

U.S. SENATORS FROM ILLINOIS

115th Congress



RICHARD J. DURBIN (D)

Dick Durbin of Springfield is Illinois' 47th U.S. Senator. First elected to the Senate in 1996 to fill the seat vacated by his political mentor, the late U.S. Senator Paul Simon, Durbin was re-elected in 2002, 2008 and again in 2014. He has served as the Democratic Whip — the second-ranking position in the Democratic Caucus — since 2004 and is only the fifth Senator from Illinois to serve as a Senate Leader. Durbin sits on the Senate Judiciary, Appropriations and Rules Committees. He is the ranking member of the Judiciary Committee's Subcommittee on Immigration and the Appropriations Committee's Defense Subcommittee.

During his time in the Senate, Durbin has been a strong advocate for working families, striving to promote economic growth, enhance public education, advance public health, protect the environment, reduce crime and strengthen safety net programs.

Born in East St. Louis, Durbin received his B.A. and J.D. from Georgetown University. He began his public service to the State of Illinois in 1982, when he was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives representing the 20th Congressional District. He and his wife, Loretta, reside in Springfield. They have three children (one deceased) and three grandchildren.

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Tammy Duckworth was elected to the U.S. Senate on Nov. 8, 2016. She is an Iraq War Veteran, a Purple Heart recipient and a former assistant secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and was among the first Army women to fly combat missions during Operation Iraqi Freedom. Duckworth served in the Reserve Forces for 23 years before retiring from military service in 2014 at the rank of lieutenant colonel. Prior to becoming a U.S. Senator, Duckworth represented Illinois' 8th Congressional District in the U.S. House for two terms.

Duckworth serves on several committees, including the Environment and Public Works Committee; the Energy and Natural Resources Committee; the Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee; and the Small Business and Entrepreneurship Committee. As Senator, she advocates for practical, common-sense solutions needed to move the country forward.

Duckworth attended college at the University of Hawaii and later earned an M.A. and a Ph.D. Duckworth lives in Hoffman Estates with her husband, Bryan, and their daughter, Abigail.



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