

House District 17

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AGE: 37

PLACE OF BIRTH: Akron, Ohio

OCCUPATION:
University Faculty & Non-profit Management

LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA: 14

ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:
Anchorage, 1998-2012
Juneau, during legislative sessions, 2001-2006

EDUCATION:
Ohio University, 1993-1998, BS Botany, Environmental Studies, Women's Studies
University of Alaska, 2008-2012, Master's in Public Administration (2012 completion)

POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:
Airport Heights Community Council, President
Anchorage Women's Commission, Chair/Commissioner
National Conference of State Legislatures, Leadership Staff Section, Executive Committee
Alaska Democratic Party, District Chair

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:

University Faculty, University of Alaska; Non-profit Management, Anchorage Park Foundation & Alliance for Reproductive Justice; Public Policy Consultant, various organizations, 2006-2011; Staff, Alaska Legislature, 2001-2006; Researcher & Program Coordinator, various organizations, 1998-2001

SERVICE ORGANIZATION(S) MEMBERSHIP:

Anchorage Farmer's Market (Founding board member)
Alaska Women's Hall of Fame (Steering Committee member)
Alaska Women for Political Action (Program Chair, member)
AWAIC Legal Program (volunteer)

SPECIAL INTERESTS:

Gardening, volunteering, outdoor activities, including snow sports, fishing, hiking, subsistence harvesting

OTHER:

Alaska Journal of Commerce Top 40 Under 40 Award recipient; John Rader Award for Outstanding Contributions in Advocacy

STATEMENT:

I would be honored to be your Representative in Juneau. I've loved working with many of you over the years through the Airport Heights Community Council, on park projects, through workforce development and education, and more. I am running to represent you in Juneau as a neighbor and advocate for District 17.

I am running for office because I want to make a positive difference and believe I can make a positive difference. I bring experience and effectiveness to this position. I worked as legislative staff for several years and have extensive knowledge and understanding of the legislative process; this means I can hit the ground running working for you.

I have a track record of effectiveness. From neighborhood projects to legislative campaigns to volunteer activities, I follow through on commitments and make sure the job is done.

My priorities are:

- **Safe neighborhoods and public safety** for all of our residents.
- **Support of our education system**, from pre-k to technical training and college.
- **Honor our Veterans & Military** and their families.
- **Invest in Alaskans** and make sure **Alaskans get the good paying jobs** of the future.
- **Affordable energy**, responsible natural resource development and investments in renewable energy.
- **Build trust in our government** and government officials through openness.

It's your government and we work for the people. I won't forget that.

I would appreciate your vote!

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