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Member of House of Delegates since 1983. Member, Economic Matters Committee, 1991- (workers' compensation subcommittee, 1995-; real estate & housing subcommittee, 1999-); House Facilities Committee, 1993-; Joint Committee on Federal Relations, 1999-. Member, Constitutional and Administrative Law Committee, 1983-90; Tort and Insurance Reform Oversight Committee, 1993. Member, Liaison Work

Group, Baltimore City Delegation. Former treasurer, Maryland Legislative Black Caucus (chair, budget committee). President, Women Legislators of Maryland, 1994.

Member, Task Force for Voter Registration, 1984-86; Governor's Council on Adolescent Pregnancy, 1992-; State Commission on Neighborhoods, 1994-96; Farmer-Mitchell Advisory Council, University of Maryland Medical System.

Born in Baltimore, Maryland, February 2, 1930. Attended Baltimore public schools. Teacher's aide. Member, Baltimore Blueprint; National Citizens Participation Council; Community Organization to Improve Life (COIL); Self Help Housing Board; Urban Service Commission; Urban Service Advisory Council; Urban Services Center 19; Poppleton Urban Renewal Planning Action Council (PAC). Board of Directors, Meals on Wheels. Member, Greater Model Community Council; Citizens Democratic Action Organization; Committee for Cultural Arts. Baltimore Best Silver & Blue Award, 1982; Frances Morton Froelicher Civic Statesmanship Award, 1982; Golden Brick Award, Baltimore Blueprint; highest hour service, District 8 (1,929 hours). Member, Eastern Star; Morning Star Baptist Church. Married; six children.



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1998. Past member, Joint Committee on Investigation. Minority Whip, 1987-94. Chair, Howard County Delegation, 1987-88. Member, Transportation Committee, Montgomery County Delegation. Member, Commission on Transportation Investment, 1999; Study Commission on Lobbyist Ethics, 1999-.

Born in Omaha, Nebraska, January 31, 1926. Served in U.S. Navy, 1943-46. University of Oklahoma, B.S. (engineering), 1947. Engineer with Westinghouse, 26 years in engineering management, 1947-84. Presently beef cattle farmer. Past chair, Howard County