

Commission on Juvenile Justice Jurisdiction, 1998-2000; Governor's Task Force on Childproof Guns, 1999; Governor's Task Force on Eastern Shore Economic Development, 1999-; Attainment Plan (federal air quality standards) Task Force, Department of the Environment.

Born in Port Deposit, Maryland, September 23, 1927. Served in U.S. Army, 1950-53. Washington College, B.A., 1960; University of Maryland School of Law, LL.B., 1960. Admitted to Maryland Bar, 1960. Former attorney. Past president, director, Cecil County Bar Association; past president, Young Democrat Club of Washington College & Cecil County. Member, Elkton Rotary Club (past director, president); American Legion; Veterans of Foreign Wars. Sadler Award, Washington College, 1960. Married; two children.



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Member of Senate since 1971. Majority Leader, 1983-. Chair, Economic and Environmental Affairs Committee, 1987- (education subcommittee; ad hoc subcommittee on ethics & election laws, 1997-). Member, Executive Nominations Committee, 1975-; Legislative Policy Committee, 1979- (management subcommittee); Spending Affordability Committee, 1982-; Rules Committee, 1983-; Joint Committee on Children, Youth, and Families, 1999-; Special Committee on Gaming, 2001-. Senate Chair, Joint Committee on the Port of Baltimore, 2000-. Member, Judicial Proceedings Committee, 1971-74; Joint Committee on Legislative Ethics, 1972-74. Vice-Chair, Budget and Taxation Committee, 1975-86 (past chair, health, education & human resources subcommittee). Member, Joint Budget and Audit Committee, 1983-97; Joint Audit Committee, 1997. Co-Chair, Joint Committee on State Economic Development Initiatives, 1995-96. Member, Special Joint Committee on Group Homes, 1995-96; Special Study Commission on the Maryland Public Ethics Law, 1998. Chair Emeritus, Maryland Legislative Black Caucus. Member, Urban Affairs Committee, National Conference of State Legislatures.

Chair, Board of Review, Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, 1969-71. Member, Governor's Commission on the Structure and Governance of Education, 1973-75; Governor's Commission on Law Enforcement and the Administration of Justice, 1976-82; Commission to Study the Public Service Law, 1977-80; Maryland Education Council, Education Commission of the States, 1977-; Executive and Legislative Task Force on Prisons, 1981; State Employment and Training Council, 1981-83; Maryland Criminal Justice Coordinating Council, 1982-84; Task Force on Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders, 1984-85; Governor's Commission on Teacher Salaries and Incentives, 1986-87; Task Force on School Construction Finance, 1987; Governor's Commission on School Performance, 1987-89; Governor's Transition Team for Higher Education, 1988; Governor's Task Force on SPECTRUM-Housing for Economic Growth, 1990; Task Force on the Charles H. Hickey, Jr. School, 1991; Governor's Task Force on School Construction, 1992-93; Governor's Drug and Alcohol Abuse Commission, 1992-1995; World War II Memorial Commission, 1994-98; Maryland Affordable Housing Trust, 1994-; Task Force to Study the Governance, Coordination, and Funding of the University System of Maryland, 1998-99; Task Force to Study the History and Legacy of Slavery in Maryland, 1999. Presidential Elector, Maryland, 1996, 2000. Former chair, Urban Services Commission, Baltimore City.

Attended Baltimore City public schools; Morgan State College, B.A. (political science), 1950; The Johns Hopkins University, M.L.A., 1965; Georgetown University. Educator. Served in U.S. Army, World War II (Combat Commission). Member, National Democratic Committee. Delegate, Democratic Party National Convention, 1988, 1992, 1996, 2000. Member, Maryland Democratic State Central Committee; Baltimore City Democratic Central Committee. Member, Academy of Political and Social Science; Baltimore Urban League; National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP); Alpha Phi Alpha; Gamma Boule. Board of Trustees, Sinai Hospital; Western Maryland College. Married.