critical Link Award, Riverlink of Asheville.

**Personal Information**  
Married, Contance Mullinix Haire. Four children. Five grandchildren.

**Committee Assignments**  
Chair, Appropriations and University Board of Governors Nominating; Vice-Chair, Juvenile Justice; Member, Environment and Natural Resources, Judiciary III, Science and Technology and Ways and Means/Broadbank Connectivity.
Ty Harrell
Democrat, Wake County
(resigned September 20, 2009)

Forty-First Representative District: Portions of Wake County

Early Years
Born on February 6, 1970, in Newark, New Jersey.

Educational Background
Sanderson High School; B.A. in English, Appalachian State University; M.A., Political Management. George Washington University.

Professional Background
Development Officer.

Political Activities

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Member, Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.

Personal Information
Married Melanie DuPon. Two children. Member, Church of the Nativity.

Committee Assignments
Vice-Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Science and Technology; Member, Appropriations, Children, Youth and Families, Commerce, Small Business, and Entrepreneurship and Transportation.
Pricey Harrison
Democrat, Guilford County

Fifty-Seventh Representative District: Portions of Guilford County

Early Years
Born on August 31.

Professional Background
Retired Communications Attorney.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2005-Present.

Committee Assignments
Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on Natural and Economic Resources; Vice-Chair, Appropriations, Energy and Energy Efficiency, Environment and Natural Resources; Member, Election Law and Campaign Finance Reform, Judiciary I, Marine Resources and Aquaculture and Public Utilities.
John Christopher Heagarty
Democrat, Wake County

(appointed October 30, 2009)

Forty-First Representative District: Portions of Wake County

Early Years
Born in Cincinnati, Ohio, Hamilton County on August 14, 1970, to John and Darleen Heagarty.

Educational Background

Professional Background
Attorney.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2009-Present.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Church of the Nativity; N.C. Bar Association; N.C. Leaf, Board of Directors.

Personal Information
Married, Tivey E. Clark. Two children.

Committee Assignments
Vice-Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation; Member, Appropriations, Commerce, Small Business, and Entrepreneurship, Judiciary I, Science and Technology, State Government/State Personnel and Transportation.
Dewey Lewis Hill  
Democrat, Columbus County

Twentieth Representative District: Columbus and Portions of Brunswick counties

Early Years
Born in Whiteville, Columbus County, on August 31, 1925, to Otto and Alatha Ward Hill.

Educational Background
Whiteville High School, 1943.

Professional Background
President and CEO, Hillcrest Corp.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 1993-Present.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Carolina Food Industry Council; Columbus County Committee of 100; National Grocer Association.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Director (retired), Waccamaw Bank; Director, N.C. Retail Merchandise Association; Board of Trustees, N.C. Boys and Girls Homes, Inc.

Military Service

Honors and Awards
1996 Grocer of the Year; 1996 Nash Finch Century Club Award; 1994 Columbus County Child Care Award.

Personal Information
Married, Muriel Ezzell Hill. Two children. Five grandchildren.

Committee Assignments
Chair, Agriculture; Vice-Chair, Finance and Rules Calendar, and Operations of the House; Member, Transportation and Ways and Means/Broadband Connectivity.
Mark Kelly Hilton  
Republican, Catawba County

Ninety-Sixth Representative District: Portions of Catawba County

Early Years
Born in Valdese, Burke County, on April 18, 1966, to Tony and Carolyn Warren Hilton.

Educational Background
St. Stephen's High School, Hickory, 1985; WPCC.

Professional Background
Police Officer, Delta Company Police.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2001-Present.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Member, Tri-city Baptist Church.

Honors and Awards
2006 2nd Amendment Foundation Legislator of the Year.

Personal Information
Married to Allison Kellen Hilton. Three children.

Committee Assignments
Vice-Chair, Transportation; Member, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on Education, Education, Education Subcommittee on Universities, Homeland Security, Military and Veterans Affairs and Ways and Means/Broadband Connectivity.
Bryan R. Holloway  
Republican, Stokes County

_Ninety-First Representative District: Stokes and Portions of Rockingham county_

**Educational Background**

BS in History/Secondary Education, Appalachian State University.

**Professional Background**

Consultant and Teacher of History, West Stokes High School.

**Political Activities**

Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2005-Present; N.C. House Republican Freshman Chair, 2005-2006.

**Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations**

Member, Chestnut Grove Ruritans; Member, King Lion’s Club; Chief Sponsor, Student Government Association, West Stokes High School.

**Honors and Awards**

Freshman Legislator of the Year Award, 2005.

**Personal Information**

Married to Misti Culler Holloway.

**Committee Assignments**

Vice-Chair, Pensions and Retirement; Member, Agriculture, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on Education, Commerce, Small Business, and Entrepreneurship, Education and Education Subcommittee on Pre-School, Elementary and Secondary Education.
Julia Craven Howard
Republican, Davie County

Seventy-Ninth Representative District: Davie and Portions of Iredell counties

Early Years
Born in Salisbury, Rowan County, on August 20, 1944, to Allen Leary and Ruth Elizabeth Snider Craven.

Educational Background

Professional Background
Realtor/Appraiser, Howard Realty & Insurance, Inc.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 1988-Present (Former Majority House Whip; Former Minority House Whip); Member, Mocksville Town Board, 1981-88.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
American Legislative Exchange Council; Chair, Southern Legislative Conference (SLC) of the Council of State Governments (CSG); Executive Committee; N.C. Association of Realtors; Mocksville Women’s Club; Mocksville Rotary Club.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Former Chair, Davie County Hospital.

Honors and Awards
2006 American Legislative Exchange Council Legislator of the Year; 2005 SLC John Bragg Award Recipient for Excellence in Legislative Service; 2001 Paul Harris Fellow.

Personal Information
Two children. Six grandchildren.

Committee Assignments
Chair, Ethics; Vice-Chair, Finance; Member, Health, Insurance, Public Utilities, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and University Board of Governors Nominating.
Sandra Spaulding Hughes  
Democrat, New Hanover County

Eighteenth Representative District: Portions of New Hanover and Pender counties

Early Years
Born in Wilmington, New Hanover County, on October 11, 1944, to Lewis Spaulding and Crettie Blanks Spaulding.

Educational Background

Professional Background
Retired Educator/Consultant.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, April 18, 2008-present; Wilmington N.C. City Council, 1999-2003.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
YWCA; Council on Human Relations; Commission for Women.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
N.C. State Martin Luther King Commission; New Hanover County Prison Board; The Film Commission.

Honors and Awards
Woman of the Year, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, 2001; Citizen of the Year, Alpha Phi Alpa Fraternity, 2002; Community Service Award, N.C. A&T State University, 1996.

Personal Information
One Child. Two grandchildren.

Committee Assignments
Vice-Chair, Alcoholic Beverage Control; Member, Finance, Health, Insurance, Pender/New Hanover Redistricting and Transportation.
Pat B. Hurley  
Republican, Randolph County

Seventieth Representative District: Portions of Randolph County

Early Years
Born in Asheboro on December 29, 1939.

Educational Background
Asheboro High School, 1958.

Professional Background
Deputy Clerk, N.C. Judicial System-Deputy Clerk of Superior Court, 1992-present;  
Collections and Title Manager, Greensboro Auto Auction, 1986-1992; New Dealer  
Registration, High Point Auto Auction, 1976-1986; Dealer, Note Department, Bank  

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2006-Present.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Former Member, Randolph County Nursing Home Adult Care Homes; Advisory  
Committee/Coordinator, N.C. Combined Campaign for the Clerk of the Superior  
Court Office.

Personal Information
Two children.

Committee Assignments
Vice-Chair, Pensions and Retirement; Member, Appropriations, Appropriations  
Subcommittee on Justice and Public Safety, Education, Education Subcommittee  
Community Colleges, Judiciary II, Juvenile Justice and Mental Health Reform.
Frank Iler  
Republican, Brunswick County  

(appointed June 18, 2009)  

Seventeenth Representative District: Portions of Brunswick County  

Political Activities  
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2009-Present.  

Committee Assignments  
Member, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Education, Education Subcommittee on Community Colleges, Marine Resources and Aquaculture, Transportation and Wildlife Resources.
Dan W. Ingle
Republican, Alamance County
(appointed June 12, 2009)

Sixty-Fourth Representative District: Portions of Alamance County

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2009-Present.

Committee Assignments
Member, Agriculture, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on Capital, Judiciary I, Transportation and Wildlife Resources.
Verla Clemens Insko
Democrat, Orange County

Fifty-Sixth Representative District: Portions of Orange County

Early Years
Born in Decatur, Arkansas, on February 5, 1936, to Charles Verne and Leta Trook Clemens.

Educational Background

Professional Background
Retired Health Care Administrator, UNC-Chapel Hill, School of Medicine.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 1997-Present; Member, Orange County Board of Commissioners, 1990-1994; Member, Chapel Hill-Carrboro Board of Education, 1977-1985.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Orange County Rape Crisis Center; Health Care For All, North Carolina; N.C. League of Conservation Voters.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
UNC, Chapel Hill Graduate Education Advisory Board; Governor's Task Force on Healthy Carolinians; N.C. Council of Development Disabilities.

Honors and Awards
C. Odell Tyndall Award, N.C Rehabilitation Association; Legislative Advocate of the Year, National Association of Social Workers, N.C. Chapter; Families in Action, Legislator of the Year.

Personal Information
Married, Chester (Chet) Insko. Two children. Three grandchildren.

Committee Assignments
Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services and Health; Vice-Chair, Appropriations and Education Subcommittee on Universities; Member, Education, Environment and Natural Resources, Judiciary I, Mental Health Reform, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and University Board of Governors Nominating.
Darren G. Jackson
Democrat, Wake County

(appointed January 26, 2009)

Thirty-Ninth Representative District: Portions of Wake County

Professional Background
Attorney.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2009-Present.

Committee Assignments
Vice-Chair, State Government/State Personnel; Member, Aging, Alcoholic Beverage Control, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on Justice and Public Safety, Education, Education Subcommittee on Pre-School, Elementary and Secondary Education, Judiciary II and Local Government I.
Margaret M. Jeffus
Democrat, Guilford County

Fifty-Ninth Representative District: Portions of Guilford County

Early Years
Born in Roanoke, Virginia, on October 22, 1934, to Edward S. and Alyne Bowles Green.

Educational Background

Professional Background
Retired Educator Greensboro/Guilford County Schools.

Political Activities

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Past President, Altrusa International of Greensboro; Past Member, Professional Review Committee, SDP; Past District and Local Unit President, N.C. Association of Educators.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Member, Board of Directors, Women’s Resource Center, 2002-2006; Advisory Board Member, N.C. Humanities Council, 1998-2007; Member, Board of Directors, N.C. Foundation for Public School Children, 1999-2007; Education Commission of the States (National) 2007-Present.

Honors and Awards
Friend of Education Award, N.C. Association of Educators, 2007; N.C. Psychology Award for Support & Promotion of Excellence in Education, 2006; Greensboro Regional Realtors Public Service Award, 2005; General Federation of Women’s Clubs, Women of Achievement, 2006.

Personal Information

Committee Assignments
Chair, Appropriations; Vice-Chair, Education Subcommittee on Pre-School, Elementary and Secondary Education; Member, Education, Financial Institutions, Judiciary III and Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.
Linda P. Johnson  
Republican, Cabarrus County  

Eighty-Third Representative District: Portions of Cabarrus County  

Early Years  
Born in Concord, Cabarrus County, on May 2, 1945, to Phletus O. Pennell and Ruth Smith Pennell Crook.  

Educational Background  

Professional Background  
Computer Analyst/Tax Accounting.  

Political Activities  

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations  
NCCBI; N.C. Order of Eastern Star.  

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions  
Public School Forum; N.C. Nursing Advisory Board; US. Congressional/Consortium on Civic Education.  

Personal Information  
Married, Ronnie R. Johnson. Three children. Seven grandchildren.  

Committee Assignments  
Vice-Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Member, Appropriations, Education, Education Subcommittee on Pre-School, Elementary and Secondary Education, Judiciary II, Public Utilities and Science and Technology.
Earl Jones  
Democrat, Guilford County

Sixtieth Representative District: Portions of Guilford County

Early Years
Born July 20, 1949.

Educational Background
B.A. in Political Science, N.C. Central Carolina University, Durham, 1971; J.D., Southern University School of Law, 1976.

Professional Background
Publisher. The Greensboro Times.

Political Activities

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Co-founder, International Civil Rights Museum & Center; Co-founder, 100 Black Men of Triad; Board Member, NAACP, Greensboro Chapter.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Blue Ribbon Commission to Study Solutions to N.C.’s Urban Transportation Board; Joint Select Committee on Naturopathic Licensure; House Select Committee on Street Gang Prevention.

Personal Information
Married, Adri-Anne Donnell Jones.

Committee Assignments
Chair, Local Government I and Science and Technology; Member, Aging, Judiciary II and Finance.
Carolyn K. Justus  
Republican, Henderson County

One Hundred-Seventeenth Representative District: Portions of Henderson County

Early Years
Born in Brevard, Transylvania County, on September 15, 1945, to Thurman W. and Gwendolyn Morgan King.

Educational Background
Brevard High School, Brevard, NC, 1963; Attended Gaston Memorial Hospital, School of Nursing; N.C. Real Estate School.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2003-Present.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
BPW; VFW & American Legion Auxiliary.

Honors and Awards
BPW Woman of Achievement Award, 2004.

Committee Assignments
Vice-Chair, Health; Member, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on Justice and Public Safety, Juvenile Justice, Mental Health Reform and State Government/State Personnel.
Ric Killian  
Republican, Mecklenburg County

*One Hundred-Fifth Representative District: Portions of Mecklenburg County*

**Early Years**
Born in Kaukauna, Wisconsin on July 17, 1964, to Daniel N. Killian and Judith J. Killian.

**Educational Background**

**Political Activities**

**Military Service**

**Honors and Awards**
Patriot-Statesman, NCARATE, 2008; Medal of Civic Honor, NCSL, 2010.

**Personal Information**
Married to Debbi Ann Hoyer Killian. Four children.

**Committee Assignments**
Vice-Chair, Homeland Security, Military, and Veterans Affairs; Member, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on Capital, Environment and Natural Resources, State Government/State Personnel and Transportation.
James H. Langdon, Jr.
Republican, Johnston County

Twenty-Eighth Representative District: Portions of Johnston and Sampson counties

Early Years
Born in Benson, Johnston County, on January 17, 1938, to J. Hector and Margaret Highsmith Langdon.

Educational Background

Professional Background
Retired Educator.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2005-Present; Johnston County Board of Commissioners, 1996-2004.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Agri-Business Council; Johnston County Farm Bureau.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Johnston Memorial Hospital Hospice Board.

Honors and Awards
Outstanding Alumni Award, NCSU, College Ag & Life Science, 2005; Administrator of the Year, Johnston County Schools, 1995.

Personal Information
Married, Lena B. Langdon. One child.

Committee Assignments
Vice-Chair, Local Government II; Member, Agriculture, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on Natural and Economic Resources, Education, Education Subcommittee on Community Colleges and Mental Health Reform.
David R. Lewis  
Republican, Harnett County

Fifty-Third Representative District: Portions of Harnett County

Early Years  
Born in Fayetteville, Cumberland County, on March 6, 1971, to Donnie R. and Jean Hudson Lewis.

Educational Background  
Cape Fear High School, Fayetteville, 1989; B.A. in Business Administration, Campbell University, 1994.

Professional Background  
Farm Equipment Dealer, Quality Equipment, LLC.

Political Activities  
Member, N.C. House Representatives, 2003-Present.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations  
Chamber of Commerce; Dunn Kiwanis Club.

Honors and Awards  
George F. Hixon Kiwanis Service Award; John Deere Signature Dealer.

Personal Information  
Married, Michelle Lawrence Lewis. Three children. Member.

Committee Assignments  
Vice-Chair, Agriculture; Member, Alcoholic Beverage Control, Election Law and Campaign Finance Reform, Finance, Homeland Security, Military and Veterans Affairs, Insurance and Judiciary III.
Jimmy Lewis Love
Democrat, Lee County

*Fifty-First Representative District: Lee and Portions of Harnett counties*

**Early Years**
Born in Sanford, on December 21, 1934, to James A. and Willie McIver Brannon Love.

**Educational Background**
Sanford Central High School, 1953; BA, UNC-Chapel Hill, 1957; Bachelor of Laws, UNC-Chapel Hill, 1960.

**Professional Background**
Attorney. Love & Love, P.A.

**Political Activities**

**Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations**
N.C. Bar Association; Rotary; Committee of One Hundred (Lee County Promotional Group).

**Military Service**

**Honors and Awards**
Jaycees Young Man of the Year, 1966.

**Personal Information**

**Committee Assignments**
Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on Justice and Public Safety and Education Subcommittee on Community Colleges; Vice-Chair, Appropriations, Education and Judiciary II; Member, Local Government I, Marine Resources and Aquaculture, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and Wildlife Resources.
Marvin W. Lucas  
Democrat, Cumberland County  

*Forty-Second Representative District: Portions of Cumberland County*

**Early Years**  
Born in Spring Lake, Cumberland County, on November 15 to Marvin L. and Rebecca McDougal Lucas.

**Educational Background**  
Anne Chesnutt High School, Fayetteville, 1960; B.S. in English, Fayetteville State University, 1964; M.A. in Education Administration, North Carolina Central University, 1975; Ed. S. in Administration, East Carolina University, 1977.

**Professional Background**  
Retired Principal, Cumberland County Schools.

**Political Activities**  
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2001-Present; Spring Lake Mayor; Spring Lake Board of Alderman.

**Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations**  
Board of Directors, Centura Bank.

**Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions**  
Education Commission of the States; National Conference of State Legislators; The Council of State Governments.

**Honors and Awards**  

**Personal Information**  

**Committee Assignments**  
Chair, Education; Vice-Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on Education and Alcoholic Beverage Control; Member, Appropriations, Ethics, Local Government II, Public Utilities and Wildlife Resources.
Paul Luebke  
Democrat, Durham County

Early Years  
Born in Chicago, Illinois, on January 18, 1946, to Paul T. and Eunice Elbert Luebke.

Educational Background  

Professional Background  
Associate Professor of Sociology, UNC-Greensboro, 1982-Present.

Political Activities  
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 1991-Present.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions  
Board Member, Raleigh-Durham International Airport Authority, 1987-91; Member, Board of Editors, Perspectives on the American South: An Annual Review of Society, Politics and Culture; Member, Board of Editors, Research in Political Sociology.

Personal Information  
Married to Carol Gallione. Two children.

Committee Assignments  
Senior-Chair, Finance; Vice-Chair, Election Law and Campaign Finance Reform and Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House; Member, Energy and Energy Efficiency and Environment and Natural Resources.
Nick Mackey  
Democrat, Mecklenburg County  

_Ninety-Ninth Representative District: Portions of Mecklenburg County_

**Early Years**  
Born in Shelby, Cleveland County, to Winfred and Christine Mackey.

**Educational Background**  
Cleveland Heights High School, Cleveland Heights, Ohio, 1985; B.A. in Criminal Justice, Barber Scocia College; MBA, Pheiffer University; JD/MPA, University of Akron; MS/Criminal Justice, Boston University.

**Political Activities**  
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2009-Present.

**Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations**  
Omega Psi Phi.

**Committee Assignments**  
Vice-Chair, Local Government II; Member, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Judiciary III, State Government/State Personnel and Transportation.
Grier Martin  
Democrat, Wake County

Thirty-Fourth Representative District: Portions of Wake County

Early Years
Born in Charlotte, Mecklenburg County, on October, 21, 1968, to D. G. and Harriet Wall Martin.

Educational Background

Professional Background
Lawyer.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2005-Present.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service
Veterans of Foreign Wars; Board of Directors, N.C. Center for Voter Education; N.C. Bar Association (Citizen Lawyer Task Force).

Military Service

Honors and Awards

Personal Information
Married to Louise Porter Martin, One child.

Committee Assignments
Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Pender/New Hanover Redistricting; Vice-Chair, Appropriations, Federal Relations and Indian Affairs, Homeland Security, Military, and Veterans Affairs and Judiciary I; Member, Election Law and Campaign Finance Reform, Environment and Natural Resources, Ethics and Transportation.
John May
Democrat, Franklin County

(appointed April 21, 2010)

Forty-Ninth Representative District: Portions of Franklin, Halifax and Nash counties.

Professional Background
Attorney.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2009-Present.

Committee Assignments
Member, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Commerce, Small Business and Entrepreneurship; Environment and Natural Resources; Vice Chair, Local Government I; Transportation; Water Resources and Infrastructure; Ways and Means/Broadband Connectivity.
Daniel Francis McComas  
Republican, New Hanover County  

Nineteenth Representative District: Portions of New Hanover County

Early Years  
Born in San Juan, Puerto Rico, on May 26, 1953, to Hugh G. and Nilda Miro (deceased) McComas.

Educational Background  
Perpetuo Socorro High School, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 1972; B.B.A. in Finance, St. Bonaventure University, 1976.

Professional Background  

Political Activities  
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 1995-Present.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations  
Board Member, Coastal Land Trust; Board Member, N.C. Trucking Association; Board Member, Cape Fear Council, Boy Scouts of America.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions  
Co-Chair, House Finance Committee, Environmental Review Commission, Joint Transportation Oversight Committee.

Military Service  

Honors and Awards  
1998 Razor Walker Award, UNC-Wilmington School of Education; 1997 Convention and Visitors Bureau Award.

Personal Information  
Married, Betty Garcia McComas. Two children.

Committee Assignments  
Vice-Chair, Finance and Transportation; Member, Environment and Natural Resources, Financial Institutions, Health, Marine Resources and Aquaculture, Pender/New Hanover Redistricting, Public Utilities and Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.
Darrell G. McCormick  
Republican, Yadkin County

**Ninety-Second Representative District: Portions of Iredell, Surry and Yadkin counties**

**Professional Background**
Commercial Real Estate

**Political Activities**
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2009-Present.

**Committee Assignments**
Member, Aging, Agriculture, Education, Education Subcommittee on Community Colleges, Energy and Energy Efficiency, Finance and University Board of Governors Nominating.
Pat McElraft  
Republican, Carteret County

Thirteenth Representative District: Carteret and Jones counties

Professional Background
Technical Sales Representative - Microbiology Products  
Company/Real Estate Broker.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2006-Present.

Committee Assignments
Vice-Chair, Marine Resources and Aquaculture; Member, Appropriations,  
Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Education, Education  
Subcommittee on Community Colleges, Environment and Natural Resources,  
Juvenile Justice and Local Government II.
William C. McGee
Republican, Forsyth County

Seventy-Fifth Representative District: Portions of Forsyth County

Early Years
Born in King, Stokes County, on February 21, 1936, to William and Kathryn Hauser McGee.

Educational Background
Old Richmond High School, Tobaccoville, 1954; B.S. in Business Administration, High Point University, 1959.

Professional Background
Retired Stock Broker, Smith Barney.

Political Activities

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Clemmons Civic Club; Clemmons Rotary Club.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Appalachian State University Foundation; Northwest Piedmont Council of Governments; Forsyth County Transportation Advisory Board.

Military Service
E-4 (Specialist), N.C. National Guard, Artillery Branch, 1958; Reserves, 1958-1964.

Honors and Awards

Personal Information
Married, Diane Bingham McGee. Two children. Four grandchildren.

Committee Assignments
Vice-Chair, Pensions and Retirement; Member, Commerce, Small Business, and Entrepreneurship, Finance, Mental Health Reform and Transportation.
Marian Nelson McLawhorn
Democrat, Pitt County

Ninth Representative District: Portions of Pitt County

Early Years
Born in Kinston, Lenoir County, to Richard Alonza and Murle
Chapman Harvey Nelson.

Educational Background
Grifton High School, Grifton, 1961; B.S. in Business Administration,
East Carolina University, 1967; Masters in Library Science, ECU, 1988; Education

Professional Background
Media.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 1999-Present; Mayor, Town of Grifton,

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Business and Professional Women; Women's Forum, Greenville/Pitt County Chamber
of Commerce.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Democratic Whip, N.C. House, 2003-2004; Board of Directors, Sheppard Memorial
Library Board, 1990-96 (Chair, 1993-95); Board of Directors, Grifton Civic Center
Board, 1993-97 (Chair, 1994-96); Board of Directors, Grifton Library, 1990-92.

Honors and Awards
1999 Career Woman of the Year, BPW; Library Champion Award, N.C. Public Library
Directors Association; 1995 and 1998 Educator Spotlight Award, Craven County.

Personal Information
Married to Richard Herman McLawhorn, III; Four children. Three grandchildren.

Committee Assignments
Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Vice-Chair, Appropriations and
Education Subcommittee on Community Colleges; Member, Education, Health,
Homeland Security, Military, and Veterans Affairs, Mental Health Reform, Pensions
and Retirement, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and Wildlife
Resources.
Henry M. Michaux, Jr.
Democrat, Durham County

_Thirty-First Representative District: Portions of Durham County_

**Early Years**
Born in Durham, Durham County, on September 4, 1930, to Henry McKinley and Isadore Coates Michaux, Sr.

**Educational Background**
Palmer Memorial Institute, 1948; B.S., N.C. Central University, 1952; J.D., N.C. Central University School of Law, 1964; Graduate Studies, Rutgers University and N.C. Central University.

**Professional Background**
Attorney; Executive-Vice President and Director: Union Insurance and Realty Company.

**Political Activities**

**Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations**
N.C. State and National Bar Associations; N.C. Association of Black Lawyers; George H. White Bar Association.

**Military Service**
Sgt., U.S. Army, 1952-54; Reserves, 1954-60.

**Honors and Awards**
Honorary Doctor of Law, N.C. Central University and Durham College.

**Personal Information**
Married, June W. Michaux. Two children.

**Committee Assignments**
Senior-Chair, Appropriations; Vice-Chair, Member, Election Law and Campaign Finance Reform; Member, Education, Education Subcommittee on Universities, Judiciary III, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and University Board of Governors Nominating.
Grey Mills
Republican, Iredell County

Ninety-Fifth Representative District: Portions of Iredell County

Early Years
Born to Paul and Jean Brannon Mills.

Educational Background

Professional Background
Attorney, Mills & Levine, P.A.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2009-Present.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Member, State Bar; Member, Mooresville/South Iredell Chamber of Commerce; Member, Mooresville First Baptist Church.

Personal Information
Married, Jennifer Marion Mills. Three children.

Committee Assignments
Annie W. Mobley  
Democrat, Hertford County

*Fifth Representative District: Bertie, Gates, Hertford and Perquimans counties*

**Early Years**
Born on January 25.

**Professional Background**
Retired Executive Director.

**Political Activities**
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2007-Present.

**Personal Information**
Married Leonard Mobley.

**Committee Assignments**
Chair, Juvenile Justice; Vice-Chair, State Government/State Personnel; Member, Aging, Agriculture, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on Justice and Public Safety and Judiciary I.
Timothy Keith Moore  
**Republican, Cleveland County**

*One Hundred-Eleventh Representative District: Portions of Cleveland County*

**Early Years**
Born in Kings Mountain, Cleveland County, on October 2, 1970, to Rick and Jean Moore.

**Educational Background**
Kings Mountain High School, 1988; Campbell University, 1988-1990; B.A. in Political Science, UNC-Chapel Hill, 1992; J.D., Oklahoma City University, 1995.

**Professional Background**
Attorney, Tim Moore, Attorney At Law.

**Political Activities**
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2003-Present.

**Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations**
Boy Scouts; Rotary Club.

**Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions**
UNC Board of Governors; Cleveland County Economic Development Commission; Cleveland County Board of Adjustment.

**Personal Information**
Married Juliet McRae Moore. Two children.

**Committee Assignments**
Vice-Chair, University Board of Governors Nominating; Member, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on Justice and Public Safety, Judiciary II, Public Utilities and Transportation.
Wil Neumann
Republican, Gaston County

One Hundred-Eighth Representative District: Portions of Gaston County

Early Years
Born in Winston-Salem, Forsyth County, on August 14, to Ernest F. and Peggy Sell Neumann, III.

Educational Background

Professional Background
Consultant, Hawkeye Enterprises, LLC.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2006-Present.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Pathways; Gaston Family Health Services; CaroMont Health Care.

Honors and Awards
Legislator of the Year, Community Health Center, 2009.

Personal Information
Married Heather Dorothy Neumann. Two children.

Committee Assignments
Vice-Chair, Health; Member, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Resources, Energy and Energy Efficiency, Financial Institutions, Judiciary I, Mental Health Reform and Public Utilities.
William Clarence Owens, Jr.
Democrat, Pasquotank County

First Representative District: Camden, Currituck, Pasquotank and Tyrrell counties

Early Years
Born in Elizabeth City, Pasquotank County, on April 2, 1947, to William C. and Hazel Marie Markham Owens.

Educational Background
Elizabeth City High School, 1965; College of the Albemarle, 1965-67.

Professional Background
Businessman, President, W.W. Owens Moving and Storage.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 1995-Present; Pasquotank County Board of Commissioners, 1976-95.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Involved in many civic and charitable organizations, past and present.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Advisory Budget Commission; Vice-Chair, N.C. Economic Development Board, Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations.

Military Service

Honors and Awards
1993 County Commissioner of the Year; 1993 Pasquotank County Industrialist of the Year; 1980 VFW Citizen of the Year.

Personal Information
One child. Three grandchildren.

Committee Assignments
Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on Capital and Rules, Calendar and Operations of the House; Vice-Chair, Appropriations and Water Resources and Infrastructure; Member, Commerce, Small Business and Entrepreneurship, Environment and Natural Resources, Finance and Local Government II.
Diane McChesney Parfitt  
Democrat, Cumberland County

(appointed February 19, 2010)

Forty-Fourth Representative District: Portions of Cumberland County

Early Years
Born in Temple, Texas, on January 1, 1946, to Earl Edward and Laura Stutts McChesney.

Educational Background

Professional Background
Owner, City Center Gallery & Books.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2010-Present.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Kiwanis Club of Fayetteville; Networth – Woman’s Professional Organization; Fayetteville Downtown Alliance.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Governor’s Task Force on Healthy Carolinians.

Honors and Awards
Sigma Theta Tau – National Nursing Honor Society, Awarded at UNC, Chapel Hill, 1972.

Personal Information

Committee Assignments
Vice-Chair, Education Subcommittee on Universities; Member, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Commerce, Small Business and Entrepreneurship, Education, Health and Homeland Security, Military, and Veterans Affairs.
Earline W. Parmon  
Democrat, Forsyth County  

Seventy-Second Representative District: Portions of Forsyth County  

Early Years  
Born Buffaloe, New York, in 1943, to James and Margaret White Cathcart.  

Educational Background  

Professional Background  
Education Consultant.  

Political Activities  
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2003-Present; Forsyth County Commissioner, 1990-2002.  

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations  
Board of Directors, Forsyth County Library; Board of Trustees, Forsyth Memorial Hospital; N.C. State Team Leader, Veteran Affairs Project, National Foundation for Women Legislators.  

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions  
First black elected as Chair of the Forsyth County Democratic Party; Forsyth County Board of Commissioners, 1990-2002.  

Military Service  

Honors and Awards  
NCABCO Legislative Award, National Association of Black County Officials, 2004; Outstanding Commissioner of the Year, N.C. Association of Black Commissioners, 2001; Shirley Chisholm Legacy Award, Union Chapel Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, 2004.  

Personal Information  
Married Albert Parmon. Four children. Five grandchildren.  

Committee Assignments  
Chair, Education Subcommittee on Pre-School, Elementary and Secondary Education; Vice-Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on Education and Education; Member, Appropriations, Health, Judiciary II, Juvenile Justice and Mental Health Reform.
Garland E. Pierce  
Democrat, Scotland County  

Forty-Eighth Representative District: Portions of Hoke, Robeson and Scotland counties  

Early Years  
Born on July 9.  

Professional Background  
Baptist Minister.  

Political Activities  
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2005-Present.  

Military Service  

Personal Information  
Married Barbara Pierce.  

Committee Assignments  
Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on Natural and Economic Resources; Vice-Chair, Aging, Appropriations, Federal Relations and Indian Affairs; Member, Commerce, Small Business, and Entrepreneurship, Insurance and Juvenile Justice.
Shirley B. Randleman  
Republican, Wilkes County  

Ninety-Fourth  Representative District: Portions of Wilkes County  

Early Years  
Born in North Wilkesboro, Wilkes County, on October 14, 1950, to Lawson E. and Faye Walsh Jordan Blackburn.  

Educational Background  
Wilkes Central High School, Wilkesboro, 1968; Wilkes Community College.  

Professional Background  
NC House/District 94.  

Political Activities  
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2008-Present; Clerk of Superior Court for Wilkes County.  

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations  
North Carolina Healthy Carolinians; Wilkes County Mental Health/Substance Abuse Task Forces; Past President/Association of Clerk of Superior Court of N.C.  

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions  
Youth Accountability Task Force/Legislative Appointment; Oversight Committee/Corrections, Crime Control and Public Safety; Secretary/Legislative Joint Women’s Caucus.  

Personal Information  
Married Ronnie L. Randleman. Two children. Two grandchildren.  

Committee Assignments  
Ray Rapp
Democrat, Madison County

One Hundred-Eighteenth Representative District: Madison, and Portions of Haywood and Yancey counties

Early Years
Born in Danbury, Connecticut, on February 11, 1945, to Harold B. and Elsie Frost Rapp.

Educational Background

Professional Background
Retired College Administrator, Mars Hill College.

Political Activities

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Former President, Madison County Chamber of Commerce; Board of Directors, Hand Made in America; Board of Directors, Southern Appalachian Highland Conservancy.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Past Member, Board of Directors, Land of Sky Regional Council; Past Member, N.C. Local Government Commission; Former Chair, Board of Directors, Appalachian Consortium.

Honors and Awards
Patrick Henry Award for Support of N.C. National Guard, 2004; Outstanding Public Servant Award, Land of Sky Regional Council; Grumman Award for Outstanding Adult Educator, N.C. Adult Education Association, 1995.

Personal Information
Married Dorothy Rutler Rapp. Two children. Two grandchildren.

Committee Assignments
Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Vice-Chair, Appropriations and Health; Member, Commerce, Small Business and Entrepreneurship, Education, Education Subcommittee on Pre-School, Elementary and Secondary Education, Transportation and University of Governors Nominating.
Johnathan Rhyne, Jr.
Republican, Lincoln County

Ninety-Seventh Representative District: Portions of Lincoln County

Early Years
Born in Charlotte, Mecklenburg County, June 6, 1955 to Johnathan L. and Marian Lavinia (Stowe) Rhyne, Sr.

Educational Background
Lincolnton High School, 1973; B.A. in Sociology, Davidson College, 1977; J.D., Campbell University School of Law, 1981.

Professional Background
Attorney.

Political Activities

Committee Assignments
Member, Education, Education Subcommittee on Universities, Ethics, Finance, Financial Institutions, Judiciary II and Wildlife Resources.
Efton Medford Sager
Republican, Wayne County

Eleventh Representative District: Portions of Wayne County

Early Years
Born in Galena, MO, on June 10, 1933, to Arthur F. and Edna Jones Sager.

Educational Background
Pierce City High School, Pierce City, MO, 1951; Associate Business, Wayne Community, 1981.

Professional Background
Retired.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2008-Present; Wayne County Commissioner, 2000-2008; Southern Wayne Sanitary District, 1975-77.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Life Member, DAV; Life Member, VFW; American Legion.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Wayne County Board of Elections; East Carolina Council of Government; Wayne County Health Board.

Military Service

Personal Information
Married Deloris Parsons Saeger. Two children. Two grandchildren.

Committee Assignments
Ruth Samuelson  
**Republican, Mecklenburg County**

One Hundred-Fourth Representative District: Portions of Mecklenburg County

**Early Years**
Born in Charleston, S.C. on November 4, to Bob and Peggy Culbertson.

**Educational Background**

**Professional Background**
President, Ruth: Philanthropy in Motion.

**Political Activities**
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2006-Present; Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners, 2000-2004.

**Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations**
Sustainer Member, Junior League of Charlotte; Member, National Board of Peacemaker Ministries; Charlotte Trustee, Speedway Charities.

**Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions**
President’s Council, Central Piedmont Community College; Board of Visitors, Johnson C. Smith University; Board of Counselors, Catawba Lands Conservancy.

**Honors and Awards**

**Personal Information**
Married to Ken Samuelson. Four children. One grandchild.

**Committee Assignments**
Vice-Chair, Aging and Energy and Energy Efficiency; Member, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on Natural and Economic Resources, Commerce, Small Business, and Entrepreneurship, Education, Education Subcommittee on Universities, Environment and Natural Resources, Local Government II and Water Resources and Infrastructure.
Mitchell Smith Setzer
Republican, Catawba County

Eighty-Ninth Representative District: Portions of Catawba and Iredell counties

Early Years
Born in Newton, Catawba County, on March 12, 1965, to William Neil and Dorothy Annas Setzer.

Educational Background

Professional Background
Vice-President, Smith Setzer & Sons, Inc.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 1999-Present; Mayor, Town of Catawba, 1996-98; Commissioner, Town of Catawba, 1992-96.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Riverside Masonic Lodge #606; Catawba Chapter #124, Order of the Eastern Star; Claremont Lions Club.

Honors and Awards
Honorary Lifetime Member, N.C. Troopers Association; 1995 Merit Award, Riverside Masonic Lodge; 1994-95 Merit Award, Catawba Chapter #124, Order of the Eastern Star.

Committee Assignments
Vice-Chair, Insurance; Member, Ethics, Finance, Financial Institutions and Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.
Timothy Lee Spear  
Democrat, Washington County  

*Second Representative District: Chowan, Dare, Hyde and Washington counties*

**Early Years**  
Born in Columbia, Tyrrell County, on January 21, 1952, to Louis and Doris Hassell Spear.

**Educational Background**  

**Professional Background**  
Retired. Former Washington County, N.C. Clerk of Superior Court.

**Political Activities**  
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2006-Present; Washington County Clerk of Superior Court, 1982-2005; Washington County Board of Education.

**Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations**  
Creswell Ruritan Club; Eastern 4H Center Advisory Board.

**Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions**  
Roanoke River Basin Bi-State Commission; N.C. Interagency Center for Children; N.C. Courts Commission.

**Honors and Awards**  
Order of the Long Leaf Pine, Governor Mike Easley, 2005; Honorary Member District Bar Association, 2005; Outstanding Young Law Enforcement Officer, Plymouth Jaycees, 1980.

**Personal Information**  
Married, Judith Esther Davenport Spear. Two children. Four grandchildren.

**Personal Information**  
Chair, Marine Resources and Aquaculture; Vice-Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on Justice and Public Safety; Member, Appropriations, Financial Institutions, Judiciary II, Local Government II and Wildlife Resources.
Edgar V. Starnes
Republican, Caldwell County

Eighty-Seventh Representative District: Portions of Caldwell County

Early Years
Born in Hickory, Catawba County, on September 3, 1956, to Ray C. and Sara Capshaw Starnes.

Educational Background

Professional Background
Self Employed Investor.

Political Activities

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
ASCS State Committee, 1981-84; Granite Falls Rotary Club; Board Chairman, Lovelady Rescue Squad.

Personal Information
Married, Marilyn Coats Starnes. One child.

Committee Assignments
Vice-Chair, Commerce, Small Business, and Entrepreneurship; Member, Agriculture, Alcoholic Beverage Control, Election Law and Campaign Finance Reform and Finance.
Sarah S. Stevens  
Republican, Surry County

*Ninetieth Representative District: Portions of Alleghany and Surry counties*

**Early Years**
Born in Mount Airy, Surry County on February 15 to Bobby Guy and Mary Chilton Stevens.

**Educational Background**
Mt. Airy High School, 1978; B.S., UNC, Greensboro, 1978; J.D., Campbell University, 1986.

**Professional Background**
Attorney, Sarah Stevens, Attorney At Law.

**Political Activities**
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2009-Present.

**Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations**
Greater Mount Airy Ministry of Hospitality, Inc.; Surry County Bar; N.C. Bar Association.

**Honors and Awards**
Pace Setter Award, UNC, Greensboro, 2010.

**Personal Information**

**Committee Assignments**
Member, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on Justice and Public Safety, Judiciary I, Juvenile Justice, Science and Technology and Ways and Means/Broadband Connectivity.
Randy Stewart  
Democrat, Nash County  
Twenty-Fifth Representative District: Portions of Nash County  

Professional Background  
Physical Therapist.  

Political Activities  
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2009-Present.  

Committee Assignments  
Vice-Chair, Commerce, Small Business, and Entrepreneurship; Member, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, Education, Education Subcommittee on Universities, Health, Local Government II and University Board of Governors Nominating.
Bonner L. Stiller  
Republican, Brunswick County  
(resigned June 15, 2009)  
Seventeenth Representative District: Portions of Brunswick County

Early Years  
Born in Southport, Brunswick County, on May 10, 1956, to Kenneth S. and Gloria Hewitt Stiller.

Educational Background  
South Brunswick High School, 1974; B.S., East Carolina University, 1978; J.D., N.C. Central University.

Professional Background  
Attorney, Stiller and Disbrow.

Political Activities  

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations  
Oak Island Fishing Club; Southport-Oak Island Chamber of Commerce; N.C. Bar Association.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions  
N.C. Seafood and Aquaculture Commission; Blue Ribbon Task Force on Rising Cost of Health Care Commission; Medical Malpractice Commission.

Honors and Awards  
Brunswick County College, 2004; Brunswick County Board of Education, 2003.

Personal Information  
Married Julie Carver Stiller. Four children.

Committee Assignments  
Vice-Chair, Judiciary I; Member, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on Natural and Economic Resources, Education, Education Subcommittee on Universities, Environment and Natural Resources and Transportation.
Ronnie Neal Sutton
Democrat, Robeson County

Forty-Seventh Representative District: Portions of Robeson County

Educational Background
Magnolia High School; B.A. and M.S., University of West Florida
Naval War College, 1970-77; M.A., Central Michigan University,

Professional Background
Attorney, Ronnie Sutton Law Office; Retired Naval Officer.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 1993-Present.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
N.C. Bar Association; N.C. Academy of Trial Lawyers; President, Kiwanis, 1990; Life
Member, VFW.

Military Service
Aviator and Commander, U.S. Navy, 22 years; 600 combat hours, Vietnam; Two Air

Personal Information

Committee Assignments
Chair, Federal Relations and Indian Affairs and Judiciary III; Vice-Chair, Appropriations
Subcommittee on Justice and Public Safety; Member, Alcoholic Beverage Control,
Appropriations, Homeland Security, Military and Veterans Affairs, Pender/New
Hanover Redistricting, State Government/State Personnel and Transportation.
Cullie M. Tarleton  
Democrat, Watauga County  

Ninety-Third Representative District: Ashe and Watauga counties

Early Years  
Born in Marshville, Union County, on January 15, 1939, to Julian C. and Johnsie Phifer Tarleton.

Educational Background  
Marshville High School, Marshville, 1956.

Professional Background  
Retired.

Political Activities  
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2007-Present.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations  
Hunger and Health Coalition, Boone, N.C.; N.C. Association of Broadcasters; Blowing Rock Rotary Club.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions  
N.C. Zoological Park Council; Blowing Rock Planning Board.

Military Service  
2nd Lt., N.C. National Guard, U.S. Army, 1956-1964; US. Army Reserves.

Honors and Awards  
Hall of Fame, N.C. Association of Broadcasters, 2004; Distinguished Service Award, N.C. Association of Broadcasters, 1982; Young Man of the Year Distinguished Service Award, Charlotte Jaycees, 1971.

Personal Information  

Committee Assignments  
Chair, Commerce, Small Business, and Entrepreneurship and Water Resources and Infrastructure; Vice-Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on Education and Environment and Natural Resources; Member, Agriculture, Appropriations, Education, Education Subcommittees on Universities and Energy and Energy Efficiency.
Joe P. Tolson  
Democrat, Edgecombe County

Twenty-Third Representative District: Portions of Edgecombe and Wilson counties

**Early Years**  
Born inTarboro, Edgecombe County, on April 15, 1941, to T.L., Sr., and Effie Proctor Tolson.

**Educational Background**  
South Edgecombe High School, Pinetops, 1959; B.S. in Biology, Atlantic Christian College, 1963; M.Ed. in Educational Administration, University of Virginia, 1969.

**Professional Background**  
Retired Educator.

**Political Activities**  
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 1997-Present.

**Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations**  
Pinetops Lions Club.

**Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions**  

**Honors and Awards**  
N.C. Electronic Information Technologies Association (NCEITA) Leadership Award, 2000.

**Personal Information**  
Married, Janice Brafford Tolson. Three children. One grandchild.

**Committee Assignments**  
Chair, Appropriations; Vice-Chair, Energy and Energy Efficiency and Science and Technology; Member, Agriculture, Education, Education Subcommittee on Community Colleges, Ethics and Pensions and Retirement and Ways and Means/Broadband Connectivity.
Russell E. Tucker
Democrat, Duplin County

*Fourth Representative District: Duplin and Portions of Onslow counties*

**Personal Background**
Born in Magnolia, Duplin County, to Hubert Ellis and Emma Ola Boney Tucker.

**Educational Background**

**Professional Background**
Retired Government Finance Officer.

**Political Activities**

**Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations**
Woodmen of the World; Liberty Hall Historical Restoration Commission; Duplin County Habitat for Humanity; Duplin County Historical Society.

**Personal Information**
Married to Geraldine Williams Tucker. Two children. Four grandchildren.

**Committee Assignments**
Chair, Pensions and Retirement; Vice-Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government, Local Government II and Public Utilities; Member, Agriculture, Appropriations and Environment and Natural Resources.
Alice Graham Underhill
Democrat, Craven County

Third Representative District: Pamlico and Portions of Craven counties

Early Years
Born in Raleigh, Wake County, on March 8, 1946.

Educational Background

Professional Background
Law Librarian.

Political Activities

Personal Information
Married T. Reed Underhill. Three children. Four grandchildren.

Committee Assignments
Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government; Vice-Chair, Appropriations and Environment and Natural Resources; Member, Agriculture, Election Law and Campaign Finance Reform, Homeland Security, Military, and Veterans Affairs, Judiciary III, Marine Resources and Aquaculture and Water Resources and Infrastructure.
Edith D. Warren
Democrat, Pitt County

Eighth Representative District: Martin and Portions of Pitt counties

Early Years
Born in Edgecombe County, on January 29, 1937, to James Murray and Nora Elizabeth Downs Doughtie.

Educational Background

Professional Background
Retired Educator.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 1999-Present; Pitt County Board of Commissioners, 1996-98.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Council on Educational Services for Exceptional Children; N.C. Interagency Council for Coordinating Homeless Programs; Interagency Council for Children with Disabilities.

Honors and Awards
Pitt County Principal of the Year, 1990; Farmville Citizen of the Year, 1996; Ralph Kimbel Award, 2003, N.C. Principals and Assistant Principals Association.

Personal Information

Committee Assignments
Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on Natural and Economic Resources; Vice-Chair, Appropriations and Education Subcommittee on Pre-School, Elementary and Secondary Education; Member, Agriculture, Commerce, Small Business, and Entrepreneurship, Education, Local Government II, University Board of Governors Nominating and Water Resources and Infrastructure.
Ray Warren  
Democrat, Alexander County

Eighty-Eighth Representative District: Alexander and Portions of Catawba counties

Early Years  
Born in Alexander County, on December 16, 1941, to Thomas and Ruby Walker Warren.

Educational Background  

Professional Background  
Retired Sheriff.

Political Activities  
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2007-Present.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations  

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions  
Judicial Standards Commission.

Military Service  
Sgt. E-5, 9th Infantry, U.S. Army, 1966-1968. Good Conduct Award, Bravery Citation, Vietnam Service Award.

Honors and Awards  
Governor’s Order of the Long Leaf Pine, 2001; Citizen of the Year, Alexander County Chamber, 2002; Key to the County, Alexander County Commissioners, 2007.

Personal Information  
Married, Iran Pennell Warren.

Committee Assignments  
Chair, Alcoholic Beverage Control; Vice-Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on Justice and Public Safety and Judiciary III; Member, Appropriations, Education, Education Subcommittee on Community Colleges, Homeland Security, Military, and Veterans Affairs and Water Resources and Infrastructure.
Jennifer Weiss
Democrat, Wake County

Thirty-Fifth Representative District: Portions of Wake County

Early Years
Born in Somerville, N.J., on October 29, 1959.

Educational Background

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 1999-Present.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
School Volunteer; League of Women Voters.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Justus-Warren Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention Task Force; N.C. Child Fatality Task Force.

Honors and Awards

Personal Information
Married to Bruce Alan Hamilton. Two children.

Committee Assignments
Chair, Finance; Vice-Chair, Aging and Judiciary II; Member, Health, Juvenile Justice and Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.
Thomas Roger West  
Republican, Cherokee County

One Hundred-Twentieth Representative District: Cherokee, Clay, Graham and Portions of Macon counties

Early Years
Born in Murphy, Cherokee County, on November 1, 1948, to Herman and Margie Bryson West.

Educational Background

Professional Background
Contractor, Roger West Contracting.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2000-Present.

Military Service

Personal Information
Married, Judy Ann Gaddis West. Two children.

Committee Assignments
Vice-Chair, Wildlife Resources; Member, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on Natural and Economic Resources, Environment and Natural Resources, Federal Relations and Indian Affairs and Judiciary I.
Laura I. Wiley  
Republican, Guilford County  

Sixty-First Representative District: Portions of Guilford County

Early Years  
Born on September 7.

Professional Background  
Former Educator.

Political Activities  
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2005-Present.

Personal Information  
Married, Bruce Wiley.

Committee Assignments  
Vice-Chair, Education Subcommittee on Pre-School, Elementary and Secondary Education; Member, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on Education, Education, Judiciary III, Local Government II, Mental Health Reform and State Government/State Personnel.
W. A. (Winkie) Wilkins, Jr.
Democrat, Person County

Fifty-Fifth Representative District: Person and Portions of Durham counties

Early Years
Born in Roxboro, Person County, on January 31, 1941, to Winfrey A. and Sue Satterfield Wilkins.

Educational Background

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2005-Present.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
The Rocket Club (Person High School Booster Club), 1971-Present; Volunteer Chairman/Organizer, Roxboro Christmas Parade, 1971-1987; Budget Committee Chairman, Person County United Way, 1980s.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Chairman, Person County Bicentennial Committee, 1971-1976; Member, Person County Throughfare Advisory Committee, 2005-Present.

Military Service

Honors and Awards
Named One of Person County’s Most Influential Citizens Between the years 1970-2000, Piedmont Community College, 2000; Won 23 Editorial Awards while with The Courier-Times in Roxboro, N.C. Press Association, 1971-1997; Rocket Club Annual Service Award Winner.

Personal Information
Married, Frances McNairy Wilkins. Two children. Two grandchildren.

Committee Assignments
Chair, State Government/State Personnel; Vice-Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on Natural and Economic Resources and Commerce, Small Business, and Entrepreneurship; Member, Appropriations, Education, Education Subcommittee on Community Colleges, Health, Transportation and Ways and Means/Broadband Connectivity.
Arthur J. Williams, III
Democrat, Beaufort County

Sixth Representative District: Beaufort and Portions of Pitt counties

*Early Years*
Born in Washington, Beaufort County, on September 19, 1941, to Arthur J. Jr. and Anne Padgett Williams.

*Educational Background*

*Professional Background*
Retired.

*Political Activities*
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2003-Present.

*Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations*
Ruritan Club; Economic Development; Cooperative Bank.

*Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions*
Beaufort County Hospital Foundation Board; Beaufort County Community College Board; Wildlife Resources Commission.

*Military Service*

*Honors and Awards*
Long Leaf Pine, 2002; Committee 100, 2006; Rotarian of the Year, 2003.

*Personal Information*
Married, Ginny Daniels Williams. Two children. Five grandchildren.

*Committee Assignments*
Chair, Wildlife Resources; Vice-Chair, Agriculture, Financial Institutions, Marine Resources and Aquaculture and Transportation; Member, Appropriations, Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and University Board of Governors Nominating.
Larry W. Womble  
Democrat, Forsyth County  

Seventy-First Representative District: Portions of Forsyth County  

**Early Years**  
Born in Winston-Salem, Forsyth County, on June 6, 1941, to Owen Luchion and Dorothy Gwyn Womble.  

**Educational Background**  

**Professional Background**  
Retired Educator, Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Schools.  

**Political Activities**  
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 1995-Present; City Council, City of Winston-Salem, 1981-1993.  

**Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations**  
National League of Cities; Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, 1962-Present; N.C. Legislative Black Caucus, 1995-Present.  

**Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions**  
Old Hickory Boy Scouts; NAACP; National Black Caucus of State Legislators, 1995-Present.  

**Honors and Awards**  
State Human Service Award, N.C. Black Social Workers, 1992; Assistant Principal of the Year, State of N.C., 1992; Man of the Year Award, Chronicle Newspaper, 1986.  

**Personal Information**  
One child.  

**Committee Assignments**  
Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on Capital and Education Subcommittee on Universities; Vice-Chair, Appropriations, Education and Finance; Member, Environment and Natural Resources, Local Government I, State Government/State Personnel and University Board of Governors Nominating.
Michael H. Wray
Democrat, Northampton County

Twenty-Seventh Representative District: North Hampton, Warren and Portions of Vance counties

Early Years
Born in Roanoke Rapids, Halifax County, On April 6, 1967, to Harold Weathers and Shirley Doris Clary Wray.

Educational Background
Northeast Academy, Lasker, 1986; Barton College.

Professional Background
Businessman/Developer, Wray Developments.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 2005-Present; Commissioner, Town of Gaston.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Rotary Club; Lions Club; National Wildlife Turkey Federation.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
N.C. Economic Development Board; N.C. Board of CPA Examiners; Governor’s Crime Commission.

Personal Information
Married, Kay Elizabeth Woodard Wray. Two children.

Committee Assignments
Chair, Insurance; Vice-Chair, Appropriations Subcommittee on Natural and Economic Resources and Wildlife Resources; Member, Agriculture, Appropriations, Commerce, Small Business, and Entrepreneurship and Transportation.
Douglas Yates Yongue
Democrat, Scotland County

Forty-Sixth Representative District: Portions of Hoke, Robeson and Scotland counties

Early Years
Born in Lumberton, Robeson County, on March 20, 1937, to Robert Eugene, Jr., and Elizabeth Gibson Yongue.

Educational Background
Laurinburg High School, 1955; A.A., Edwards Military Institute, 1957; B.S. in Industrial Arts, East Carolina University, 1959; M.A. in Industrial Arts and Administration, East Carolina University, 1960; Completed 45 hours at East Carolina University and Western Carolina University to obtain State Certification in Guidance and Counseling, 1965; Ph.D. in Education, Nova University, 1986.

Professional Background
Retired Educator/General Contractor.

Political Activities
Member, N.C. House of Representatives, 1994-Present.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations
Phi Delta Kappa; Lumberton Rotary Club, Saint Luke United Methodist Church.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions
Southern Regional Education Board and Vice-Chair of Legislative Advisory Council; Public School Forum, Board of Directors and Executive Committee; Industrial Extension Service, Advisory Board.

Honors and Awards

Personal Information
Married, Mildred Hurley Yongue. Two children.

Committee Assignments
Chair, Appropriations; Vice-Chair, Ethics; Member, Education, Education Subcommittee on Universities, Federal Relations and Indian Affairs, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House and State Government/State Personnel.
Denise Gale Weeks
N.C. House Principal Clerk

**Early Years**
Born in Raleigh, Wake County, on July 22, 1955, to Mack and Winnifred Stephenson Weeks.

**Educational Background**

**Professional Background**

**Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations**
American Society of Legislative Clerks and Secretaries (Secretary/Treasurer, 1997; President Elect, 1998; President, 1999); Administrator, N.C. Seafood Festival, 1988.

**Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions**
Mason’s Manual Study Commission.

**Personal Information**
Married, Henry J. Burke.
James H. Harry  
N.C. House Chaplain

Early Years  

Educational Background  

Professional Background  
Minister, Trinity United Methodist Church, Raleigh, 2000-Present; Minister, Franklinton United Methodist Church, Franklinton, 1998-2000; Associate Minister, Highland United Methodist Church, Raleigh, 1994-1998.

Political Activities  

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations  

Personal Information  
Married Robin Greene Harry. Two children.
Robert Samuels  
N.C. House Sergeant-at-Arms

Early Years  
Born in High Point, Guilford County, on November 24, 1930, to Albert Phillip and Josie Leona Robinson Samuels.

Educational Background  
High Point High School, 1949; UNC-Chapel Hill, 1954; N.C. Highway Patrol School.

Professional Background  
Chief Deputy, Mecklenburg County Sheriff’s Department, 1985-95; N.C. State Highway Patrol, 1954-85.

Political Activities  
Sergeant-at-Arms, N.C. House of Representatives, 1999-Present.

Business/Professional, Charitable/Civic or Community Service Organizations  
Member, National Legislative Services and Security Association; Master Mason, Southern Pines Lodge 484; Shriner Oasis Temple, Charlotte; Fraternal Order of Police.

Elective and Appointed Boards and Commissions  
Board of Trustees (Past Chair) and Member, Finance Committee, Past President, Methodist Men, Commonwealth United Methodist Church, Charlotte.

Military Service  
Sgt., U.S. Marine Corps, 1951-54.

Personal Information  
John H. Young  
N.C. House Acting Reading Clerk

**Early Years**  
Born in Birmingham, AL, on July 28, 1942, to Bonnie Westbrook.

**Educational Background**  

**Political Activities**  
Acting Reading Clerk, N.C. House of Representatives, 2003-Present.

**Personal Information**  
Married, Cheryl Grant Young. One child.