

# United States Representative

## Sharon M. Cissna, Democrat



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**AGE:** 70

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Seattle, Washington

**NAME OF SPOUSE:** Sid Atwood

**CHILDREN'S NAMES:** Robin Naughton

**OCCUPATION:**  
State Legislator, 7 terms; Mental Health Counselor;  
Publication Business Owner

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 45

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:**  
Anchorage, 1967-present; Fairbanks, 1993-1994;  
Kodiak, 1974-1979; Juneau, Session staff/volunteer/  
Legislator 1971-2012

**EDUCATION:**  
University of Washington, UAA Bachelors- Sociology  
APU MS - Counseling Psychology  
UAA Post-graduate, Public Administration

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
Legislature: Co-Chair, Joint Legislative Health Caucus  
([www.akhealthcaucus.org](http://www.akhealthcaucus.org)).

Alaska State House; Standing Committees: Education/Early Childhood; Health/Education/Social Services (HESS); Community and Regional Affairs; Military/Veterans Affairs; Budget Subcommittees: Health and Social Services, UA, Public Safety.

Forum Coordinator: Conversations on Budget, Affordable Health Workgroup, Senior Issues.

### **BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**

Commander, Legislative Squadron, Alaska Wing, Civil Air Patrol; Chair, Chugach State Park Ad Hoc Committee 1970 proposed legislation; Chair, Chugach State Park State Advisory Board; Co-Chair, Alaskans for Open Primary; President, Airport Heights Community Council, Community Patrol.

### **SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Co-Chair National State Legislative Caucus- United States for Travel Freedom ([ustravelfreedom.com](http://ustravelfreedom.com)) TSA reform.

### **STATEMENT:**

A visitor 45 years ago, I stayed in Alaska knowing I was home. A recent life-changing experience creates this statement.

Following experiences prepare for needed action:

- Home-based business owner, worked 27 years learning Alaskan small business concerns; as mental health counselor heard many statewide family issues
- Lessons learned motivated my need to become a State Legislator
- My public service began in 1999 when Alaska's government faced one billion dollar deficit!
- As a public forum series co-chair hosted state experts. Taught need to build Alaskan local resilience, and leadership
- Visiting 70 Alaskan communities in nine-year diversity-of-life-style study integrates them into my everyday experience
- The Legislative oath requiring duty to uphold the U.S. and Alaska Constitutions each term increases study of both Constitutions
- Had taken the oath of office seven times prior to 2011 event at Sea-Tac Airport. TSA immoral touch, abusive treatment followed scan highlighting scars gained in life-saving cancer surgery.
- Refusing abuse, making the experiences public began conversation and debate
- Receiving more than 2,000 communications telling TSA experiences cement concern
- As co-chair of National Legislative reform group, building networks

I am running for Alaska's U.S. House Congressional seat.

Protection of security, our people's health, safety and Constitutional rights must be restored. I pledge work as a bipartisan team member to listen, then work for productive and locally efficient growth in Alaskan economic, social and long-term well being. I would be honored taking this responsibility.

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