

Congressman Pete Aguilar

Pete Aguilar represents the 31st Congressional District of California. He was first elected in 2014 and serves on the House Appropriations Committee. In the 115th Congress, Rep. Aguilar holds the leadership positions of Whip of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus and is an Assistant Whip in the House Democratic Caucus. Representative Aguilar is a voice for middle-class families throughout San Bernardino County and prioritizes legislation that will nurture a more fair economy where everyone has the opportunity to succeed. He is committed to policies that create jobs, reform our broken immigration system, support our students, and safeguard vital programs for seniors and veterans. Rep. Aguilar previously served as the Mayor of Redlands, California, where he earned a reputation for his bipartisanship and steadfast commitment to making his community a better place to live, work, and raise a family. He resides in Redlands with his wife Alisha and their two sons.

Sue Ansel

Sue Ansel is President and Chief Executive Officer. In her 25 plus years with Gables, she has held positions in acquisitions, development, and operations and has led important company initiatives including the advancement of real estate technology efforts and third-party client services. Sue serves on several boards and committees including serving as an officer on the Executive Committee of the National Multi-Housing Council, The Dallas Summer Musical Board of Directors and DePauw University's Board of Trustees. Sue is also a member of the Urban Land Institute and a graduate of DePauw University.

Doug Bibby

Douglas M. Bibby is President of the National Multifamily Housing Council (NMHC), a national organization of more than 1,100 member firms involved in the multifamily housing industry. Under his leadership NMHC represents the industry on Capitol Hill and before the regulatory agencies, promotes research and the exchange of information, and advocates for rental housing across a broad spectrum of issues. Prior to joining NMHC, Bibby spent 16 years as a senior officer of Fannie Mae, where he served on the company's Management Committee throughout his tenure. He was part of the top management team that is credited with the remarkable turnaround at Fannie Mae in the book Good to Great.

Bibby began his career with the worldwide communications firm J. Walter Thompson where he served a variety of clients both domestically and internationally over his 12-year career with the company. At the time of his departure from J. Walter Thompson, he was Senior Vice President and General Manager of the firm's Washington, D.C. operations. Bibby has been active in the non-profit community of Washington, D.C. for the past 30 years.

Bibby graduated from Denison University with a B.A. degree and was honored with the university's Alumni Citation Award in 2004. He also holds a Masters of Business Administration degree from the University of Texas at Austin.

Congressman Kevin Brady

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Jeffrey Brodsky

Jeffrey I. Brodsky is Vice Chairman of Related Companies where he works closely with Related's executive team to optimize business development and drive improved performance and results, across the platform and internationally. Mr. Brodsky joined Related affordable housing development group in 1982 and served as President of Related Management and Executive Vice President of Related Affordable - positions he has held for the last 18 years.

Mr. Brodsky is a member of the Real Estate Board of New York Residential Management Council and the recipient of its 2006 George M. Brooker Management Executive of the year award, the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Supportive Housing, the National Leased Housing Association, the Realty Advisory Board of N.Y., and served a 4-year role as the Chairman of the Property Management committee of the National Multi-Housing Council. He is the 2009 recipient of the Institute for Real Estate Management (IREM) NY Chapter Certified Property Manager of the Year Award.

He has also been the past Chairman of Urban Green, the US Green Building Council chapter in New York, is a member of FNMA's Green Housing Task Force, and is the current Chairman of the New York Energy Efficiency Corporation. In 2009 Mr. Brodsky initiated Related's National Smoke Free Housing program across all asset classes, the first such program in the U.S. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and a Master's degree in Business Administration from New York University.

DJ Busch

DJ is the lead analyst for Green Street's retail team, managing research for the firm's shopping center, mall, and net lease coverage. As part of his leadership role for these three sectors, DJ also oversees deep coverage of roughly 25 public real estate companies. For eight years, DJ has played a key role in enhancing the firm's mall coverage, including upgrades to Green Street's proprietary interactive mall database, which provides quality grades on over 1,000 U.S. malls. In 2016, DJ and his team produced an innovative research report related to department stores, ecommerce headwinds and the impact on malls. He has been quoted widely in the financial media, including The Economist, The New York Times, The Wall Street Journal, Barron's, and CNBC. DJ is a member of the International Council of Shopping Centers (ICSC) and he serves on its North American Research Task Force (NARTF). He is also a member of the Urban Land Institute (ULI), contributing as an active member on the Commercial and Retail Development Council. Prior to joining Green Street in 2011, DJ was an analyst at Telsey Advisory Group, where he covered retail companies in the discounter, hardline, and supermarket sectors. DJ earned an MBA from New York University's Stern School of Business, and a B.S. in Applied Economics and Management from Cornell University.

Congressman Ben Cardin

A third-generation Marylander, Ben Cardin has been a national leader on health care, retirement security, the environment and fiscal issues while representing the people of Maryland in the U.S. Senate, and before that in the House of Representatives. He has worked across party lines to further U.S. national security and to ensure that good governance, transparency and respect for human rights are integrated into American foreign policy efforts. He believes that every Marylander – every American – deserves a safe and affordable place to call home and he works to promote policies and legislation that help make this more of a reality.

First elected to the Senate in 2006, Senator Cardin currently serves as Ranking Member of the Small Business & Entrepreneurship Committee. He is a senior member of the Senate Foreign Relations and Environment & Public Works committees. He also serves on the Senate Finance Committee.

Nationally, Senator Cardin is a champion of protecting our clean air and clean water. He is the leading proponent of investing in improvements to America's aging water infrastructure system, assisting localities in testing for and removing lead from pipes leading to homes and schools, while also making our communities more resilient in the face of climate change. He is a leading advocate for the Chesapeake Bay, which is the economic, historical and cultural heart of Maryland. Senator Cardin's commitment to reduce pollution and protect our environment fuels his work to broaden investments in safe public transit, as well as walking and bike trails.

A member of the Small Business and Entrepreneurship Committee since arriving in the Senate, Senator Cardin was responsible for the extension of increased guarantees and reduced fees in the Small Business Administration's two largest loan programs. He has been working to find better ways to provide access to credit for qualified small businesses and entrepreneurs, as well as expanding access to contracts for women-owned, minority owned and veteran-owned businesses. He consistently is urging federal agencies to take all steps possible to meet or exceed their modest small business contracting goals. He also has been a strong defender of the federal workforce and has fought to end the harmful effects of sequestration.

Senator Cardin has a deep interest in foreign affairs and has worked across party lines to further our national security and protect universal human rights. He has fought to ensure that anti-corruption, transparency and respect for human rights are integrated our foreign policy. He also has worked to ensure gender equity in national security programs and policies.

Senator Cardin believes access to quality, affordable health care should be a right and not a privilege. He continues to be a strong supporter of the Affordable Care Act, which brought the United States closer to this goal. He led the fight for the Patients' Bill of Rights and, because of his efforts, the law ensures that individuals in private health insurance plans have the right to choose their primary care provider, women have direct access to an ob/gyn, and patients with medical emergencies are guaranteed coverage for necessary ER visits. He was responsible for the elevation of the National Institute for Minority Health Disparities at the National Institutes of Health and has been a strong supporter of increases in funding for federally qualified health care centers and health information technology. Senator Cardin continues to be a leading champion for increased medical research funding for Maryland's world-class universities, NIH, and our State's cutting-edge biotech industry. One of Senator Cardin's

proudest accomplishments was leading the fight to guarantee access to dental care for children in the Children's Health Insurance Program, following the tragic loss of a 12-year-old Prince George's County boy who died after complications that followed an untreated tooth infection.

Serving as a member of the Senate Judiciary Committee during his first four years in the Senate, Senator Cardin also has developed a reputation for defending civil rights at home and has sought to find a balance between protection of civil liberties and national security. He is the lead sponsors of legislation to prohibit racial profiling by all levels of law enforcement, restore voting rights for former felons, and remove the deadline for ratification of the Equal Right Amendment. He has been a proud cosponsor of the Respect for Marriage Act and the Employment Non-Discrimination Act.

From 1987-2006, Ben Cardin represented Maryland's Third Congressional District in the U.S. House of Representatives and served for 17 years on the Ways & Means Committee. He was a member of the Maryland House of Delegates from 1967-1986. During his time as Speaker from 1979-1986, he reformed Maryland's property tax system, the school financing formula and the ethical standards for elected officials.

Secretary Ben Carson

On March 2nd, 2017, Dr. Benjamin S. Carson, Sr., M.D., was sworn in as the 17th Secretary of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

For nearly 30 years, Secretary Carson served as Director of Pediatric Neurosurgery at the Johns Hopkins Children's Center, a position he assumed when he was just 33 years old, becoming the youngest major division director in the hospital's history. In 1987, he successfully performed the first separation of craniopagus twins conjoined at the back of the head. He also performed the first fully successful separation of type-2 vertical craniopagus twins in 1997 in South Africa.

Dr. Carson received dozens of honors and awards in recognition of his achievements including the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the nation's highest civilian honor. He is also a recipient of the Spingarn Medal, the highest honor bestowed by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP).

Dr. Carson authored nine books, four of which he co-wrote with his wife Candy. The U.S. News Media Group and Harvard's Center for Public Leadership named him among "America's Best Leaders" in 2008.

Dr. Carson and his wife co-founded the Carson Scholars Fund, which recognizes young people of all backgrounds for exceptional academic and humanitarian accomplishments. The Fund is currently operating in 50 states and the District of Columbia, and has recognized more than 7,300 scholars, awarded more than \$7.3 million in scholarships, and installed more than 150 Ben Carson Reading Rooms around the country.

Born in Detroit to a single mother with a 3rd grade education who worked multiple jobs to support their family, Secretary Carson was raised to love reading and education. He graduated from Yale University and earned his M.D. from the University of Michigan Medical School. He and his wife are the proud parents of three adult sons and three grandchildren.

Secretary Elaine Chao

Secretary Elaine L. Chao is currently the U. S. Secretary of Transportation. This is her second Cabinet position. She served as U.S. Secretary of Labor from 2001-January 2009 and is the first Asian-American woman to be appointed to the President's Cabinet in American history.

Secretary Chao comes to the U.S. Department of Transportation with extensive experience in the transportation sector. Early in her career, she specialized in transportation financing in the private sector. She began her executive career in public service working on transportation and trade issues at the White House. She then served as Deputy Maritime Administrator, U. S. Department of Transportation; Chairman of the Federal Maritime Commission; and, Deputy Secretary of the U.S. Department of Transportation.

Secretary Chao understands the critical role of the Department in ensuring the safety of our country's transportation systems. She is also keenly aware of the key role infrastructure plays in our nation's economic competitiveness, and in strengthening economic growth in both the urban and rural areas of our country.

Secretary Chao has a distinguished career in the public, private, and nonprofit sectors. An immigrant who arrived in America at the age of eight speaking no English, she received her citizenship at the age of 19. Her experience transitioning to a new country has motivated her to devote most of her professional life to ensuring that everyone has the opportunity to build better lives for themselves and their families. As U.S. Secretary of Labor, she focused on increasing the competitiveness of America's workforce in a global economy, promoted job creation, and achieved record results in workplace safety and health.

Prior to the Department of Labor, Secretary Chao was President and Chief Executive Officer of United Way of America, where she restored public trust and confidence in one of America's premier institutions of private charitable giving, after it had been tarnished by financial mismanagement and abuse. Secretary Chao also served as Director of the Peace Corps, where she established the first programs in the Baltic nations and the newly independent states of the former Soviet Union.

Secretary Chao earned her MBA from the Harvard Business School and an economics degree from Mount Holyoke College. Honored for her extensive record of accomplishments and public service, she is the recipient of 36 honorary doctorate degrees.

Secretary Chao is a resident of Jefferson County, Kentucky. Prior to her appointment as Secretary of Transportation, she was a Distinguished Fellow at Hudson Institute. She is the eldest of six daughters born to Dr. James S.C. Chao and the late Mrs. Ruth Mulan Chu Chao.

Gary Cohn

Renowned economist and investment banker Gary Cohn is a leading voice on the global economy, international markets and economic policy. With extensive experience in both the private and public sector-- Cohn served as the President and Chief Operating Officer of Goldman Sachs as well as the 11th Director of the National Economic Council under President Donald Trump-- Cohn sheds light on what to expect from the current administration and how issues ranging from trade and taxes to monetary policy and interest rates will impact businesses across industries.

Named as President Trump's chief economic advisor in January 2017, Cohn was heralded as "***an economic-policy powerhouse***" (*The Wall Street Journal*) and a "***go-to figure on matters related to jobs, business and growth***" (*The New York Times*). Credited with pushing the tax overhaul through Congress, Cohn was celebrated as an experienced voice of reason in the White House, one dedicated to driving pro-growth economic policies. In 2018, when Cohn announced his plans to resign, the news sent shock waves through global financial markets.

Growing up in a middle-class family and severely dyslexic, Cohn's rise to the top of Wall Street is an inspirational story of legend; one chronicled in Malcolm Gladwell's bestseller "David and Goliath." Landing his first job as a trader thanks to a lucky cab ride, Cohn was recruited by Goldman Sachs in 1990 and climbed the ranks, working as a trader and manager in both New York and London, until he was named President and COO in 2006. Leading his team through the global financial crisis with pragmatism and strength, Cohn helped formulate the strategies that saved the firm.

Liam Dillon

Liam Dillon is a staff writer at the Los Angeles Times covering California politics and policy out of the Times' bureau in Sacramento. He is currently focusing on housing affordability, police accountability and transparency, the state's premier environmental law and a few other policy areas. Dillon began working at the Times in 2016.

Dillon's passion is trying to uncover and solve the big problems that affect life in neighborhoods, particularly those in communities policymakers typically neglect.

Before joining the LA Times, he spent six years at Voice of San Diego, a nonprofit news site, where he led the organization's investigative efforts. He also has regularly written and contributed to breaking news and feature stories for the New York Times, the Washington Post and The Atlantic. Dillon is a graduate of Georgetown University in Washington D.C. And he grew up in Philadelphia, which means he has a giant chip on his shoulder.

Some of his interests include good food and drink and reading and learning Spanish. He may or may not dance around his house when no one's looking, and sometimes when people are.

Kevin Donnelly

Kevin Donnelly is Vice President for Government Affairs, with responsibility for representing the interests of the multifamily industry before Congress and federal agencies. Prior to joining the Council, Kevin served as a Legislative Representative for the National Association of Realtors. Kevin also spent over seven years on Capitol Hill as senior staff for two members of the House, first for Rep. Steve Rothman (NJ) and finally for Rep. Phil Hare (IL). Kevin has a wide array of public policy experience and has served in numerous capacities on a variety of political campaigns throughout his career. Kevin completed his undergraduate studies at Rutgers University, has done post-baccalaureate work at National Defense University, and completed his Masters in Public Management at Johns Hopkins University.

Kim Duty

Kimberly Duty is Senior Vice President of Public Affairs and Industry Initiatives for the National Multifamily Housing Council. She has lead responsibility for developing and implementing a comprehensive strategic communications program for the Council and for directing the association's industry technology initiative.

She oversees and directs three broad initiatives: NMHC's member information/content strategy, including digital/web communications; public affairs and public relations; and special industry initiatives, most importantly the association's work to create an ecosystem that encourages industry innovation in areas such as PropTech, FinTech and ConstructionTech.

Prior to joining NMHC, Kim served as Assistant Director of the National Association of Home Builders' Multifamily Council where she managed the Council's legislative and regulatory issues and directed the group's communications and public relations program.

She holds a Bachelor of Arts degree (Phi Beta Kappa) in International Relations from The College of William & Mary. Following graduation, she spent 18 months in Berlin, Germany working at the Berlin Public Affairs Office during the fall of the Berlin wall. Kim also holds a Masters in Public Policy from Georgetown University. She is an active member of the Urban Land Institute and Commercial Real Estate Women (CREW), including serving as a past president of the Denver CREW chapter.

Joseph Firschein

Joseph Firschein is Deputy Associate Director and Community Affairs Officer at the Federal Reserve Board's Division of Consumer and Community Affairs. He leads the Board's Community Reinvestment Act (CRA) team that is responsible for developing and implementing CRA regulations to support bank lending, investment, and services in low- and moderate-income communities. He also oversees the Board's community development team that engages, convenes, and informs a range of stakeholders on consumer and community development issues and opportunities to promote the economic mobility of low-income and underserved individuals and communities.

Prior to joining the Federal Reserve Board, Joseph served as a Director in Fannie Mae's Housing and Community Development Division where he managed the business segment responsible for financing community development financial institutions and led the company's efforts to sell foreclosed single family homes to public entities and nonprofits. Prior to joining Fannie Mae, Joseph managed lending to community development financial institutions at the U.S. Treasury Department Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFI) Fund and served as lead community development analyst at the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Housing Branch. Joseph has served as a board member of several nonprofit community development and policy organizations and is an adjunct professor at Georgetown University and George Washington University, where he teaches courses on community development finance and policy. Joseph has an MBA in Finance from the University of Maryland, Robert H. Smith School of Business; a Masters in Public Policy from the University of California, Berkeley, Goldman School of Public Policy; and a B.A. in Psychology from Stanford University.

Steve Friedman CRE, FRICS

Steve Friedman, CRE, FRICS, is a tax director with more than 30 years of tax planning experience. Steve's clients cross all property types, including residential and commercial land development, single family for-sale, single family rental, and multifamily rental and for-sale. He advises real estate developers, operators, managers and their investors, whether domestic or foreign, taxable or tax-exempt, institutional or retail. He brings a wealth of technical knowledge and practical experience to transactional tax planning and execution, whether wholly domestic or cross-border. Steve has extensive experience in structuring, planning and executing transactions through a myriad of forms of legal ownership, including real estate investment trusts, taxable REIT subsidiaries, C corporations, S corporations, affiliated corporations that join in the filing of consolidated returns, joint ventures, limited liability companies and partnerships.

Steve's background includes tax advice and planning for more than two dozen publicly traded REITs engaged in multifamily ownership, operation and management, regional shopping center and neighborhood retail ownership, leasing and management, CBD and suburban office, and lodging and hospitality. He also has an extensive background in evaluating tax accounting methods and reporting on the financial statement impact of real estate transactions and operations for these ownership types. Through the Great Recession, Steve efficiently restructured more than \$5 billion in debt on behalf of financially distressed borrowers.

Steve is a frequent and well-known speaker on tax, industry and financial matters affecting the real estate business. He has spoken several times on technical matters both to the Real Estate and Partnership Committees of the American Bar Association Tax Section. He is a past chair and member of the Advisory Board of the William & Mary Tax Conference and a member of the Program Committee for the Pacific Coast Builders' Conference. He is an active member and Council cochairman of the Urban Land Institute. Steve also lectures on real estate and joint venture matters at the Steers Center for Global Real Estate at Georgetown University.

Prior to joining CohnReznick, Steve was the U.S. Senior Vice President for Finance and Tax for a privately held multinational real estate private equity and development firm. Previously, Steve served as a Principal in the Real Estate Practice of a Big Four firm. During that time, he worked in the National Tax Department, helping lead the firm's tax advice to companies and investors across the real estate spectrum.

Congressman Josh Gottheimer

Josh Gottheimer represents New Jersey's Fifth Congressional District in the northernmost part of the state, which includes parts of Bergen, Passaic, Sussex, and Warren counties. He was sworn in on January 3, 2017.

In Congress, Josh serves on the House Financial Services Committee where he works on three Subcommittees: the Capital Markets, Securities, and Investments Subcommittee, the Oversight and Investigation Subcommittee, and the Terrorism and Illicit Finance Subcommittee.

In February 2017, Josh was elected Co-Chair of the bipartisan Problem Solvers Caucus, where he works to bring the group of 24 Democrats and 24 Republicans together across party lines to find areas of agreement on key issues including lowering taxes, cutting burdensome and unnecessary regulation, lowering health insurance premiums, and improving infrastructure to help the American people.

In March 2017, just months after being sworn in, Josh passed his first amendment in the House, which was later signed into law, to accelerate the hiring of post-9/11 veterans at the Department of Veterans Affairs. In April 2018, Josh's bipartisan FRA Safety Data Improvement Act passed the House by a unanimous vote. The Act brings consistency and the power of big data to help improve rail safety in North Jersey and across the country.

Josh is committed to lowering taxes and getting Fifth District residents a better return on the tax dollars they already send to Washington. Working with Fifth District mayors, councils, first responders, and towns, Josh has helped the Fifth District claw back \$290 from Washington for every household in the Fifth District—a 16% increase from what the District has historically received. These dollars help first responders protect the community while offsetting the strain on local budgets and property tax bills.

For his support for pro-growth policies in Congress, the U.S. Chamber of Commerce awarded Josh its Spirit of Enterprise Award. For his consistent work on both sides of the aisle and as Co-Chair of the Problem Solvers Caucus, Josh was recognized as the most bipartisan Democratic freshman Member of Congress by the Lugar Center and the McCourt School of Public Policy at Georgetown University.

Josh was raised in North Caldwell, the son of a preschool teacher and a small business owner. Growing up, Josh worked in his father's store and, like your average New Jersey kid, treasured summer vacations at the Jersey Shore. His first concert was at the Meadowlands to see the one and only Bruce Springsteen! Josh graduated from West Essex High School before attending the University of Pennsylvania, later becoming a Thouron Fellow at Oxford, and then paid his way through Harvard Law School.

After finishing college, Josh went on to work in the Clinton White House as one of the youngest presidential speechwriters in history. Josh wrote speeches on topics ranging from the global economy to technology and innovation to combatting crime; he also helped draft two State of the Union Addresses.

After leaving the White House, Josh worked at the Ford Motor Company, where he helped rebuild the iconic auto company's image and worked on the first American hybrid. Josh was also a Senior Advisor to the Chair of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights and published the book *Ripples of Hope: Great American Civil Rights Speeches*.

Josh later served as Senior Counselor to the Chairman at the Federal Communications Commission. During his tenure, he was the first Director of Office of Public-Private Initiatives, partnering with private companies to break through roadblocks and solve national problems. These partnerships saved taxpayers money while helping law enforcement, boosting digital education, and creating jobs. Josh worked on cybersecurity, broadband adoption, combatting cell phone theft, creating a new public safety emergency alert system, and expanding wireless spectrum. Josh used that experience to help create a nonprofit, JerseyOn, that has expanded access to high-speed internet for low-income New Jersey students to help them compete in the 21st Century economy.

Before running for Congress, Josh worked at Microsoft as General Manager for Corporate Strategy, where focused on the company's expansion into the cloud, e-commerce, and privacy. He was also a member of both the Ridgewood and New Jersey Chambers of Commerce, the Rutgers Business School Advisory Board, and was a visiting fellow at Princeton University's Center for Information Technology. He also taught history at the University of Pennsylvania.

Josh's approach to public service is rooted in his experience in both the public and private sectors. During his time working with President Clinton, Senator Frank Lautenberg, and Speaker Thomas Foley, he saw that, by seeking common ground, it's possible to find a bipartisan path forward without compromising your core values. Josh firmly believes that it doesn't matter if an idea comes from the Democratic or Republican side of the aisle, only whether it will help the communities and people of the Fifth District.

Josh now lives in Wyckoff, New Jersey with Marla, his wife who was a federal prosecutor, and their two young children, Ellie and Ben.

General Michael Hayden

General Michael Hayden is a retired four-star general who served as director of the Central Intelligence Agency and the National Security Agency when the course of world events was changing at a rapid rate. As head of the country's premier intelligence agencies, he was on the front lines of global change, the war on terrorism, and the growing cyber challenge. He understands the dangers, risks, and potential rewards of the political, economic, and security situations facing us. Exclusively represented by [Leading Authorities speakers bureau](#), General Hayden dissects hot spots around the world, analyzing the tumultuous global environment, the impact of the recent US election and what it all means for Americans and America's interests. He speaks on the delicate balance between liberty and security in intelligence work, as well the potential benefits and dangers associated with the cyber domain. As the former head of two multi-billion dollar enterprises, he can also address the challenges of managing complex organizations in times of stress and risk, and the need to develop effective internal and external communications.

Strategic Command. In addition to leading CIA and NSA, General Hayden was the country's first principal deputy director of national intelligence and the highest-ranking military intelligence officer in the country. In all of these jobs, he worked to put a human face on American intelligence, explaining to the American people the role of espionage in protecting both American security and American liberty. Hayden also served as commander of the Air Intelligence Agency and Director of the Joint Command and Control Warfare Center and served in senior staff positions at the Pentagon, at U.S. European Command, at the National Security Council, and the U.S. Embassy in Bulgaria. He was also the deputy chief of staff for the United Nations Command and U.S. Forces in South Korea.

Views Highly Sought After. Hayden has been a frequent expert and commentator on major news outlets and in top publications, valued for his expertise on intelligence matters like cyber security, government surveillance, geopolitics, and more. He was featured in the HBO documentary *Manhunt*, which looked at espionage through the eyes of the insiders who led the secret war against Osama bin Laden, and in Showtime's *The Spymasters*, a detailed look at the directors of the Central Intelligence Agency.

Still Involved. Hayden is currently a principal at the Chertoff Group and a distinguished visiting professor at the George Mason University Schar School of Policy and Government. He is on the board of directors of Motorola Solutions and serves on a variety of other boards and consultancies. In 2013, the Intelligence and National Security Alliance (INSA) awarded Hayden the 29th annual William Oliver Baker Award. General Hayden is also the first recipient of the Helms Award presented by the CIA Officers' Memorial Foundation. In 2014 he was the inaugural Humanitas visiting professor in intelligence studies at Oxford University in the United Kingdom. His 2016 memoir, *Playing to the Edge: American Intelligence in the Age of Terror*, was a *New York Times* best-seller and was selected as one of the 100 most notable books of 2016.

Congressman Denny Heck

Congressman Denny Heck first entered the political scene more than 40 years ago when he was elected to the Washington State House of Representatives at age 24. After a decade of serving in the State Legislature, including time as the House Majority Leader, Heck joined the office of Washington Governor Booth Gardner as Chief of Staff. Following his foray in government, he lead efforts to create TVW, the statewide television network that brought the deliberations of the state government into the living room of every Washingtonian. He also hosted the TVW show, "Inside Olympia," where he interviewed lawmakers and other notable political figures. After time in the private sector and failed attempts at retiring, he made a comeback to public service and in 2012 was elected to be the first U.S. Representative of Washington's new 10th Congressional District, a region known as the "South Sound." Since coming to Congress he has served as an advocate for veterans, strong economic growth, and U.S. jobs.

Congressman Heck and his wife Paula root for their beloved Gonzaga basketball team from their home in Olympia, Washington. They have two grown sons, Bob and Trey, and are the proud grandparents of Maleah.

Committees: House Committee on Financial Services, House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence

Issue Area Expertise: Housing, National Security, Intelligence, Export-Import Bank, Financial Services

Phillip Kash

As a Principal in HR&A's Washington, DC Office, Phillip leads engagements on affordable housing, strategic planning and resilience planning.

Phillip brings over a decade of experience designing and implementing programs and real estate development projects that align the goals of public, private and philanthropic stakeholders to address pressing community challenges. At HR&A, Phillip leads multiple projects within HR&A's resilience practice focused on adapting to future shocks and current stresses resulting from climate change and economic challenges. He is currently leading Climate Ready Boston, a comprehensive climate change adaptation plan for the city and its regional systems, on behalf of the Green Ribbon Commission and the City of Boston. He is also engaged in the Rockefeller Foundation's capacity building initiative and HUD's National Disaster Resilience Competition, where he works with 40 state and local governments on the predevelopment of resilient projects. As part of HR&A's DC office, Phillip is co-lead for a multi-disciplinary team working for the DC Housing Authority to develop a mixed-use and mixed-income redevelopment plan for Greenleaf, a 15-acre 493 unit public housing site located in Southwest DC.

Prior to joining HR&A, Phillip worked for Enterprise Community Partners where he focused on affordable housing, nonprofit business planning, neighborhood revitalization and resilient recovery programs. As a Director, he led consultant teams providing technical assistance to local governments and nonprofits nationwide, designed and implemented programs and advised on affordable housing development projects. Several of his technical assistance engagements were part of HUD's One Community Planning and Development program and the National Resource Network.

Phillip started consulting with local governments and developers as part of the Neighborhood Stabilization Program at Enterprise. He worked with them to develop programs to redevelop neighborhoods hard-hit by foreclosures. Through this work he gained deep experience with federal funding sources including HOME, CDBG, ESG, HOPWA, AAC, NSP, CDBG-DR and others. Phillip initially started with Enterprise as the Freddie Mac Fellow, where he focused on grant making and the establishment of the National Community Stabilization Trust, a national nonprofit intermediary focused on responding to the Foreclosure Crisis at the neighborhood level.

Phillip started his work in real estate and community development as a Research Assistant for the Center for Community Capital in Chapel Hill analyzing mortgage performance data on sub-prime lending and co-authoring research on responsible home mortgage lending prior to the Foreclosure Crisis.

Outside of work Phillip volunteers with All Souls Housing Corporation to support and preserve the affordability of Columbia Heights Village, a 400-unit development in the heart of DC. He holds a master's degree in City and Regional Planning from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill with a concentration in Real Estate. He holds a Bachelor of Arts in Economics from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.

Laura Kusisto

Laura Kusisto covers the U.S. housing market for The Wall Street Journal, where she has chronicled everything from why the home ownership rate continues declining to the deluge of packages boxing in apartment landlords.

Previously, she wrote about economic development in New York, focusing on big real-estate projects and affordable housing. Before that she worked at the New York Observer and as a freelance reporter in Turkey and Israel. She has a master's degree in journalism from Columbia University and another in English from the University of Toronto.

Jim Lapidés

Jim Lapidés is Vice President, Strategic Communications, with primary responsibility for the Council's marketing, media outreach, advertising, branding and digital operations, as well as communications strategy for the NMHC and National Apartment Association (NAA) Joint Legislative Program. Before joining NMHC, he held positions at the American Society of Landscape Architects, National Association of Home Builders and FleishmanHillard. His work has earned awards and recognition from PR News, Webby Awards, Washington Business Journal, ASAE, GD USA and others. He holds a B.A. in English and Communication from Denison University and a Masters in Communications from Johns Hopkins University.

Stephen Manaker

For the last 5 years Stephen Manaker has covered REITs and other Real Estate companies, currently at Compass Point, LLC and previously at Oppenheimer & Company. Before returning to the sell-side, he spent 5 years investing in REITs and other real estate related securities at some large hedge funds. He started his Wall Street career on the sell-side, spending 6 years covering REITs at Oppenheimer and Bear, Stearns. In addition, he taught numerous classes at New York University's Schack Institute of Real Estate, including REIT Analysis, Capital Markets, Real Estate Finance and Corporate Finance. He holds an MS in Real Estate from New York University, an MA in History from the University of Pittsburgh and a BA in History from Binghamton University. In addition, he is a CFA charter holder.

James Milam

Mr. James Milam is Vice President, Finance, Mixed-Use Division for Federal Realty Investment Trust. In this capacity, Mr. Milam is responsible for the overall financial management of the Mixed-Use Division providing strategic direction, planning, analysis and reporting for the Division, which consists of 16 properties, spanning from Boston to Miami, that will have approximately 4.2 million square feet of retail space, over half a million square feet of office space, 1,700 rental apartments and 330 hotel rooms by 2019.

Prior to joining FRT, James Milam was a Portfolio Analyst for the Americas Listed Real Estate Team at APG Asset Management where he oversaw investments in the retail and triple-net lease sectors. He joined APG from investment bank Sandler O'Neill + Partners where he had been a senior analyst in the research department covering health care and lodging REITs and had worked previously as a junior analyst covering retail, office, multifamily and industrial REITs. James began his career in finance at Citi Property Investors, the real estate private equity arm of Citigroup, where his responsibilities included direct real estate acquisitions and asset management, as well as capital raising from and client service for both institutional and high net worth investors. James holds an M.S. in Real Estate Finance from New York University and an A.B. in Political Economy from Princeton University. He is a CFA charterholder and a member of ICSC, NAREIT, the CFA Institute and the New York Society of Security Analysts.

Dana Milbank

Dana Milbank is a nationally-syndicated op-ed columnist with *The Washington Post*, a prize-winning White House reporter, and the author of three books including the national bestseller *Homo Politicus: The Strange and Scary Tribes That Run Our Government*. A sharp and incisive political analyst, Milbank's wildly popular *Washington Post* column "Washington Sketch" appears in the paper four times per week, is frequently the most viewed opinion column on the *Post's* website, and is syndicated in 275 newspapers nationwide. In addition to his print work, Milbank provides political commentary several times a week for MSNBC. Exclusively represented by **Leading Authorities speakers bureau**, he brings the integrity of a seasoned journalist along with the signature biting humor of a gifted satirist to every speech and lecture.

Milbank first joined the *Post* at the beginning of the 2000 presidential campaign as a political writer for the paper's "Style" section. He covered President George W. Bush's first term in the White House and the 2004 election as a White House correspondent on the *Post's* national staff. During that time, he won the White House Correspondent Association's Beckman Award for "repeated excellence in White House coverage," and was named one of the nation's top political journalists by *Columbia Journalism Review*.

In addition to his award-winning work for *The Washington Post*, Milbank has also written for *The New York Times Magazine* and *New York* magazine, among others. A self-proclaimed "political anthropologist," Milbank has perfected the art of political observations that are to the point, non-partisan, and exceedingly clever. He is the author of the 2008 book *SMASHMOUTH*, about his experiences on the 2000 presidential campaign, and 2010's *Tears of a Clown: Glenn Beck and the Tea Bagging of America*.

Before joining *The Post*, Milbank spent two years as a senior editor at the *New Republic* and eight years as a reporter with *The Wall Street Journal*. He has also served as a political analyst for CNN. Milbank is a graduate of Yale University.

Hessam Nadji

Hessam Nadji is president and chief executive officer of Marcus & Millichap, a leading commercial real estate firm specializing in investment sales, financing, research and advisory services. Founded in 1971, Marcus & Millichap has grown to more than 1,800 investment sales and financing professionals with offices throughout the United States and Canada. In 2017, the firm completed nearly 9,000 transactions with a sales volume of over \$42 billion.

Mr. Nadji joined Marcus & Millichap in 1996 as vice president of research and advisory services and positioned the firm as a leading provider of market trends, analyses and expertise. Over the years, his role expanded to include marketing and strategy, enabling him to play a key role in establishing and growing Marcus & Millichap's national brand. In 2010, Mr. Nadji assumed the leadership role for all of the firm's national specialty brokerage divisions, which grew rapidly under his supervision. Marcus & Millichap's specialty divisions function as client service teams of specialists with in-depth expertise in 12 real estate segments and achieved sales of \$29.4 billion in 2017. Mr. Nadji also played a leading role in the preparation and execution of the firm's IPO in 2013 as Marcus & Millichap's chief strategy officer. He was named president and CEO in April 2016. Mr. Nadji is frequently sourced on behalf of the firm by national business media outlets, including The Wall Street Journal, Investor's Business Daily, Real Estate Forum, CNBC, Fox Business TV, Bloomberg TV, and numerous commercial real estate publications.

Prior to joining Marcus & Millichap, Mr. Nadji was senior vice president at Grubb & Ellis, where he began his career in 1986. He received a Bachelor of Science degree in information management and computer science from City University in Seattle. Mr. Nadji is a member of the National Multi Housing Council executive committee, the Urban Land Institute, the International Council of Shopping Centers and NAIOP.

Congressman Richie Neal

Richard Neal was born in Worcester, Massachusetts on February 14, 1949 and was raised and educated in the City of Springfield. He is a 1972 graduate of American International College, where he received his Bachelor's Degree in Political Science and was a member of the National Honor Society. He received his Masters Degree in Public Administration from the Barney School of Business and Public Administration at the University of Hartford in 1976.

Richard Neal was first elected to the United States House of Representatives in 1988. He is the Ranking Member of the tax-writing Ways and Means Committee.

Congressman Neal is the dean of both the Massachusetts Delegation and the New England Congressional Delegation. He is a long-time guest lecturer at the University of Massachusetts in Amherst, and a Trustee at Mount Holyoke College. He is a National Trustee of John F. Kennedy Library in Boston. He served as the Mayor of the City of Springfield from 1984 to 1988, and was highlighted in Newsweek Magazine for his many accomplishments during that time.

Congressman Neal has been a lead sponsor of legislation to prevent American companies from moving offshore to avoid paying U.S. taxes. He has sponsored legislation that would increase the national savings rate by encouraging the use of individual retirement accounts, and has worked to make health care and tuition expenses tax deductible for middle class people. He successfully led the charge to eliminate the Alternative Minimum Tax (AMT) for middle-class families in America. He has a long legislative history of fighting to preserve and protect Medicare and Social Security.

Congressman Neal is an At-Large Whip for the House Democrats. He is a co-chairman of the New England Congressional Caucus, where he advocates for the unique regional interests of the six New England States. Congressman Neal is the Democratic Leader of the Friends of Ireland Caucus.

Katy O'Donnell

Katy O'Donnell is a reporter at POLITICO. She has previously covered tax and budget policy. O'Donnell, who grew up in Baltimore, graduated from Dartmouth in 2009.

Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi

Nancy Pelosi is the Democratic Leader of the U.S. House of Representatives for the 115th Congress. From 2007 to 2011, Pelosi served as Speaker of the House, the first woman to do so in American history. As the Democratic Leader, Pelosi is fighting for bigger paychecks and better infrastructure for America's middle-class families. In 2013, she was inducted into the National Women's Hall of Fame at a ceremony in Seneca Falls, the birthplace of the American women's rights movement.

For 30 years, Leader Pelosi has represented San Francisco, California's 12th District, in Congress. She has led House Democrats for more than 12 years and previously served as House Democratic Whip.

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

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

Speaker Pelosi achieved passage of historic health insurance reform legislation in the House which establishes a Patients' Bill of Rights and will provide insurance for tens of millions more Americans while lowering health care costs over the long term. The new law provides patients with affordable insurance choices, curbs abuses by the insurance industry, strengthens Medicare, and reduces the deficit by more than \$100 billion over the next 10 years.

In the 111th Congress, Speaker Pelosi also led the Congress in passing strong Wall Street reforms to rein in big banks and protect consumers as well as the Student Aid and Fiscal Responsibility Act, which expands educational opportunities and reforms the financial aid system to save billions of taxpayers' dollars. Additional key legislation passed into law included the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act to restore the ability of women and all workers to access our judicial system to fight pay discrimination; legislation to provide health care for 11 million American children; national service legislation; and hate crimes legislation. In late 2010, Pelosi led the Congress in passing child nutrition and food safety legislation as well as repealing the discriminatory "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy, which prohibited gays and lesbians from serving openly in the military.

Pelosi has made energy security her flagship issue, enacting comprehensive energy legislation in 2007 that raised vehicle fuel efficiency standards for the first time in 32 years and making an historic commitment to American home-grown biofuels. In 2009, under her leadership, the House passed the landmark American Clean Energy and Security Act – a comprehensive bill to create clean energy jobs, combat climate change, and transition America to a clean energy economy. The legislation was blocked by Republicans in the United States Senate, but sent a strong signal to the world about the United States' commitment to fighting the climate crisis.

A leader on the environment at home and abroad, Pelosi secured passage of the “Pelosi amendment” in 1989, now a global tool to assess the potential environmental impacts of development. In San Francisco, Pelosi was the architect of legislation to create the Presidio Trust and transform the former military post into an urban national park.

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

Additional key accomplishments signed into law under the leadership of Speaker Pelosi include: an increase in the minimum wage for the first time in 10 years; the largest college aid expansion since the GI bill; a new GI education bill for veterans of the Iraq and Afghanistan wars; and increased services for veterans, caregivers, and the Veterans Administration.

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

Ralph Posner

Ralph Posner brings more than two decades of political and policy experience in Washington. Ralph has worked across a number of industry sectors to advance his clients' public affairs objectives.

Prior to joining JDA Frontline, Ralph served as Executive Vice President at Direct Impact, a national grassroots agency and a wholly owned subsidiary of Burson-Marsteller. While there, he led numerous grassroots, grassroots and public affairs campaigns for a wide array of clients, including multinational corporations, industry associations, foreign governments and non-profit organizations.

Previously, Ralph served as Senior Vice President and Partner at FleishmanHillard, leading the agency's public affairs group in Washington. During his eleven years with the firm, he applied his background in media relations, crisis communications, grassroots engagement and partnership development to advance his clients' interests.

Ralph also spent six years working on Capitol Hill as a legislative aide to both Senator Bill Bradley (D-NJ) and Representative John LaFalce (D-NY), advising on numerous policy issues.

Ralph is a native of New Jersey and graduated from the University of Rochester with degrees in Political Science and Economics. He currently lives in Arlington, VA, with his wife, two kids and two dogs. In his spare time, he has served as a freelancer for the Associated Press since 2007 covering the Washington Nationals.

Kimble Ratliff

Kimble Ratliff is Vice President of Government Affairs for NMHC. He is responsible for a variety of housing policy and finance-related issues including reform of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, HUD's multifamily and affordable housing programs, and immigration reform. He joined NMHC from the Committee on Financial Services in Congress where he was a member of the Housing Subcommittee professional staff during the financial crisis and consideration of Dodd-Frank. He previously worked for a Dallas based private equity firm and for A.I.G. in their Global Investments Group. Kimble holds a BA in Public Policy from Southern Methodist University.

Congressman Tom Reed

Tom Reed was first elected to the House of Representatives in a special election in November 2010. Since then, he has stood with the people of the Southern Tier, Finger Lakes Region, and Western New York. By focusing on job creation and helping those in our communities including students, senior citizens, and veterans, Team Reed strives to make New York a better place in which to live and work.

Tom currently represents New York's 23rd District. He serves as a member of the Ways and Means Committee, which is responsible for addressing issues of tax policy, trade, health care, and Social Security. He sits on the Trade, Health, and Human Resources subcommittees. He serves as Co-Chair of the Congressional Diabetes Caucus, the House Manufacturing Caucus, and the Problem Solvers Caucus.

The mission that drives Tom is to continue to be accessible and help anyone in need. Tom and his team have completed more than 10,000 constituent cases, resolving issues with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Veterans Administration (VA), Social Security Administration (SSA) and other federal agencies.

A caring and accessible leader, Tom values the thoughts and concerns of the people from across the district, which is why he has held more than 200 public town hall meetings since taking office.

Tom remains committed to championing job creation by tackling our national debt, reducing burdensome regulations on small businesses, developing an "all of the above" energy policy, and reforming our tax code.

He is the youngest of 12 children raised by Tom Sr. and Betty Barr Reed. Tom's father was a career Army officer, who worked his way through the enlisted ranks, and was a decorated veteran of both World War II and the Korean War. Tom married his wife, Jean, in 1996. Tom, Jean, and their two children, Autumn and Will, currently live in Corning, in the house built by Tom's grandfather in the early 1920s.

Tom graduated from Alfred University in 1993 and from Ohio Northern University College of Law in 1996. His legal career began shortly thereafter in Rochester. In 1999, he returned to his hometown of Corning. After opening a private legal practice, Tom also began a business in real estate. He successfully ran for mayor and served as Mayor of Corning from 2008-2009. Tom helped change the political climate in Corning, and is now working to do the same in Washington.

Jim Schloemer

As the company's Chief Executive Officer, Jim is responsible for initiating strategic discussions with and between all roles and functions of the organization and for leading strategy formulation that is informed by those discussions. It is his responsibility to grow Continental as a "company of leaders"—in all positions within the company – and provide those leaders with the opportunity and responsibility to express their opinions and ideas, the means for successful decision-making, and the resources to execute on those ideas and decisions.

EDUCATION

- Valparaiso University, Bachelor of Science
- University of Chicago Booth, Master of Business Administration

Congressman John Thune

John Thune grew up in Murdo, South Dakota. His interest in politics was sparked at a young age after making five of six free throws during a freshman high school basketball game. He was later greeted by a spectator who said, "I noticed you missed one." That spectator happened to be well-known sports enthusiast and South Dakota U.S. Representative Jim Abdnor. The introduction was the start of a friendship that ignited John's career in public service.

John received his undergraduate degree at Biola University and his Master's degree in Business Administration from the University of South Dakota. Upon completion of his Master's Degree in 1984, he married Kimberley Weems, a native of Doland, South Dakota.

John's attraction to public service took him to Washington, D.C. to work for that sports enthusiast and then-U.S. Senator Jim Abdnor. He then served at the Small Business Administration under an appointment from President Ronald Reagan.

In 1989, John and his family returned to South Dakota, where he served as the Executive Director of the South Dakota Republican Party. In 1991, Governor George S. Mickelson appointed him the State Railroad Director, a position he held until 1993, when he became Executive Director of the South Dakota Municipal League.

In 1996, with a shoestring budget and the support of family and friends, John won his first term as South Dakota's lone member of the U.S. House of Representatives. John was reelected to a second term by the largest margin in South Dakota history. He returned again to Washington in 2001 to serve his third term in the House.

John then honored his 1996 campaign pledge to serve only three terms in the U.S. House of Representatives. After a narrow loss in a U.S. Senate race in 2002, he won his current U.S. Senate seat in 2004, when he made history by defeating a sitting U.S. Senate party leader for the first time in 52 years.

In 2010, John was elected to serve a second term in the U.S. Senate in a rare unopposed race. He was only the third Republican and the only South Dakotan to run unopposed for the U.S. Senate since direct elections were created in 1913. John was elected to a third term in 2016.

For the 115th Congress, Senator Thune serves on the Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry Committee; the Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee; and the Finance Committee. Thune, who is the senior most Republican on the Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee, serves as Chairman. Thune also served in Republican leadership as Chairman of the Senate Republican Policy Committee from 2009 – 2011 and now serves as the Chairman of the Senate Republican Conference, the number three position in Senate Republican leadership.

John and his wife Kimberley live in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, and they have two grown daughters and three grandchildren. In his free time, John enjoys spending time with his family, pheasant hunting, and running.

Kenneth Valach

Ken Valach is the Chief Executive Officer of [Trammell Crow Residential](#) and Crow Holdings Industrial. After joining Trammell Crow Residential in 1989, he served in a variety of positions including overseeing development, finance and construction for Trammell Crow Residential in all major markets in the western half of the U.S. In 2009, Ken assumed the CEO role of Trammell Crow Residential when the Crow family charged him with leading the company through the 2008-2010 economic recession. In 2015, Ken was named CEO of Crow Holdings Industrial to help build a national platform for development of speculative and build-to-suit industrial projects.

Prior to attending business school, Ken served as chief financial officer of a private company in Southern California and as a management consultant with Price Waterhouse.

Ken received his B.A. in Economics and Math, cum laude, from Claremont McKenna College, where he currently serves as a member of the Board of Trustees. He received his MBA degree from Stanford Graduate School of Business. Ken is the Secretary of National Multifamily Housing Council, a Director of Kimble Senior Housing, a Director of New Hope Housing, and is active in the Boy Scouts of America organization.

Ira Weinstein

Ira Weinstein serves as Managing Principal of CohnReznick's Baltimore office. He is focused on transaction advisory and finance services for projects utilizing the New Markets tax credit, historic rehabilitation tax credit, investment tax credit, production tax credit, and low-income housing tax credit. He provides analysis, structuring recommendations, and supports transaction negotiations for project sponsors, developers, investors, syndicators, and other intermediaries. He also provides transaction advisory services to industries that include affordable housing, commercial real estate, and renewable energy.

Ira speaks at conferences and seminars nationwide on various tax credit programs. Before joining CohnReznick, he advised local economic development organizations on strategies to revitalize their geographic footprint. Before that, he spent several years in the corporate finance department of a public company raising capital for corporate and project finance and completing acquisitions and divestitures of company assets.

Barry Wides

Barry Wides is the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency's (OCC) Deputy Comptroller for Community Affairs, where he leads a department of community development professionals located in Washington, D.C., and the OCC districts.

The Community Affairs staff is responsible for outreach to banks and their community partners, the development of policy, and the creation and distribution of educational materials on community development issues.

Prior to joining the OCC in 1999, Mr. Wides was Director of Affordable Housing Sales at Freddie Mac, where he led a nationwide sales team responsible for developing products and strategies to achieve the company's congressionally mandated affordable housing goals. He previously served as Deputy Director of the Resolution Trust Corporation's Affordable Housing Program. Mr. Wides began his career in Washington, D.C. as a Presidential Management Intern and Budget Examiner at the Office of Management and Budget.

Mr. Wides is a Certified Public Accountant and holds a bachelor of science in accounting and an MBA from Indiana University.

Senator Todd Young

Senator Todd Young represents Hoosiers in the United States Senate. He currently serves on the Senate Committees on Foreign Relations; Health, Education, Labor & Pensions; Commerce, Science & Transportation; and Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

A fifth-generation Hoosier, Todd grew up watching his parents work hard in order to support the family. His first jobs were delivering newspapers, mowing lawns, and providing janitorial services at the family business.

Todd is a graduate of the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland. He graduated with honors in 1995 and accepted a commission in the U.S. Marine Corps. In 2000, Todd was honorably discharged from the Marine Corps as a Captain. While serving in the Marines and working as a business consultant, Todd earned an MBA and his law degree.

In 2010, he ran for Congress and served three terms representing Indiana's 9th District. He was elected to the US Senate in 2016.

Todd married his wife Jenny in 2005 and worked together at a small law firm in Paoli, Indiana started by Jenny's great-grandfather. Today, they reside in Johnson County, Indiana with their four young children: a son, Tucker, and three daughters, Annalise, Abigail and Ava.