

**Andrew L. “Andy” Josephson—House District 17—Democrat**

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**AGE:**

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**PLACE OF BIRTH:**

Anchorage

**SPOUSE’S NAME:**

Donna

**OCCUPATION:**

Attorney

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:**

52 years

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:**

Anchorage: July, 1964-Present, except for:  
Juneau: (January-May of 1990, 2003, 2013-2016)  
Lower Kalskag: (August, 1991-May, 1994)  
Fairbanks: (November, 1997-September, 1998)  
Kenai: (September, 1998-June, 1999)  
Kotzebue: (December, 1999-May, 2001)

**EDUCATION:**

West High (1982); Whitman College (BA History, 1986); UAA (Master of Arts in Teaching, 1992); Penn State-Dickinson School of Law (JD, 1997)

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**

Municipal Zoning Board of Examiners and Appeals, and Planning and Zoning Commission (2005-2008); Alaska State House (2013-Present)

**BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:**

Internship (Sen. Ted Stevens); Legislative Aide (17<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> Alaska Legislatures); public school teacher (Kuspuk School District, Kalskag); superior court judicial law clerk (4<sup>th</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Judicial Districts, Fairbanks and Kenai); Assistant District Attorney, 1999-2001, Kotzebue); Associate Attorney (Law Offices of Dan Allan & Associates, and Law

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Offices of G.R. Eschbacher, 2003-2012); Adjunct Instructor of Constitutional Law, 2003-2008 (UAA).

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:**

Backpacking, baseball, fishing, skiing, running/swimming.

**STATEMENT:**

I am proud to be the only member of the Legislature spanning the last 4 years to have never missed a floor vote of any kind—ever! My attendance at committees is also exemplary.

I was a co-sponsor of 44 different bills and resolutions that have become law spanning the last two years. I supported good Republican legislation while fighting the majority's bad legislation.

I have been a leader in the Legislature on the civil rights of same-sex individuals. I have also been a leading advocate and staunch supporter of the protection of wild animals, waters and lands. I championed the rights of victims of crime in the 2016 session. Finally, I was a leading supporter of Medicaid Expansion in Alaska and applaud the Governor's receipt of expansion dollars.

I Will Continue to:

\*Oppose the Pebble and Chuitna Mines. We should not trade renewable resources for non-renewable resources, especially when local communities most directly impacted by a project oppose it.

\*Oppose Vouchers. We should not become islands unto ourselves. Our country was built on public education. It should be about "We", not about "I".

\*Oppose Changes to the Judiciary. We have the finest state court system in the country. It's impartial and totally apolitical.

\*Support the Biggest Economic Project in Alaska History, the Large Diameter Natural Gas-line.

\*Support the Full-Funding of Our Public Schools.

\*Support the Rights of Workers and the Dignity of Individuals.

\*Support a Comprehensive Fiscal Plan--I'm Willing to Take Tough Votes and Not Dodge this Crisis!



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