

Position Sought: Senate District H Senator
Name and Political Affiliation: Matt Claman, Registered Democrat
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Biographical Information

Age: 65
Place of Birth: Massachusetts
Spouse's Name: Lisa Rieger
Children's Names: Maia, Benjamin
Occupation: Attorney, Legislator, Wilderness Guide, Emergency Medical Technician
Length of Residency in Alaska: 36

Alaskan Communities Lived in:
Anchorage (1990-present); Juneau (1988-1989)

Political and Government Positions:
State Senator (2023-present); State Representative (2015-2022); Acting Mayor, Municipality of Anchorage (2009); Assembly Member, Municipality of Anchorage (2007-2010), Chair (2008); Board of Governors, Alaska Bar Association (2002-2008), President (2007-2008); Heritage Land Bank Advisory Commission (2005-2007), Chair (2005-2007).

Business and Professional Positions:
General Counsel, A-1 Timber Consultants (2018-present); Attorney, Lane Powell (2007-2017); Owner, Claman Law Firm (1992-1993; 1996-2006); Law Clerk, Federal Judge Harry Lee Hudspeth (1987-1988).

Service Organizations Membership:
Served on six religious and non-profit Boards

Special Interests:
Family, boating, bicycling, skiing, hiking, cooking, playing trumpet, woodworking, and photography.

Other (Biographical Information):
Came to Alaska at 21 to work in a mining camp. Construction worker, cook, telephone systems analyst, textile mill worker, mail clerk, and camp counselor.

Position Statement

Alaskans want government that works with our families and businesses to make sure Alaska is a great state to live, work, and raise a family. In my experience as State Senator and Representative, Acting Mayor, Assembly Member, community volunteer, husband, father, and son, I've learned that we're at our best working together for better government. We need to continue working together for a responsible action plan for Alaska, to improve public safety, invest in education, and protect our constitution.

Visiting with friends and neighbors, going door to door, I hear again and again that Alaskans want an end to partisan politics and want their elected legislators to put Alaska first. The people of West Anchorage want a trustworthy senator who shares their values, listens to their concerns, and will protect their constitutional rights, including the right to privacy.

Thomas Jefferson said it best: "Government is best which governs least." I look to the Alaska Constitution for the values we share: the right to privacy, the right to equal opportunity, the right to public education, the right to be treated fairly, the right to impartial courts, and the right to be secure in our homes and ourselves.

My priorities include:

- Public Safety: Government's First Priority
- Fiscal Responsibility: Living within Our Means
- Quality Education: Our Best Investment

Remembering Abraham Lincoln, I pledge to make government "of the people, by the people, and for the people." Working together, Alaska's best days are ahead! I would be honored to have your vote.

Current Photo



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