

House District 34 Representative

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AGE: 43

PLACE OF BIRTH: Nome AK

OCCUPATION: Fire Captain/Paramedic

LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:
Forty-three Years

ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:
Nome 1981, Delta Junction 1982, Fairbanks 1999, Two Rivers 2007, Fox 2012

EDUCATION:
Highschool Diploma Delta Junction High School
AAS Municipal Fire Suppression
BS Biology
AAS Emergency Medical Services (Paramedic)

POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:
Alaska Council for EMS

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:
Firefighter, Driver/Operator, Captain, Battalion Chief,
Paramedic, Emergency Room Tech, Part-time Faculty,
Medevac Attendant

SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS MEMBERSHIPS:
Muscular Dystrophy Association Camp Volunteer,
Volunteer Firefighter

SPECIAL INTERESTS:
Motorcycle Touring, Hunting, Fishing, Fly-Tying,
Strength Training, Gardening

OTHER:
Member of:
National Rifle Association
International Association of Firefighters Local 1324
International Association of Firefighters - Motorcycle
Group
Women in Fire

STATEMENT:
As a lifelong Alaskan who’s always loved exploring the great outdoors, I’m in awe of the variety of lifestyles we live across different regions. Wherever we build our lives, Alaskan residents know how to solve problems. We get back up when we’re knocked down. We work towards a better future.

Throughout my 25 year career as a firefighter, this is the attitude I bring when I arrive at your house fire or medical call. I don’t ask about your political party, who you love, your religion, or your income.

I ask, “Is everyone out and safe?” “What happened?” “Where does it hurt?”

I focus on the solution. We deserve representatives willing to hear diverse viewpoints and make the hard decisions that heal Alaska.

Quality schools, lower energy costs, and public safety are key factors in whether Alaskans continue to out-migrate. I’ve spent my career working with strong Alaskans, and I will work collaboratively with any legislators to solve our issues and improve the quality of life for residents in the Interior.

I’ve lived all over our state, rural and urban. I’ve fished, hunted and explored throughout Alaska’s backcountry. And I’m ready to put my experience to work for you.

I’ve earned your trust as a firefighter/EMT when the worst happens to us. Now, I’m asking for your trust and your vote to put Alaska on the right path to a strong future.

Because no matter what, I’ll always answer the call when Alaskans are in need.

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