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## Summary

In total, 153 African Americans have served in Congress. This total includes

- 143 African Americans (137 Representatives and 6 Delegates) elected only to the House of Representatives;
- 9 African Americans elected or appointed only to the Senate; and
- 1 African American who has served in both chambers.

The first African American Members, Senator Hiram Revels of Mississippi and Representative Joseph Rainey of South Carolina, both took the oath of office in 1870. These first two Members were among the 22 African American Members (2 in the Senate, 20 in the House) that began their service in the period of time after the Civil War but prior to the start of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century. After these first 22, the presence of African Americans in the Membership of Congress was not continuous and there were subsequent periods in both chambers with no African American Members.

Most recently, the 115<sup>th</sup> Congress began with the highest number of African American Members ever at the start of a Congress: 51 (46 Representatives, 2 Delegates, and 3 Senators).

Other information in this report includes

- the total number of African Americans who have served in Congress by party and type of service;
- the number of African Americans who have served in each Congress since 1870;
- the number of African Americans who have served in the House and Senate by state, district, or territory;
- the means of entry to Congress, including regular elections, special elections, and appointments;
- the Congressional Black Caucus (CBC) House Congressional Member Organization;
- a listing of firsts for African Americans in Congress;
- a listing of the African Americans who have served in leadership;
- the records for length of service in the House and Senate; and
- a listing of the African American women in the 115<sup>th</sup> Congress.

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## Introduction

The 115<sup>th</sup> Congress began with 51 African American Members, the highest number ever at the beginning of a Congress. Summary statistics on the 50 currently serving African American Members in Congress include the following:

- African Americans account for 9.0% of voting Members in the House and Senate (48 of 535);
- African Americans account for 9.2% of total Members in the House and Senate (50 of 541, including the Delegates and Resident Commissioner);
- African Americans account for 10.3% of voting Representatives in the House (45 of 435); and
- African Americans account for 10.7% of total Members in the House (47 of 441, including the Delegates and Resident Commissioner).

**Table 1** provides more detail on these African American Members across the 115<sup>th</sup> Congress.

**Table 1. Number of African American Members in the 115<sup>th</sup> Congress**

As of April 5, 2018

	<b>Total African Americans</b>	<b>Senators</b>	<b>Representatives</b>	<b>Non-voting Members in the House<sup>a</sup></b>	<b>House Subtotal (Representatives and Non-voting Members)</b>
<b>Total</b>	50	3	45	2	47
<b>Democrats</b>	47	2	43	2	45
<b>Republicans</b>	3	1	2	0	2

**Source:** U.S. Congress, House, Office of the Historian and Office of Art and Archives.

**Notes:** The 115<sup>th</sup> Congress began with 51 African American Members. One Representative resigned on December 5, 2017. These numbers includes one Senator and one House Member who are of African American and Asian ancestry. In this report, these two Members counted as belonging to two ethnic groups. For additional information, see U.S. Congress, House, Office of the Historian, *Black Americans in Congress*, at <http://history.house.gov/Exhibitions-and-Publications/BAIC/Black-Americans-in-Congress/>.

- a. Non-voting Members may include Delegates and the Resident Commissioner from Puerto Rico. None of the sources used for this report identified an African American Resident Commissioner. All data in this report on non-voting Members, therefore, refers to Delegates.

In addition to data for the 115<sup>th</sup> Congress, this report provides historical information. The report also includes an appendix with an alphabetical listing of African American Members, selected biographical information, and committee assignments during their tenure in Congress.

Information and data in this report is drawn from *Black Americans in Congress, 1870-2007*, and the accompanying website maintained by the House Office of the Historian and Office of Art and Archives (<http://history.house.gov/Exhibitions-and-Publications/BAIC/Black-Americans-in-Congress/>), the *Biographical Directory of the American Congress* (<http://bioguide.congress.gov>), various editions of the *Congressional Directory*, and a broad range of Congressional Quarterly Inc. and Leadership Directories Inc. publications.

## Brief Overview of Studies on African Americans in Congress

Numerous studies of Congress have examined the role and impact of African Americans in Congress. Many of these studies relate to larger questions about the nature of representation or about Congress as an institution.<sup>1</sup>

Central to these studies have been questions about

- descriptive representation (i.e., representation by those who share demographic characteristics with their constituents) and substantive representation (i.e., representation of policy preferences and a linkage to policy outcomes) in the representation of minority electoral and policy interests, as well as any linkage or tradeoffs between the two. While the former concentrates on election outcomes (e.g., percentages of congressional seats), the latter focuses on behaviors and actions once an elected official is in office.<sup>2</sup>
- the Voting Rights Act of 1965, the impact of majority-minority districts in representing minority interests in a district, and the influence of majority-minority districts on electoral and policy preferences in surrounding districts.<sup>3</sup> These studies have also examined recent court rulings.<sup>4</sup>
- the relationship of minority Members of Congress with their constituents, including any impact on turnout, electoral competitiveness or strategies, the hiring of minority staff, communication styles, constituency service, and voter satisfaction and engagement.<sup>5</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> The idea of “representation,” including its forms and variations, has long been debated among political scientists and political theorists. For a discussion, see Hanna F. Pitkin, *The Concept of Representation* (Berkeley, CA: University of California Press, 1967).

<sup>2</sup> For example: David Lublin, *The Paradox of Representation: Racial Gerrymandering and Minority Interests in Congress* (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 1997); Kenny J. Whitby, *The Color of Representation: Congressional Behavior and Black Interests* (Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press, 1997); David T. Canon, “Electoral systems and the representation of minority interests in legislatures,” *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, vol. 24:331-85 (1999); David T. Canon, *Race, Redistricting, and Representation: The Unintended Consequences of Black Majority Districts* (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1999); Carol M. Swain, *Black Faces, Black Interests*, Enlarged Edition (Lanham, MD: University Press of America, Inc., 2006); Daniel C. Bowen and Christopher J. Clark, “Revisiting Descriptive Representation in Congress: Assessing the Effect of Race on the Constituent–Legislator Relationship,” *Political Research Quarterly*, Vol. 67, No. 3 (September 2014), pp. 695-707; and Shane A. Gleason and Christopher T. Stout, “Who is Empowering Who: Exploring the Causal Relationship Between Descriptive Representation and Black Empowerment,” *Journal of Black Studies*, Vol. 45, No. 7 (October 2014), pp. 635-659.

<sup>3</sup> For example: Charles Cameron, David Epstein, and Sharon O’Halloran, “Do majority-minority districts maximize substantive black representation in Congress?” *American Political Science Review*, vol. 90:794-812, 1996); David Lublin, “Racial Redistricting and African-American Representation: A Critique of ‘Do Majority-Minority Districts Maximize Substantive Black Representation in Congress?’” *The American Political Science Review*, vol. 93, No. 1 (Mar., 1999), pp. 183-186; Vincent L. Hutchings, Harwood K. McClerking, and Guy-Uriel Charles, “Congressional Representation of Black Interests: Recognizing the Importance of Stability,” *Journal of Politics*, vol. 66, no. 2 (2004), pp. 450-68.

<sup>4</sup> See, for example, CRS Report R44798, *Congressional Redistricting Law: Background and Recent Court Rulings*, by (name redacted) and CRS Report R44199, *Congressional Redistricting: Legal and Constitutional Issues*, by (name redacted).

<sup>5</sup> For example: Claudine Gay, “Spirals of Trust: The Effect of Descriptive Representation on the Relationship Between Citizens and their Government,” *American Journal of Political Science*, vol. 46: 717 (2002); Richard F. Fenno, *Going Home: Black Representatives and Their Constituencies* (Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2003); John D. Griffin and Michael Keane, “Descriptive Representation and the Composition of African American Turnout,” *American Journal of Political Science*, vol. 50, no. 4 (Oct., 2006), pp. 998-1012; Christian R. Grose, Maurice Mangum and Christopher Martin, “Race, Political Empowerment, and Constituency Service: Descriptive Representation and the (continued...)”

- legislative activities and influence, including work in committees, floor speeches, bill introduction and passage, cosponsorship, coalition formation, career progression and seniority, and relations with congressional leadership.<sup>6</sup>
- roll-call voting behavior, including voting cohesion compared to party or state delegations.<sup>7</sup>
- positions on various domestic or international issues.<sup>8</sup>

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<sup>7</sup> For example: Charles E. Jones, “United We Stand, Divided We Fall: An Analysis of the Congressional Black Caucus’ Voting Behavior, 1975-1980,” *Phylon*, Vol. 48, No. 1 (1<sup>st</sup> Qtr., 1987), pp. 26-37; Roxanne L. Gile, Charles E. Jones, “Congressional Racial Solidarity: Exploring Congressional Black Caucus Voting Cohesion, 1971-1990,” *Journal of Black Studies*, Vol. 25, No. 5 (May, 1995), pp. 622-641; Neil Pinney and George Serra, “The Congressional Black Caucus and Vote Cohesion: Placing the Caucus within House Voting Patterns,” *Political Research Quarterly*, Vol. 52, No. 3 (Sept., 1999), pp. 583-608; Michael S. Rocca, Gabriel R. Sanchez and Ron Nikora, “The Role of Personal Attributes in African American Roll-Call Voting Behavior in Congress,” *Political Research Quarterly*, Vol. 62, No. 2 (Jun., 2009), pp. 408-414.

<sup>8</sup> For example: Edward O. Erhagbe, “The Congressional Black Caucus and United States Policy Toward Africa: 1971-1990,” *Transafrican Journal of History*, Vol. 24 (1995), pp. 84-96; Joseph Uscinski, Michael S. Rocca, Gabriel R. Sanchez and Marina Brenden, “Congress and Foreign Policy: Congressional Action on the Darfur Genocide,” *PS: Political Science and Politics*, Vol. 42, No. 3 (July 2009), pp. 489-496; Michael D. Minta and Valeria Sinclair-Chapman, “Diversity in Political Institutions and Congressional Responsiveness to Minority Interests,” *Political Research Quarterly*, Vol. 66, No. 1 (March 2013), pp. 127-140.

## African Americans in Congress Since 1870: Totals and in Each Congress

The first African American to serve in the Senate, Hiram Revels of Mississippi, was sworn in on February 23, 1870. The first African American to serve in the House, Joseph Rainey of South Carolina, was sworn in on December 12, 1870.

Both chambers subsequently had periods without any African American Members. The longest period for the House stretched from the 57<sup>th</sup> Congress (1901-1903) until the beginning of the 71<sup>st</sup> Congress (1929-1931), or 28 years. The longest period for the Senate stretched from the beginning of the 47<sup>th</sup> Congress (1881-1883) until the beginning of the 90<sup>th</sup> Congress (1967-1968), or 86 years.

African American membership in the House first reached ten Members during the 91<sup>st</sup> Congress (1969-1970), and voting membership first exceeded 5% during the 100<sup>th</sup> Congress (1987-1988). Another large increase occurred during the 103<sup>rd</sup> Congress (1993-1994), which was the first Congress after the redistricting that followed the 1990 U.S. Census.

The 115<sup>th</sup> Congress began with the highest number of African American Members ever for the start of a Congress: 51 (46 Representatives, 2 Delegates, and 3 Senators).<sup>9</sup>

**Table 2** provides a summary of the 153 African Americans who have served in the House, Senate, and both chambers. Of these 153 Members, 22 began their service after the Civil War but prior to the start of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century (2 in the Senate, 20 in the House).

**Table 2. African American Members of Congress by Type of Service and Party: Summary Statistics, 1870-Present**

Including any Members who served only a portion of the Congress

	Total	African Americans who have Served in Both Chambers	Senate Service Only	House Service Only (Representatives)	House Service Only (Delegates)	House Service Only (Subtotal)
<b>Total</b>	153 <sup>a</sup>	1	9	137	6 <sup>a</sup>	143 <sup>a</sup>
<b>Democrats</b>	122 <sup>b</sup>	0	6	111	5 <sup>b</sup>	116
<b>Republicans</b>	31	1	3	26	1	27

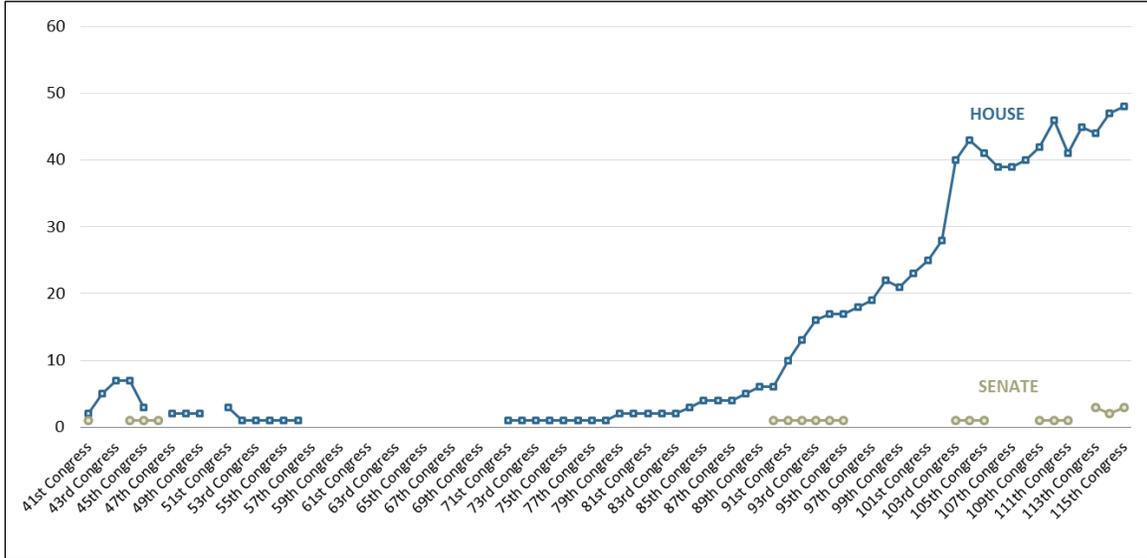
**Source:** U.S. Congress, House, Office of the Historian and Office of Art and Archives, “Black Americans in Congress,” <http://history.house.gov/Exhibitions-and-Publications/BAIC/Black-Americans-in-Congress/>.

**Notes:** These numbers include one Senator and two House Members who are of African American and Asian ancestry. In this report, these three Members are counted as belonging to two ethnic groups. For additional information, see U.S. Congress, House, Office of the Historian, Black Americans in Congress, at <http://history.house.gov/Exhibitions-and-Publications/BAIC/Black-Americans-in-Congress/>.

- a. The total number of African American Members of the House includes two Delegates from the District of Columbia and four Delegates from the U.S. Virgin Islands.
- b. Includes one Independent who caucused with the Democrats in the 104<sup>th</sup> Congress.

<sup>9</sup> One Representative has since resigned.

**Figure 1. Number of African Americans in Each Congress, 1870 to Present**  
Including any Members who served only a portion of the Congress



**Source:** U.S. Congress, House, Office of the Historian and Office of Art and Archives, ‘Black Americans in Congress,’ <http://history.house.gov/Exhibitions-and-Publications/BAIC/Black-Americans-in-Congress/>.

**Notes:** Delegates are included in the data. The figure also includes Members who served only a portion of the Congress (due, for example, to special elections, appointments to the Senate, deaths, and resignations) and so may not reflect the number serving at a given time within a Congress.

**Table 3. Number of African American Members in Each Congress: 41<sup>st</sup> Congress to Present**

Including any Members who served only a portion of the Congress

Congress	Reps	Non-Voting Members in the House (Delegates) <sup>w</sup>	House Subtotal (Voting & Non-Voting Members)	Senate	Total (Voting Members)	Total (Voting & Non-Voting Members)
41 <sup>st</sup> (1869-1871)	2 <sup>a</sup>	0	2	1 <sup>b</sup>	3 <sup>ab</sup>	3 <sup>ab</sup>
42 <sup>nd</sup> (1871-1873)	5 <sup>c</sup>	0	5 <sup>c</sup>	0	5 <sup>c</sup>	5 <sup>c</sup>
43 <sup>rd</sup> (1873-1875)	7 <sup>d</sup>	0	7	0	7	7
44 <sup>th</sup> (1875-1877)	7 <sup>e</sup>	0	7	1	8	8
45 <sup>th</sup> (1877-1879)	3	0	3	1	4	4
46 <sup>th</sup> (1879-1881)	0	0	0	1	1	1
47 <sup>th</sup> (1881-1883)	2 <sup>f</sup>	0	2	0	2	2
48 <sup>th</sup> (1883-	2 <sup>g</sup>	0	2	0	2	2

Congress	Reps	Non-Voting Members in the House (Delegates) <sup>w</sup>	House Subtotal (Voting & Non- Voting Members)	Senate	Total (Voting Members)	Total (Voting & Non- Voting Members)
1885)						
49 <sup>th</sup> (1885-1887)	2	0	2	0	2	2
50 <sup>th</sup> (1887-1889)	0	0	0	0	0	0
51 <sup>st</sup> (1889-1891)	3 <sup>f</sup>	0	3	0	3	3
52 <sup>nd</sup> (1891-1893)	1	0	1	0	1	1
53 <sup>rd</sup> (1893-1895)	1	0	1	0	1	1
54 <sup>th</sup> (1895-1897)	1 <sup>h</sup>	0	1	0	1	1
55 <sup>th</sup> (1897-1899)	1	0	1	0	1	1
56 <sup>th</sup> (1899-1901)	1	0	1	0	1	1
57 <sup>th</sup> (1901-1903)	0	0	0	0	0	0
58 <sup>th</sup> (1903-1905)	0	0	0	0	0	0
59 <sup>th</sup> (1905-1907)	0	0	0	0	0	0
60 <sup>th</sup> (1907-1909)	0	0	0	0	0	0
61 <sup>st</sup> (1909-1911)	0	0	0	0	0	0
62 <sup>nd</sup> (1911-1913)	0	0	0	0	0	0
63 <sup>rd</sup> (1913-1915)	0	0	0	0	0	0
64 <sup>th</sup> (1915-1917)	0	0	0	0	0	0
65 <sup>th</sup> (1917-1919)	0	0	0	0	0	0
66 <sup>th</sup> (1919-1921)	0	0	0	0	0	0
67 <sup>th</sup> (1921-1923)	0	0	0	0	0	0
68 <sup>th</sup> (1923-1925)	0	0	0	0	0	0

Congress	Reps	Non-Voting Members in the House (Delegates) <sup>w</sup>	House Subtotal (Voting & Non- Voting Members)	Senate	Total (Voting Members)	Total (Voting & Non- Voting Members)
69 <sup>th</sup> (1925-1927)	0	0	0	0	0	0
70 <sup>th</sup> (1927-1929)	0	0	0	0	0	0
71 <sup>st</sup> (1929-1931)	1	0	1	0	1	1
72 <sup>nd</sup> (1931-1933)	1	0	1	0	1	1
73 <sup>rd</sup> (1933-1934)	1	0	1	0	1	1
74 <sup>th</sup> (1935-1936)	1	0	1	0	1	1
75 <sup>th</sup> (1937-1938)	1	0	1	0	1	1
76 <sup>th</sup> (1939-1940)	1	0	1	0	1	1
77 <sup>th</sup> (1941-1942)	1	0	1	0	1	1
78 <sup>th</sup> (1943-1944)	1	0	1	0	1	1
79 <sup>th</sup> (1945-1946)	2	0	2	0	2	2
80 <sup>th</sup> (1947-1948)	2	0	2	0	2	2
81 <sup>st</sup> (1949-1950)	2	0	2	0	2	2
82 <sup>nd</sup> (1951-1952)	2	0	2	0	2	2
83 <sup>rd</sup> (1953-1954)	2	0	2	0	2	2
84 <sup>th</sup> (1955-1956)	3	0	3	0	3	3
85 <sup>th</sup> (1957-1958)	4 <sup>§</sup>	0	4	0	4	4
86 <sup>th</sup> (1959-1960)	4	0	4	0	4	4
87 <sup>th</sup> (1961-1962)	4	0	4	0	4	4
88 <sup>th</sup> (1963-1964)	5	0	5	0	5	5
89 <sup>th</sup> (1965-1966)	6	0	6	0	6	6

Congress	Reps	Non-Voting Members in the House (Delegates) <sup>w</sup>	House Subtotal (Voting & Non- Voting Members)	Senate	Total (Voting Members)	Total (Voting & Non- Voting Members)
90 <sup>th</sup> (1967-1968)	6 <sup>i</sup>	0	6	1	7	7
91 <sup>st</sup> (1969-1970)	10 <sup>j</sup>	0	10	1	11	11
92 <sup>nd</sup> (1971-1972)	12 <sup>j</sup>	1 <sup>g</sup>	13	1	13	14
93 <sup>rd</sup> (1973-1974)	15 <sup>g</sup>	1	16	1	16	17
94 <sup>th</sup> (1975-1976)	16	1	17	1	17	18
95 <sup>th</sup> (1977-1978)	16 <sup>k</sup>	1	17	1	17	18
96 <sup>th</sup> (1979-1980)	16 <sup>l</sup>	2	18	0	16	18
97 <sup>th</sup> (1981-1982)	18 <sup>g</sup>	1	19	0	18	19
98 <sup>th</sup> (1983-1984)	21 <sup>l</sup>	1	22	0	21	22
99 <sup>th</sup> (1985-1986)	20 <sup>g</sup>	1	21	0	20	21
100 <sup>th</sup> (1987-1988)	22	1	23	0	22	23
101 <sup>st</sup> (1989-1990)	24 <sup>m</sup>	1	25	0	24	25
102 <sup>nd</sup> (1991-1992)	27 <sup>dn</sup>	1	28	0	27	28
103 <sup>rd</sup> (1993-1994)	39 <sup>dg</sup>	1	40	1	40	41
104 <sup>th</sup> (1995-1996)	41 <sup>o</sup>	2	43	1	42	44
105 <sup>th</sup> (1997-1998)	39 <sup>p</sup>	2	41	1	40	42
106 <sup>th</sup> (1999-2000)	37 <sup>i</sup>	2	39	0	37	39
107 <sup>th</sup> (2001-2002)	37 <sup>g</sup>	2	39	0	37	39
108 <sup>th</sup> (2003-2004)	38 <sup>l</sup>	2	40	0	38	40
109 <sup>th</sup> (2005-2006)	40	2	42	1	41	43
110 <sup>th</sup> (2007-2008)	44 <sup>q</sup>	2	46	1 <sup>r</sup>	45	47

Congress	Reps	Non-Voting Members in the House (Delegates) <sup>w</sup>	House Subtotal (Voting & Non- Voting Members)	Senate	Total (Voting Members)	Total (Voting & Non- Voting Members)
111 <sup>th</sup> (2009-2010)	39	2	41	1 <sup>s</sup>	40	42
112 <sup>th</sup> (2011-2012)	43 <sup>t</sup>	2	45	0	43	45
113 <sup>th</sup> (2013-2014)	42 <sup>u</sup>	2	44	3 <sup>v</sup>	45	47
114 <sup>th</sup> (2015-2016)	45 <sup>l</sup>	2	47	2	47	49
115 <sup>th</sup> (2017-2018)	46 <sup>d</sup>	2	48	3	49	51

**Source:** CRS summary, based on <http://history.house.gov/Exhibitions-and-Publications/BAIC/Black-Americans-in-Congress/> and the *Biographical Directory of the United States Congress: 1774-Present*, <http://bioguide.congress.gov/biosearch/biosearch.asp>.

**Notes:**

Three columns include numbers for the House: (1) the number of African American Representatives, (2) the number of African American non-voting Members (Delegates and Resident Commissioner), and (3) the total number of African Americans in the House.

Totals are provided for (1) the number of African Americans in the House and Senate, not including non-voting Members; and (2) the number of African Americans in the House and Senate, including non-voting Members.

For simplification, Congresses are listed in two-year increments. Pursuant to the 20<sup>th</sup> Amendment to the Constitution, which was ratified January 23, 1933, “the terms of Senators and Representatives [shall end] at noon on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of January.” For specific dates, see “Dates of Sessions of the Congress, present-1789,” at <http://www.senate.gov/reference/Sessions/sessionDates.htm>.

The numbers include Members who served only a portion of the Congress and so may not reflect the number serving at any given time within a Congress.

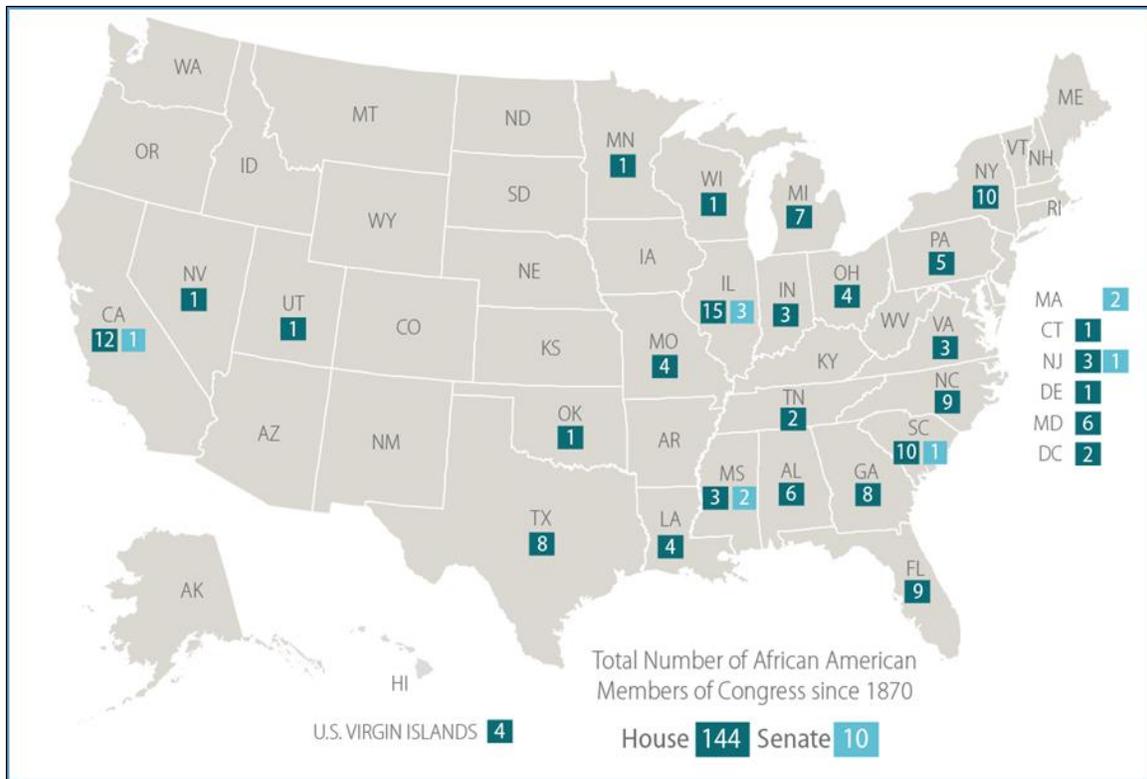
Service for less than the entirety of a Congress is noted below:

- a. Includes two House Members who were elected by special election (serving from December 12, 1870 and January 16, 1871, respectively).
- b. Includes one Senator who presented his credentials upon the readmission of Mississippi and served from February 23, 1870.
- c. Includes two Representatives who served until their elections were contested.
- d. Includes one House Member who resigned.
- e. Includes one House Member who served until their election was contested.
- f. Includes two Representatives who successfully contested an election and served for a portion of the Congress.
- g. Includes one House Member who was elected to fill a vacancy.
- h. Includes one Representative who successfully contested an election and served for a portion of the Congress.
- i. Includes one Representative excluded from membership in the 90<sup>th</sup> Congress pursuant to H.Res. 278. This same person was subsequently elected by special election to fill the vacancy caused by his exclusion, though he did not appear to be sworn in.
- j. Includes one House Member who died.
- k. Includes one House Member who died and one House Member who resigned.
- l. Includes one House Member who resigned and one House Member who was elected to fill a vacancy.
- m. Includes one House Member who was elected to fill a vacancy and one House Member who died.

- n. Includes two House Members who were elected to fill a vacancy.
- o. Includes three House Members who resigned and four House Members who were elected to fill a vacancy.
- p. Includes two House Members who resigned and two House members who were elected to fill a vacancy.
- q. Includes four Members who were elected to fill a vacancy, three Members who died, and one Member who resigned.
- r. President Barack Obama served in the Senate in the 110<sup>th</sup> Congress until his resignation on November 16, 2008.
- s. Includes one Senator who was appointed to fill a vacancy.
- t. Includes one Member who died, one who was elected to fill a vacancy, one who resigned, and one who was appointed to the Senate and resigned from the House on January 2, 2013.
- u. Includes three House Members who were elected to fill a vacancy and one House Member who resigned.
- v. Includes one Senator who was appointed to fill a vacancy (February 1, 2013) and one Senator who was elected to fill a vacancy (October 31, 2013).
- w. Non-voting Members may include Delegates and the Resident Commissioner from Puerto Rico. None of the sources used for this report identified an African American Resident Commissioner. All data in this report on non-voting Members, therefore, refers to Delegates.

**Figure 2. Number of African Americans in the House and Senate by State, District, or Territory, 1870-Present**

Including any Members who served only a portion of the Congress



## **How African Americans Enter Congress: Regular Elections, Special Elections, and Appointments**

Article I, Section 2 of the U.S. Constitution requires that all Members of the House of Representatives must be “chosen every second Year by the People of the several States.”

Therefore, all 144 of the African Americans who have served in the House entered office through election, even those who entered after a seat became open during a Congress.

By contrast, the Seventeenth Amendment to the Constitution, which was ratified in 1913, gives state legislatures the option to empower governors to fill congressional Senate vacancies by temporary appointment. The Seventeenth Amendment also provides for direct elections of Senators by the “people” of a state. Previously, Senators were elected by legislative selection rather than through the direct elections by which Representatives to Congress were elected.<sup>10</sup>

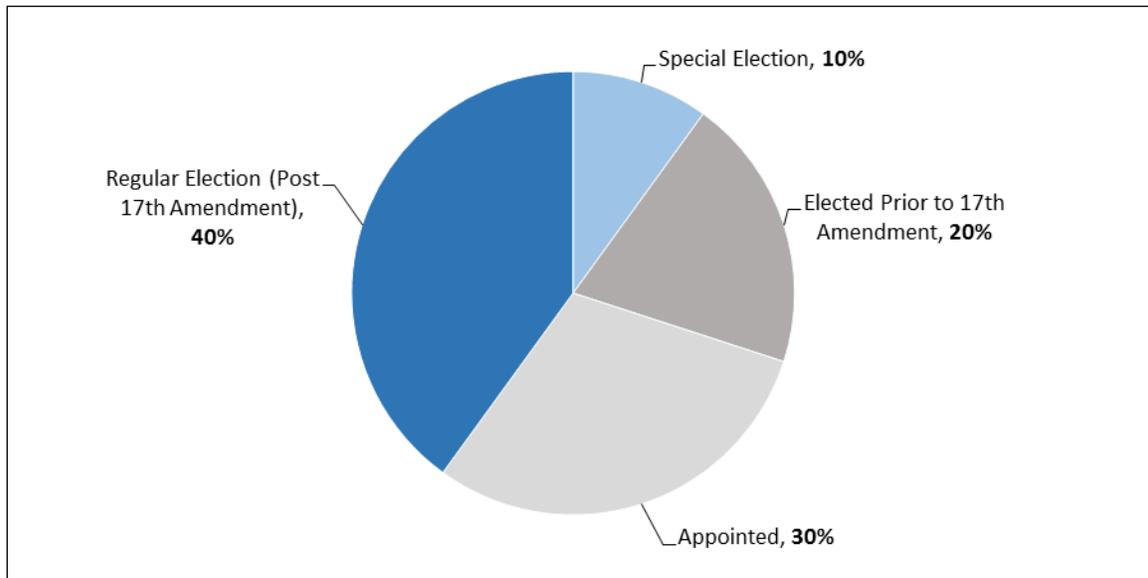
Of the 10 African Americans who have served in the Senate,

- two were elected prior to the ratification of the Seventeenth Amendment to the Constitution;
- four initially entered Senate service by winning a regular election;
- one initially entered Senate service by winning a special election and was subsequently reelected; and
- three were appointed. Of these three, one was a candidate for reelection and served in more than one Congress.

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<sup>10</sup> For information on the Seventeenth Amendment, see <https://www.archives.gov/founding-docs/amendments-11-27#toc-amendment-xvii> and <http://www.crs.gov/conan/details/?mode=topic&doc=Amendment17.xml&t=1&c=1>.

**Figure 3. African Americans' Initial Entrance to the Senate: Regular Elections, Special Elections, and Appointments to Unexpired Terms**  
Inclusive through January 3, 2018



**Source:** U.S. Congress, House, Office of the Historian and Office of Art and Archives, “Black Americans in Congress,” <http://history.house.gov/Exhibitions-and-Publications/BAIC/Black-Americans-in-Congress/> and the “Biographical Directory of the United States Congress,” <http://bioguide.congress.gov/biosearch/biosearch.asp>.

## The Congressional Black Caucus (CBC): A Congressional Member Organization

In 1971, the 13 African Americans then serving in the House established the Congressional Black Caucus.

In the 115<sup>th</sup> Congress, the CBC<sup>11</sup> is one of more than 470 registered congressional member organizations (CMOs) in the House.<sup>12</sup> House CMOs are required to register with the Committee on House Administration. CMOs do not receive separate funding, and they have not since a change in the Rules of the House adopted for the 104<sup>th</sup> Congress.<sup>13</sup> Members may use their Members’ Representational Allowance (MRA) to support staff, including shared staff, assigned to CMO duties.<sup>14</sup> Members, rather than the CMO, remain the employing authority, and the CMO is

<sup>11</sup> For information on the CBC CMO, see <https://cbc.house.gov/>. For additional historical information, see <http://history.house.gov/Exhibitions-and-Publications/BAIC/Historical-Essays/Permanent-Interest/Congressional-Black-Caucus/>.

<sup>12</sup> Number includes CMOs listed as of February 5, 2018. For a list of CMOs in the 115<sup>th</sup> Congress, see <https://cha.house.gov/sites/republicans.cha.house.gov/files/assets/115CMOList%282.5.18%29.pdf>.

<sup>13</sup> H.Res. 6 (104<sup>th</sup> Congress), Section 222. These groups were previously referred to as Legislative Service Organizations (LSOs).

<sup>14</sup> Rules of the House adopted for the 114<sup>th</sup> and 115<sup>th</sup> Congress made changes to the accounting of CMOs (H.Res. 5, Section 3(p), 114<sup>th</sup> Congress; H.Res. 5, Section (3)(n), 115<sup>th</sup> Congress) by allowing a “Member of the House of Representatives and an eligible Congressional Member Organization [to] enter into an agreement” to allow for a transfer of funds from the MRA to a “dedicated account in the House of Representatives which is administered by the Organization,” subject to regulations adopted by the Committee on House Administration.

not an independent entity. The committee’s *Members’ Congressional Handbook* lists a number of additional regulations related to the staffing and funding of CMOs.<sup>15</sup>

CMOs are not required to register in the Senate. As in the House, informal congressional groups or organizations do not receive separate funding.

The CBC CMO is distinct from the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation, which was established in 1976 and is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization.<sup>16</sup>

## African American Firsts in Congress

**Table 4. List of Firsts by an African American in Congress**

Including Member, dates, and related information

First	Member	Congress First Occurred [total dates of service]	Related Information (if applicable)
African American Member of Congress, also first African American Member of the Senate	Hiram Rhodes Revels (R-MS)	41 <sup>st</sup> Congress [February 23, 1870-March 3, 1871]	On January 20, 1870, he was chosen by the Mississippi legislature to take the seat previously held by Albert G. Brown, who withdrew from the Senate on January 12, 1861, after Mississippi seceded from the Union.
African American Member of the House	Joseph H. Rainey (R-SC)	41 <sup>st</sup> Congress [December 12, 1870-March 3, 1879]	Elected to fill the vacancy caused by the action of the House of Representatives in declaring the seat of B. Franklin Whittemore vacant.
African American Member of the Senate to serve a full term	Blanche K. Bruce (R-MS)	44 <sup>th</sup> Congress [March 4, 1875-March 3, 1881]	
Senate Committee Chair	Blanche K. Bruce (R-MS)	45 <sup>th</sup> Congress [Mar 5, 1877- Mar 3, 1879]	Senate Select Committee on the Levees of the Mississippi River
House Committee Chair	William L. Dawson (D-IL)	81 <sup>st</sup> Congress [January 18, 1949-January 3, 1953; January 13, 1955-November 9, 1970]	House Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments
Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus	Charles Diggs (D-MI)	84 <sup>th</sup> Congress [January 3, 1955-June 3, 1980]	

<sup>15</sup> For information, see <https://cha.house.gov/handbooks/members-congressional-handbook#Members-Handbook-Organizations-CMO>.

<sup>16</sup> For information, see <https://www.cbcbinc.org/>.

First	Member	Congress First Occurred [total dates of service]	Related Information (if applicable)
African American elected to the Senate after passage of the Seventeenth Amendment (providing for direct election of Senators)	Edward Brooke (R-MA)	90 <sup>th</sup> Congress [January 3, 1967- January 3, 1979]	
African American woman elected to the House	Shirley Chisholm (D-NY)	91 <sup>st</sup> Congress [January 3, 1969- January 3, 1983]	
African American Delegate	Walter Fauntroy (D-DC)	92 <sup>nd</sup> Congress [March 23, 1971- January 3, 1991]	Elected by special election
African American woman elected to the Senate	Carol Moseley Braun (D-IL)	103 <sup>rd</sup> Congress [January 3, 1993- January 3, 1999]	
African American appointed to the Senate	Roland Burris (D-IL)	111 <sup>th</sup> Congress [January 12, 2009- November 29, 2010]	Appointed to the seat vacated by President Obama, was not a candidate for election to the unexpired portion of the term
African American appointed to the Senate to subsequently win a special or regular election, also first African American to Serve in the House and Senate	Tim Scott (R-SC)	113 <sup>th</sup> Congress [House-January 3, 2011, to January 2, 2013; Senate-January 2, 2013 to present]	Appointed January 2, 2013, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of James DeMint, subsequently elected in a special election in 2014 and regular election in 2016
African American to win a Senate special election	Cory Booker (D-NJ)	113 <sup>th</sup> Congress [October 31, 2013- present]	Elected in a special election on October 16, 2013 and reelected in 2014

**Source:** Compiled by CRS.

## African Americans Who Have Served in Party Leadership Positions<sup>17</sup>

A number of African Americans in Congress, listed in **Table 5**, have held positions in their party's leadership.<sup>18</sup> All of these party leadership positions have been in the House. The first African American Member to be elected to any party leadership position was Shirley Chisholm (D-NY), who served as House Democratic Caucus Secretary in the 95<sup>th</sup> and 96<sup>th</sup> Congresses (1977-1980).

<sup>17</sup> For additional information, refer to CRS Report RL30567, *Party Leaders in the United States Congress, 1789-2017*, by (name redacted) .

<sup>18</sup> U.S. Congress, House, Office of the Historian, "Black Americans in Party Leadership Positions, 1977-Present," <http://history.house.gov/Exhibitions-and-Publications/BAIC/Historical-Data/Black-Americans-in-Party-Leadership-Positions/>.

**Table 5. Selected Congressional Party Leadership Positions Held by African Americans**

Position	Member	Congresses
House Assistant Democratic Leader	James Clyburn (D-SC)	112 <sup>th</sup> -115 <sup>th</sup> (2011-present)
House Democratic Whip	James Clyburn (D-SC)	110 <sup>th</sup> -111 <sup>th</sup> (2001-2002)
	William Herbert Gray III (D-PA)	101 <sup>st</sup> -102 <sup>nd</sup> (1989-1992)
House Senior Chief Deputy Democratic Whip	John R. Lewis (D-GA)	110 <sup>th</sup> , 113 <sup>th</sup> -115 <sup>th</sup> (2007-2008, 2013-present)
Chief Deputy Democratic Whip	Keith Ellison (D-MN)	113 <sup>th</sup> -115 <sup>th</sup> (2013-present)
	Terri Sewell (D-AL)	113 <sup>th</sup> -115 <sup>th</sup> (2013-present)
	George Kenneth Butterfield, Jr. (G.K.) (D-NC)	110 <sup>th</sup> , 112 <sup>th</sup> -115 <sup>th</sup> (2007-2008, 2011-present)
	Maxine Waters (D-CA)	106 <sup>th</sup> -110 <sup>th</sup> , 112 <sup>th</sup> (1999-2008, 2011-2012)
	John R. Lewis (D-GA)	102 <sup>nd</sup> -109 <sup>th</sup> (1991-2006)
House Democratic Caucus Chair	James Clyburn (D-SC)	109 <sup>th</sup> (2005-2006)
	William Herbert Gray III (D-PA)	101 <sup>st</sup> (1989-1990)
House Democratic Caucus Vice Chair	James Clyburn (D-SC)	108 <sup>th</sup> -109 <sup>th</sup> (2003-2006)
House Democratic Caucus Secretary <sup>a</sup>	Shirley Chisholm (D-NY)	95 <sup>th</sup> -96 <sup>th</sup> (1977-1980)
House Republican Conference Chair	Julius Caesar Watts, Jr. (J.C.) (R-OK)	106 <sup>th</sup> -107 <sup>th</sup> (1999-2002)

**Source:** U.S. Congress, House, Office of the Historian, <http://history.house.gov/Exhibitions-and-Publications/BAIC/Historical-Data/Black-Americans-in-Party-Leadership-Positions/> and CRS Report RL30567, *Party Leaders in the United States Congress, 1789-2017*, by (name redacted) .

**Notes:** All party leadership positions held by African Americans have been in the House.

a. The title of this position changed from “Secretary” to “Vice Chair” with the 100<sup>th</sup> Congress.

## African Americans and Leadership of Congressional Committees

As chair of the Senate Select Committee on the Levees of the Mississippi River (45<sup>th</sup> Congress), Blanche K. Bruce was the first African American to chair any congressional committee. As chair of the House Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments (81<sup>st</sup> Congress), William L. Dawson was the first African American to chair a House committee. In total,

- 19 African Americans have chaired a House committee;
- 1 African American has chaired a Senate committee; and
- 2 African American Representatives have chaired a joint committee.

These chairmanships include standing, special, and select committees. Some African Americans have chaired multiple committees in the House.<sup>19</sup>

<sup>19</sup> For additional information, refer to the “Black Americans Who Have Chaired Congressional Committees in the U.S. House, 1873-present” table of the *Black Americans in Congress* website at <http://history.house.gov/Exhibitions-and-Publications/BAIC/Historical-Data/Black-American-Chairs-of-Congressional-Committees/>.

## Length of Service Records

**Table 6. Longest Service by an African American in the House and Senate**

Chamber	Member of Congress	Dates of Service	Length of Service
House	John Conyers Jr. (D-MI)	January 3, 1965-December 5, 2017	52.96 years
Senate	Edward Brooke (R-MA)	January 3, 1967-January 3, 1979	12.00 years

**Source:** Calculations by CRS.

## African American Women in Congress

A total of 41 African American women have served in Congress.<sup>20</sup> Of these, 21 serve in the 115<sup>th</sup> Congress (including two delegates), a record. The previous record was 20 (including 2 delegates), which was reached at the end of the 114<sup>th</sup> Congress. The African American women Members of the 115<sup>th</sup> Congress are listed in **Table 7**.

African American women comprise

- 21 of the 111 women currently serving in the 115<sup>th</sup> Congress (18.9%), and
- 21 of the 50 African Americans currently serving in the 115<sup>th</sup> Congress (42%).

**Table 7. African American Women in the 115<sup>th</sup> Congress**

All are House Members except for Sen. Kamala Harris

Alma Adams (D-NC)	Val Demings (D-FL)	Eddie Bernice Johnson (D-TX)	Gwen Moore (D-WI)	Frederica Wilson (D-FL)
Karen Bass (D-CA)	Marcia Fudge (D-OH)	Robin Kelly (D-IL)	Stacey Plaskett (D-VI) [Delegate]	
Joyce Beatty (D-OH)	Sen. Kamala Harris (D-CA)	Brenda Lawrence (D-MI)	Terri Sewell (D-AL)	
Lisa Blunt Rochester (D-DE)	Eleanor Holmes Norton (D-DC) [Delegate]	Barbara Lee (D-CA)	Maxine Waters (D-CA)	
Yvette Clarke (D-NY)	Sheila Jackson Lee (D-TX)	Mia Love (R-UT)	Bonnie Watson Coleman (D-NJ)	

**Source:** U.S. Congress, House, Office of the Historian, <http://history.house.gov/Exhibitions-and-Publications/WIC/Historical-Data/Women-of-Color-in-Congress/>.

**Note:** Sen. Kamala Harris is also Asian Pacific American.

<sup>20</sup> This number includes one female Senator who is of African American and Asian ancestry. For additional information, see U.S. Congress, House, Office of the Historian, *Black Americans in Congress*, at <http://history.house.gov/Exhibitions-and-Publications/BAIC/Black-Americans-in-Congress/>.

## **Alphabetical Listing, Including Dates of Service and Committee Assignments<sup>21</sup>**

**ADAMS, ALMA S.** Democrat; North Carolina, 12<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 113<sup>th</sup> Congress to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Melvin L. Watt, and also elected to the 114<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Nov. 4, 2014-present)

Committee assignments:

- H. Agriculture (114<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Education and the Workforce (114<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Small Business (114<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**BALLANCE, FRANK W., Jr.** Democrat; North Carolina, 1<sup>st</sup> District. Elected to the 108<sup>th</sup> Congress. (served Jan. 7, 2003 until his resignation June 11, 2004)

Committee assignments:

- H. Agriculture (108<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Small Business (108<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**BASS, KAREN.** Democrat; California, 33<sup>rd</sup> (112<sup>th</sup> Congress) and 37<sup>th</sup> District (113<sup>th</sup> Congress-present). Elected to the 112<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 2011-present)

Committee assignments:

- H. Budget (112<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Foreign Affairs (112<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Judiciary (113<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**BEATTY, JOYCE.** Democrat; Ohio, 3<sup>rd</sup> District. Elected to the 113<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 2013-present)

Committee assignments:

- H. Financial Services (113<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

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<sup>21</sup> Prior to the adoption of the Twentieth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, effective Oct. 15, 1933, the terms of Representatives and Senators began on March 4, in conformance with a resolution of the Continental Congress implementing the Constitution (adopted Sept. 13, 1788). The Twentieth Amendment provides inter alia that the terms of Representatives and Senators shall commence at noon on January 3, in the year following their election. The first Congress affected by the Twentieth Amendment was the 74<sup>th</sup> (1935-1937). Members elected to fill a vacancy are sworn in and commence their terms as soon as possible, as do Senators appointed to fill a vacancy.

The names and jurisdiction of House and Senate committees have changed many times over the years. In the interest of brevity, this report does not identify all historical name changes. The committee names listed are for the most part those in effect at the time a Member served on the panel.

**BISHOP, SANFORD DIXON, Jr.** Democrat; Georgia, 2<sup>nd</sup> District. Elected to the 103<sup>rd</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 5, 1993- present)

Committee assignments:

- H. Agriculture (103<sup>rd</sup>-107<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Post Office and Civil Service (103<sup>rd</sup> Congress)
- H. Veterans' Affairs (103<sup>rd</sup>-104<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Select Intelligence (105<sup>th</sup>-107<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Appropriations (108<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**BLACKWELL, LUCIEN EDWARD.** Democrat; Pennsylvania, 2<sup>nd</sup> District. Elected to the 102<sup>nd</sup> Congress to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of William Gray, and also elected to the 103<sup>rd</sup> Congress (served Nov. 11, 1991-Jan. 3, 1995)

Committee assignments:

- H. Merchant Marine and Fisheries (102<sup>nd</sup> Congress)
- H. Public Works and Transportation (102<sup>nd</sup>-103<sup>rd</sup> Congresses)
- H. Budget (103<sup>rd</sup> Congress)

**BLUNT ROCHESTER, LISA.** Democrat; Delaware, At-Large. Elected to the 115<sup>th</sup> Congress. (served Jan. 3, 2017-present)

Committee assignments:

- H. Agriculture (115<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Education and the Workforce (115<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**BOOKER, CORY ANTHONY.** Democrat; New Jersey. Senator. Elected to the Senate in 2013 to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Frank Lautenberg and subsequently elected to a full term in 2014. (served October 31, 2013-present).

Committee assignments:

- S. Commerce, Science and Transportation (113<sup>th</sup>-114<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- S. Environment and Public Works (113<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- S. Homeland Security and Government Affairs (114<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- S. Foreign Relations (115<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- S. Small Business and Entrepreneurship (113<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- S. Judiciary (115<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**BROOKE, EDWARD WILLIAM, III.** Republican; Massachusetts. Senator. Elected in 1966 (served January 3, 1967-Jan. 3, 1979)

Committee assignments:

- S. Aeronautical and Space Sciences (90<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- S. Banking and Currency (90<sup>th</sup>-95<sup>th</sup> Congresses; ranking member, 95<sup>th</sup> Congress)

- S. Government Operations (90<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- S. Armed Services (91<sup>st</sup> Congress)
- S. Select Education Opportunity (91<sup>st</sup>-92<sup>nd</sup> Congresses)
- S. Appropriations (92<sup>nd</sup>-95<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- S. Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs (92<sup>nd</sup>-95<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- S. Special Aging (92<sup>nd</sup>-95<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- S. Select Standards and Conduct (93<sup>rd</sup>-94<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- Jt. Bicentennial Arrangements (94<sup>th</sup> Congress; vice-chair)
- Jt. Defense Production (94<sup>th</sup>-95<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**BROWN, ANTHONY GREGORY.** Democrat; Maryland, 4<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 115<sup>th</sup> Congress. (served Jan. 3, 2017-present)

Committee assignments:

- H. Armed Services (115<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Ethics (115<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Natural Resources (115<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**BROWN, CORRINE.** Democrat; Florida, 3<sup>rd</sup> District (103<sup>rd</sup>-112<sup>th</sup> Congresses), 5<sup>th</sup> District (113<sup>th</sup>-114<sup>th</sup> Congress). Elected to the 103<sup>rd</sup>-114<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 1993-Jan. 3, 2017)

Committee assignments:

- H. Government Operations (103<sup>rd</sup> Congress)
- H. Public Works and Transportation (103<sup>rd</sup> Congress)
- H. Transportation and Infrastructure (104<sup>th</sup>-114<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Veterans' Affairs (103<sup>rd</sup>-114<sup>th</sup> Congresses; ranking member, 114<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**BRUCE, BLANCHE KELSO.** Republican; Mississippi, Senator. Elected in 1874 (served March 4, 1875-March 3, 1881)

Committee assignments:

- S. Manufactures (44<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- S. Pensions (44<sup>th</sup>-45<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- S. Education and Labor (44<sup>th</sup>-46<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- S. Select Levees of the Mississippi River (chairman, 45<sup>th</sup>-46<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- S. Select To Investigate the Freedman's Savings and Trust Company

(46th Congress; chair)

**BURKE, YVONNE BRATHWAITE.** Democrat; California, 28<sup>th</sup> (94<sup>th</sup>-95<sup>th</sup> Congresses) and 37<sup>th</sup> (93<sup>rd</sup> Congress) Districts. Elected to the 93<sup>rd</sup>-95<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 1973 - Jan. 3, 1979). First female chair of the Congressional Black Caucus, 94<sup>th</sup> - 95<sup>th</sup> Congresses.

Committee assignments:

- H. Public Works (93<sup>rd</sup> Congress)
- H. Interior and Insular Affairs (93<sup>rd</sup> Congress)
- H. Appropriations (94<sup>th</sup>-95<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Select Committee on the House Beauty Shop (chair, 94<sup>th</sup>-95<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**BURRIS, ROLAND.** Democrat; Illinois. Senator. Appointed to the Senate in December 2008 to fill vacancy caused by the resignation of Barack Obama, but was not seated until Jan. 12, 2009. (served Jan. 12, 2009-Nov. 29, 2010).

Committee assignments:

- S. Armed Services (111<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- S. Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (111<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- S. Veteran's Affairs (111<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**BUTTERFIELD, GEORGE KENNETH, Jr. (G.K.).** Democrat; North Carolina, 1<sup>st</sup> District. Elected to the 108<sup>th</sup> Congress to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Frank Ballance, and also elected to the 109<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses. Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus, 114<sup>th</sup> Congress.

Committee assignments:

- H. Small Business (108<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Agriculture (108<sup>th</sup>-109<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Armed Services (109<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Energy and Commerce (110<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Standards of Official Conduct (111<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**CAIN, RICHARD HARVEY.** Republican; South Carolina, At-Large. Elected to the 43<sup>rd</sup> and 45<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served March 4, 1873-March 3, 1875; March 4, 1877-March 3, 1879)

Committee assignments:

- H. Agriculture (43<sup>rd</sup> Congress)
- H. Private Land Claims (45<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**CARSON, ANDRÉ.** Democrat; Indiana, 7<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 110<sup>th</sup> Congress to fill the vacancy caused by the death of his grandmother Julia Carson, and also elected to the 111<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served March 11, 2008-present)

Committee assignments:

- H. Financial Services (110<sup>th</sup>-112<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Armed Services (113<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Transportation and Infrastructure (113<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Permanent Select Intelligence (114<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**CARSON, JULIA.** Democrat; Indiana, 10<sup>th</sup> District (105<sup>th</sup>-107<sup>th</sup> Congresses) and 7<sup>th</sup> District (108<sup>th</sup>-110<sup>th</sup> Congresses). Elected to the 105<sup>th</sup>-110<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 1997 until her death Dec. 15, 2007)

Committee assignments:

- H. Banking and Financial Services/Financial Services (105<sup>th</sup>-110<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Veterans' Affairs (105<sup>th</sup>-107<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Transportation and Infrastructure (108<sup>th</sup>-110<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**CHEATHAM, HENRY PLUMMER.** Republican; North Carolina, 2<sup>nd</sup> District. Elected to the 51<sup>st</sup> and 52<sup>nd</sup> Congresses (served March 4, 1889-March 3, 1893)

Committee assignments:

- H. Expenditures on Public Buildings (51<sup>st</sup>-52<sup>nd</sup> Congresses)
- H. Education (51<sup>st</sup>-52<sup>nd</sup> Congresses)
- H. Agriculture (52<sup>nd</sup> Congresses)

**CHISHOLM, SHIRLEY ANITA.** Democrat; New York, 12<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 91<sup>st</sup>-97<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 1969-Jan. 3, 1983)

Committee assignments:

- H. Veterans' Affairs (91<sup>st</sup>-92<sup>nd</sup> Congresses)
- H. Education and Labor (92<sup>nd</sup>-94<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Rules (95<sup>th</sup>-97<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**CHRISTENSEN, DONNA.** Democrat; Delegate from the Virgin Islands. Elected to the 105<sup>th</sup>-113<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 1997-Jan. 3, 2015)

Committee assignments:

- H. Resources/Natural Resources (105<sup>th</sup>-112<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Small Business (105<sup>th</sup>-109<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Homeland Security (108<sup>th</sup>-110<sup>th</sup> Congresses; 112<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Energy and Commerce (111<sup>th</sup>-113<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**CHRISTIAN-CHRISTENSEN, DONNA** and **CHRISTIAN-GREEN, DONNA**. See **CHRISTENSEN, DONNA**.

**CLARKE, HANSEN**. Democrat; Michigan, 13<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 112<sup>th</sup> Congress. (served Jan. 3, 2011-Jan. 3, 2013)

Committee assignments:

- H. Homeland Security (112<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Science, Space and Technology (112<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**CLARKE, YVETTE**. Democrat; New York, 11<sup>th</sup> District (110<sup>th</sup>-112<sup>th</sup> Congresses) and 9<sup>th</sup> District (113<sup>th</sup> Congress-present). Elected to the 110<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 2007-present)

Committee assignments:

- H. Education and Labor (110<sup>th</sup>-111<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Homeland Security (110<sup>th</sup>-113<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Small Business (110<sup>th</sup>-114<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Ethics (113<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Energy and Commerce (114<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**CLAY, WILLIAM LACY, Jr.** Democrat; Missouri, 1<sup>st</sup> District. Elected to the 107<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 2001-present)

Committee assignments:

- H. Financial Services (107<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Government Reform/H. Oversight and Government Reform (107<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Natural Resources (115<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**CLAY, WILLIAM LACY, Sr.** Democrat; Missouri, 1<sup>st</sup> District. Elected to the 91<sup>st</sup>-106<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 1969-Jan. 3, 2001)

Committee assignments:

- H. Education and Labor (91<sup>st</sup>-106<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Post Office and Civil Service (93<sup>rd</sup>-103<sup>rd</sup> Congresses; chair 102<sup>nd</sup>-103<sup>rd</sup> Congresses)
- H. Select to Study the Committee System (96<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. House Administration (99<sup>th</sup>-103<sup>rd</sup> Congresses)
- Jt. Library (101<sup>st</sup> Congress)

**CLAYTON, EVA.** Democrat; North Carolina, 1<sup>st</sup> District. Elected to the 102<sup>nd</sup> Congress Nov. 3, 1992, to fill vacancy caused by death of Walter Jones; simultaneously elected to the 103<sup>rd</sup> Congress; reelected to the 104<sup>th</sup>-107<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Nov. 5, 1992-Jan. 3, 2003)

Committee assignments:

- H. Agriculture (103<sup>rd</sup>-107<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Small Business (103<sup>rd</sup>-104<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Budget (105<sup>th</sup>-107<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**CLEAVER, EMANUEL, II.** Democrat, Missouri, 5<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 109<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 4, 2005-present) Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus, 112<sup>th</sup> Congress.

Committee assignments:

- H. Financial Services (109<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Select Energy Independence and Global Warming (110<sup>th</sup>-111<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Homeland Security (111<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**CLYBURN, JAMES ENOS.** Democrat, South Carolina, 6<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 103<sup>rd</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 5, 1993-present). Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus, 106<sup>th</sup> Congress.

Committee assignments:

- H. Public Works and Transportation/Transportation and Infrastructure (103<sup>rd</sup>-105<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Veterans' Affairs (103<sup>rd</sup>-105<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Small Business (104<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Appropriations (106<sup>th</sup>-109<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**COLLINS, BARBARA-ROSE.** Democrat; Michigan, 13<sup>th</sup> District (102<sup>nd</sup> Congress) and 15<sup>th</sup> District (103<sup>rd</sup>-104<sup>th</sup> Congresses). Elected to the 102<sup>nd</sup>-104<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 1991-Jan. 3, 1997)

Committee assignments:

- H. Public Works and Transportation (102<sup>nd</sup>-103<sup>rd</sup> Congresses)
- H. Science, Space and Technology (102<sup>nd</sup> Congress)
- H. Government Operations (103<sup>rd</sup> Congress)
- H. Post Office and Civil Service (103<sup>rd</sup> Congress)
- H. Government Reform and Oversight (104<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Transportation and Infrastructure (104<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Select Children, Youth, and Families (102<sup>nd</sup> Congress)

**COLLINS, CARDISS.** Democrat; Illinois, 7<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 93<sup>rd</sup> Congress in a June 5, 1973, special election to fill vacancy caused by death of husband George W. Collins; reelected to the 94<sup>th</sup>-104<sup>th</sup> Congresses (served June 7, 1973-Jan. 3, 1997). Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus, 96<sup>th</sup> Congress.

Committee assignments:

- H. Government Operations/Government Reform and Oversight (93<sup>rd</sup>-104<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. International Relations/Foreign Affairs (94<sup>th</sup>-96<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. District of Columbia (95<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Select Committee on Narcotics Abuse and Control (96<sup>th</sup>-102<sup>nd</sup> Congresses)
- H. Energy and Commerce/Commerce (97<sup>th</sup>-104<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**COLLINS, GEORGE WASHINGTON.** Democrat; Illinois, 6<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 91<sup>st</sup> Congress to fill vacancy caused by death of Daniel J. Ronan; simultaneously elected to the 92<sup>nd</sup> Congress; reelected to the 93<sup>rd</sup> Congress. (served Nov. 3, 1970 until his death Dec. 18, 1972, before the seating of the 93<sup>rd</sup> Congress)

Committee assignments:

- H. Government Operations (91<sup>st</sup>-92<sup>nd</sup> Congresses)
- H. Public Works (92<sup>nd</sup> Congress)

**CONYERS, JOHN, Jr.** Democrat; Michigan, 1<sup>st</sup> District (89<sup>th</sup>-102<sup>nd</sup> Congresses); 14<sup>th</sup> District (103<sup>rd</sup>-112<sup>th</sup> Congresses); 13<sup>th</sup> District (113<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses). Elected to the 89<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses (served January 3, 1965 until his resignation December 5, 2017)

Committee assignments:

- H. Judiciary (89<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses; chair, 110<sup>th</sup>-111<sup>th</sup> Congresses; ranking member, 104<sup>th</sup>-109<sup>th</sup>, 112<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Government Operations (92<sup>nd</sup>-103<sup>rd</sup> Congresses; chair, 101<sup>st</sup>-103<sup>rd</sup> Congresses)
- H. Small Business (100<sup>th</sup>-103<sup>rd</sup> Congresses)

**COWAN, WILLIAM (MO).** Democrat; Massachusetts. Senator. Appointed to the Senate in 2013 to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of John F. Kerry. (served Feb. 1, 2013- July 15, 2013)

Committee assignments:

- S. Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry (113<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- S. Commerce, Science and Transportation (113<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- S. Small Business and Entrepreneurship (113<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**CROCKETT, GEORGE WILLIAM, Jr.** Democrat; Michigan, 13<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 96<sup>th</sup> Congress to fill vacancy caused by the resignation of Charles C. Diggs, Jr.; simultaneously elected to the 97<sup>th</sup> Congress; reelected to the 98<sup>th</sup>-101<sup>st</sup> Congresses. (served Nov. 4, 1980-Jan. 3, 1991)

Committee assignments:

- H. Foreign Affairs (96<sup>th</sup>-101<sup>st</sup> Congresses)
- H. Judiciary (97<sup>th</sup>-101<sup>st</sup> Congresses)
- H. Small Business (97<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Select Aging (97<sup>th</sup>-101<sup>st</sup> Congresses)

**CUMMINGS, ELIJAH EUGENE.** Democrat; Maryland, 7<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 104<sup>th</sup> Congress to fill vacancy caused by the resignation of Kweisi Mfume; reelected to the 105<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served April 16, 1996-present) Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus, 108<sup>th</sup> Congress.

Committee assignments:

- H. Government Oversight and Government Reform/Government Reform (104<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses; ranking member, 112<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Transportation and Infrastructure (110<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Armed Services (110<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- Jt. Economic Committee (109<sup>th</sup> -114<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- Select Terrorist Attack in Benghazi (114<sup>th</sup> Congress; ranking member)

**DAVIS, ARTUR.** Democrat; Alabama, 7<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 108<sup>th</sup>-111<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 7, 2003-Jan. 2, 2001).

Committee assignments:

- H. Budget (108<sup>th</sup>-109<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Financial Services (108<sup>th</sup>-109<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Judiciary (110<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Ways and Means (110<sup>th</sup>-111<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**DAVIS, DANNY K.** Democrat; Illinois, 7<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 105<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 7, 1997-present)

Committee assignments:

- H. Small Business (105<sup>th</sup>-109<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Government Oversight and Government Reform/Government Reform (105<sup>th</sup>-113<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Education and the Workforce/Education and Labor (108<sup>th</sup>-110<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Ways and Means (111<sup>th</sup>, 113<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Homeland Security (112<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**DAWSON, WILLIAM LEVI.** Democrat; Illinois, 1<sup>st</sup> District. Elected to the 78<sup>th</sup>-91<sup>st</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 1943 until his death Nov. 9, 1970)

Committee assignments:

- H. Expenditures in the Executive Departments (78<sup>th</sup>-82<sup>nd</sup> Congresses; chair 81<sup>st</sup>-82<sup>nd</sup> Congresses)
- H. Government Operations (83<sup>rd</sup>-91<sup>st</sup> Congresses; ranking member, 83<sup>rd</sup> Congress; committee chair, 84<sup>th</sup>-91<sup>st</sup> Congresses)
- H. Coinage, Weights, and Measures (78<sup>th</sup>-79<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Invalid Pensions (78<sup>th</sup>-79<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Insular Affairs (78<sup>th</sup>-79<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Irrigation and Reclamation (78<sup>th</sup>-79<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Interior and Insular Affairs (82<sup>nd</sup> Congress)
- H. District of Columbia (84<sup>th</sup>-91<sup>st</sup> Congresses)

**DE LARGE, ROBERT CARLOS.** Republican; South Carolina, 2<sup>nd</sup> District, Elected to the 42<sup>nd</sup> Congress. (served March 4, 1871 until Jan. 24, 1873, when his seat was declared vacant after his election was successfully contested by former Rep. Christopher Bowen)

Committee assignments:

- H. Manufactures (42<sup>nd</sup> Congress)

**DELLUMS, RONALD V.** Democrat; California, 7<sup>th</sup> District (92<sup>nd</sup>-93<sup>rd</sup> Congresses); 8<sup>th</sup> District (94<sup>th</sup>-102<sup>nd</sup> Congresses); 9<sup>th</sup> District (103<sup>rd</sup>-105<sup>th</sup> Congresses). Elected to the 92<sup>nd</sup>-105<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 1971 until his resignation Feb. 6, 1998). Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus, 101<sup>st</sup> Congress.

Committee assignments:

- H. District of Columbia (96<sup>th</sup>-103<sup>rd</sup> Congresses; chair; 96<sup>th</sup>-102<sup>nd</sup> Congresses)
- H. Foreign Affairs (92<sup>nd</sup> Congress)
- H. Armed Services (93<sup>rd</sup>-103<sup>rd</sup> Congresses; chair, 103<sup>rd</sup> Congress)
- H. National Security (104<sup>th</sup>-105<sup>th</sup> Congresses; ranking member, 104<sup>th</sup>-105<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Post Office and Civil Service (97<sup>th</sup>-98<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Select Intelligence (94<sup>th</sup>-102<sup>nd</sup> Congresses)

**DEMINGS, VAL.** Democrat; Florida, 10<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 115<sup>th</sup> Congress. (served Jan. 3, 2017-present)

Committee assignments:

- H. Homeland Security (115<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Government Reform (115<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Judiciary (115<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**DE PRIEST, OSCAR STANTON.** Republican; Illinois, 1<sup>st</sup> District. Elected to the 71<sup>st</sup>-73<sup>rd</sup> Congresses. (served March 4, 1929-March 3, 1935)

Committee assignments:

- H. Enrolled Bills (71<sup>st</sup>-73<sup>rd</sup> Congresses)
- H. Invalid Pensions (71<sup>st</sup>-73<sup>rd</sup> Congresses)
- H. Indian Affairs (71<sup>st</sup>-73<sup>rd</sup> Congresses)
- H. Post Office and Post Roads (73<sup>rd</sup> Congress)

**DIGGS, CHARLES COLES, Jr.** Democrat; Michigan, 13<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 84<sup>th</sup>-96<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 1955 until his resignation on June 3, 1980). First Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus, 92<sup>nd</sup> Congress.

Committee assignments:

- H. Interior and Insular Affairs (84<sup>th</sup>-85<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Veterans' Affairs (84<sup>th</sup>-85<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Foreign Affairs (86<sup>th</sup>-93<sup>rd</sup> Congresses)
- H. District of Columbia (88<sup>th</sup>-96<sup>th</sup> Congresses; chair, 93<sup>rd</sup>-95<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**DIXON, JULIAN CAREY.** Democrat; California, 28<sup>th</sup> District (96<sup>th</sup>-102<sup>nd</sup> Congresses); 32<sup>nd</sup> District (103<sup>rd</sup>-106<sup>th</sup> Congresses). Elected to 96<sup>th</sup>-107<sup>th</sup> Congresses, but died before the commencement of the 107<sup>th</sup> Congress. (served Jan. 3, 1979 until his death on Dec. 8, 2000). Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus, 98<sup>th</sup> Congress.

Committee assignments:

- H. Appropriations (96<sup>th</sup>-106<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Standards of Official Conduct (98<sup>th</sup>-101<sup>st</sup> Congresses; chair, 99<sup>th</sup>-101<sup>st</sup> Congresses)
- H. Select Intelligence (103<sup>rd</sup>-106<sup>th</sup> Congresses; ranking member, 106<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**DYMALLY, MERVYN MALCOLM.** Democrat; California, 31<sup>st</sup> District. Elected to the 97<sup>th</sup>-102<sup>nd</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 1981-Jan. 3, 1993). Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus, 110<sup>th</sup> Congress.

Committee assignments:

- H. District of Columbia (97<sup>th</sup>-102<sup>nd</sup> Congresses)
- H. Foreign Affairs (97<sup>th</sup>-102<sup>nd</sup> Congresses)
- H. Science and Technology (97<sup>th</sup>-98<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Post Office and Civil Service (98<sup>th</sup>-102<sup>nd</sup> Congresses)
- H. Education and Labor (99<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**EDWARDS, DONNA.** Democrat; Maryland, 4<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 110<sup>th</sup> Congress in a June 17, 2008, special election to fill vacancy caused by the resignation of Albert Wynn; reelected to the 111<sup>th</sup>-114<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served June 19, 2008-Jan. 3, 2017)

Committee assignments:

- H. Science and Technology/Science, Space and Technology (110<sup>th</sup>-114<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Transportation and Infrastructure (110<sup>th</sup>-114<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Ethics (112<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**ELLIOTT, ROBERT BROWN.** Republican; South Carolina, 3<sup>rd</sup> District. Elected to the 42<sup>nd</sup>-43<sup>rd</sup> Congresses. (served March 4, 1871 until his resignation on Nov. 1, 1874)

Committee assignments:

- H. Education and Labor (42<sup>nd</sup>-43<sup>rd</sup> Congresses)
- H. Militia (43<sup>rd</sup> Congress)

**ELLISON, KEITH.** Democrat; Minnesota, 5<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 110<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 4, 2007-present)

Committee assignments:

- H. Financial Services (110<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Judiciary (110<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Foreign Affairs (111<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**ESPY, ALPHONSO MICHAEL (MIKE).** Democrat; Mississippi, 2<sup>nd</sup> District. Elected to the 100<sup>th</sup>-103<sup>rd</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 6, 1987 until his resignation on Jan. 25, 1993)

Committee assignments:

- H. Agriculture (100<sup>th</sup>-102<sup>nd</sup> Congresses)
- H. Budget (101<sup>st</sup>-102<sup>nd</sup> Congresses)
- H. Select Hunger (101<sup>st</sup>-102<sup>nd</sup> Congresses)
- Jt. Deficit Reduction (100<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**EVANS, DWIGHT.** Democrat; Pennsylvania, 2<sup>nd</sup> District. Elected to the 114<sup>th</sup> Congress to fill vacancy caused by the resignation of Chaka Fattah; simultaneously elected to the 115<sup>th</sup> Congress. (served Nov. 8, 2016-present)

Committee assignments:

- H. Agriculture (115<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Small Business (115<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**EVANS, MELVIN HERBERT.** Republican; Delegate from the U.S. Virgin Islands. Elected to the 96<sup>th</sup> Congress. (served Jan. 3, 1979-Jan. 3, 1981)

Committee assignments:

- H. Armed Services (96<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Interior and Insular Affairs (96<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Merchant Marine and Fisheries (96<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**FATTAH, CHAKA.** Democrat. Pennsylvania, 2<sup>nd</sup> District. Elected to the 104<sup>th</sup>-114<sup>th</sup> Congresses.(served Jan. 3, 1995 until his resignation June 23, 2016)

Committee assignments:

- H. Government Reform and Oversight/Government Reform (104<sup>th</sup>-106<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Economic and Education Opportunities (104<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Education and the Workforce (105<sup>th</sup>-106<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Small Business (104<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Standards of Official Conduct (105<sup>th</sup>-106<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Administration (106<sup>th</sup>-107<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- Jt. Printing (106<sup>th</sup>-107<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- Appropriations (107<sup>th</sup>-114<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**FAUNTROY, WALTER EDWARD.** Democrat; Delegate from the District of Columbia. Elected to the 92<sup>nd</sup> Congress in a special election after the District of Columbia was authorized to elect a delegate; reelected to the 93<sup>rd</sup>-101<sup>st</sup> Congresses. (served April 19, 1971-Jan. 3, 1991).Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus, 97<sup>th</sup> Congress.

Committee assignments:

- H. District of Columbia (92<sup>nd</sup>-101<sup>st</sup> Congresses)
- H. Banking and Currency/Banking, Finance, and Urban Affairs (93<sup>rd</sup>-101<sup>st</sup> Congresses)
- H. Select Assassinations (94<sup>th</sup>-95<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Select Narcotics Abuse and Control (98<sup>th</sup>-101<sup>st</sup> Congresses)

**FIELDS, CLEO.** Democrat; Louisiana, 4<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 103<sup>rd</sup>-104<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 5, 1993-Jan. 3, 1997)

Committee assignments:

- H. Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs/Banking and Financial Services (103<sup>rd</sup>-104<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Small Business (103<sup>rd</sup>-104<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**FLAKE, FLOYD HAROLD.** Democrat; New York, 6<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 100<sup>th</sup>-105<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 6, 1987 until his resignation on Nov. 15, 1997)

Committee assignments:

- H. Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs/Banking and Financial Services (100<sup>th</sup>-105<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Small Business (100<sup>th</sup>-105<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Government Operations (103<sup>rd</sup> Congress)
- H. Select Children, Youth and Families (100<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Select Hunger (100<sup>th</sup>-102<sup>nd</sup> Congresses)

**FORD, HAROLD EUGENE, SR.** Democrat; Tennessee, 8<sup>th</sup> District (94<sup>th</sup>-97<sup>th</sup> Congresses); 9<sup>th</sup> District (98<sup>th</sup>-104<sup>th</sup> Congresses). Elected to the 94<sup>th</sup>-104<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 1975-Jan. 3, 1997)

Committee assignments:

- H. Veterans' Affairs (94<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Banking, Currency, and Housing (94<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Ways and Means (94<sup>th</sup>-104<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Select Aging (94<sup>th</sup>-102<sup>nd</sup> Congresses)
- H. Select Assassinations (94<sup>th</sup>-95<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**FORD, HAROLD EUGENE, Jr.** Democrat; Tennessee, 9<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 105<sup>th</sup>-109<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 7, 1997-Jan. 3, 2007)

Committee assignments:

- H. Education and the Workforce (105<sup>th</sup>-107<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Government Reform and Oversight/Government Reform (105<sup>th</sup>-106<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Financial Services (107<sup>th</sup>-109<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Budget (108<sup>th</sup>-109<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**FRANKS, GARY.** Republican; Connecticut, 5<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 102<sup>nd</sup>-104<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 1991-Jan. 3, 1997)

Committee assignments:

- H. Armed Services (102<sup>nd</sup> Congress)
- H. Small Business (102<sup>nd</sup> Congress)
- H. Energy and Commerce (103<sup>rd</sup> Congress)

**FRAZER, VICTOR O.** Independent; Delegate from the U.S. Virgin Islands. Elected to the 104<sup>th</sup> Congress. (served Jan. 3, 1995-Jan. 3, 1997)

Committee assignments:

- H. International Relations (104<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**FUDGE, MARCIA F.** Democrat; Ohio, 11<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 110<sup>th</sup> Congress in a Nov. 4, 2008, special election to fill vacancy caused by death of Stephanie Tubbs Jones; reelected to the 111<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Nov. 19, 2008-present) Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus, 113<sup>th</sup> Congress.

Committee assignments:

- H. Education and Labor/Education and the Workforce (111<sup>th</sup> Congress; 113<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Science and Technology/Science, Space and Technology (111<sup>th</sup>-112<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Agriculture (112<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**GRAY, WILLIAM HERBERT III.** Democrat; Pennsylvania, 2<sup>nd</sup> District. Elected to the 96<sup>th</sup>-102<sup>nd</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 1979 until his resignation on Sept. 11, 1991)

Committee assignments:

- H. Budget (96<sup>th</sup>, 98<sup>th</sup>-100<sup>th</sup> Congresses; chair, 99<sup>th</sup>-100<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. District of Columbia (96<sup>th</sup>-102<sup>nd</sup> Congresses)
- H. Foreign Affairs (96<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Appropriations (97<sup>th</sup>-102<sup>nd</sup> Congresses)
- H. House Administration (102<sup>nd</sup> Congress)
- Jt. Deficit Reduction (100<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**GREEN, AL.** Democrat; Texas, 9<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 109<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 4, 2005-present)

Committee assignments:

- H. Financial Services (109<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Science (109<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Homeland Security (110<sup>th</sup>-111<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Foreign Affairs (111<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**HALL, KATIE BEATRICE.** Democrat; Indiana, 1<sup>st</sup> District. Elected to the 97<sup>th</sup> Congress in a Nov. 2, 1982, special election to fill vacancy caused by death of Adam Benjamin Jr.; reelected to the 98<sup>th</sup> Congress. (served Nov. 29, 1982-Jan. 3, 1985)

Committee assignments:

- H. Post Office and Civil Service (98<sup>th</sup> Congress)

- H. Public Works and Transportation (98<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**HARALSON, JEREMIAH.** Republican; Alabama, 1<sup>st</sup> District. Elected to the 44<sup>th</sup> Congress. (served March 4, 1875-March 3, 1877)

Committee assignments:

- H. Public Expenditures (44<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**HARRIS, KAMALA DEVI.** Democrat; California, Senator. Elected in 2016. (served Jan. 3, 2017-present)

Committee assignments:

- S. Budget (115<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- S. Environment and Public Works (115<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- S. Homeland Security (115<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- S. Judiciary (115<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- S. Select Intelligence (115<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**HASTINGS, ALCEE LAMAR.** Democrat; Florida, 20<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 103<sup>rd</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 5, 1993-present)

Committee assignments:

- H. Foreign Affairs/International Relations (103<sup>rd</sup>-107<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Merchant Marine and Fisheries (103<sup>rd</sup> Congress)
- H. Post Office and Civil Service (103<sup>rd</sup> Congress)
- H. Science (104<sup>th</sup>-105<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Select Intelligence (106<sup>th</sup>-111<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Rules (107<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Standards of Official Conduct (110<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**HAWKINS, AUGUSTUS FREEMAN (GUS).** Democrat; California, 21<sup>st</sup> District (88<sup>th</sup>-93<sup>rd</sup> Congresses); 29<sup>th</sup> (94<sup>th</sup>-101<sup>st</sup> Congresses). Elected to the 88<sup>th</sup>-101<sup>st</sup> Congresses. (served from Jan. 3, 1963-Jan. 3, 1991)

Committee assignments:

- H. Education and Labor (88<sup>th</sup>-101<sup>st</sup> Congresses; chair, 98<sup>th</sup>-101<sup>st</sup> Congresses)
- H. House Administration (91<sup>st</sup>-98<sup>th</sup> Congresses; chair, 97<sup>th</sup>-98<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- Jt. Printing (95<sup>th</sup>-98<sup>th</sup> Congresses; chair, 96<sup>th</sup> and 98<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- Jt. Library (97<sup>th</sup>-98<sup>th</sup> Congresses; chair, 97<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- Jt. Economic (97<sup>th</sup>-101<sup>st</sup> Congresses)

**HAYES, CHARLES ARTHUR.** Democrat; Illinois, 1<sup>st</sup> District. Elected to the 98<sup>th</sup> Congress in a Aug. 23, 1983 special election to fill vacancy caused by the resignation of Harold Washington; reelected to the 99<sup>th</sup>-102<sup>nd</sup> Congresses. (served Aug. 23, 1983-Jan. 3, 1993)

Committee assignments:

- H. Education and Labor (98<sup>th</sup>-102<sup>nd</sup> Congresses)
- H. Small Business (98<sup>th</sup>-101<sup>st</sup> Congresses)
- H. Post Office and Civil Service (101<sup>st</sup>-102<sup>nd</sup> Congresses)

**HILLIARD, EARL FREDERICK.** Democrat; Alabama, 7<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 103<sup>rd</sup>-107<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 5, 1993-Jan. 3, 2003)

Committee assignments:

- H. Agriculture (103<sup>rd</sup>-107<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Small Business (103<sup>rd</sup>-104<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. International Relations (105<sup>th</sup>-107<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**HORSFORD, STEVEN.** Democrat; Nevada, 4<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 113<sup>th</sup> Congress. (served Jan. 3, 2013-Jan. 3, 2015)

Committee assignments:

- H. Homeland Security (113<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Natural Resources (113<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Oversight and Government Reform (113<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**HURD, WILLIAM BALLARD.** Republican; Texas, 23<sup>rd</sup> District. Elected to the 114<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 2015-present)

Committee assignments:

- H. Homeland Security (114<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Oversight and Government Reform (114<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Small Business (114<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Permanent Select Intelligence (115<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**HYMAN, JOHN ADAMS.** Republican; North Carolina, 2<sup>nd</sup> District. Elected to the 44<sup>th</sup> Congress. (served March 4, 1875-March 3, 1977)

Committee assignments:

- H. Manufactures (44<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**JACKSON, JESSE L., Jr.** Democrat; Illinois, 2<sup>nd</sup> District. Elected to the 104<sup>th</sup> Congress in a special election to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mel Reynolds; reelected to the 105<sup>th</sup>-113<sup>th</sup> Congress, but declined to serve in the 113<sup>th</sup> Congress (served Dec. 14, 1995 until his resignation Nov. 21, 2012)

Committee assignments:

- H. Banking and Financial Services (104<sup>th</sup>-105<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Small Business (104<sup>th</sup>-105<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Appropriations (106<sup>th</sup>-112<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**JACKSON LEE, SHEILA.** Democrat; Texas, 18<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 104<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 1995-present)

Committee assignments:

- H. Judiciary (104<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Science (104<sup>th</sup>-109<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Homeland Security (108<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Foreign Affairs (110<sup>th</sup>-111<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**JEFFERSON, WILLIAM JENNINGS.** Democrat; Louisiana, 2<sup>nd</sup> District. Elected to the 102<sup>nd</sup>-110<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 1991-Jan. 3, 2009)

Committee assignments:

- H. Education and Labor (102<sup>nd</sup> Congress)
- H. Merchant Marine and Fisheries (102<sup>nd</sup> Congress)
- H. District of Columbia (103<sup>rd</sup> Congress)
- H. Ways and Means (103<sup>rd</sup>, 105<sup>th</sup>-109<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. National Security (104<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. House Oversight (104<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Budget (109<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Small Business (110<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- Jt. Printing (104<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**JEFFRIES, HAKEEM.** Democrat; New York, 8<sup>th</sup> District, Elected to the 113<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 2013-present)

Committee assignments:

- H. Budget (113<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Education and the Workforce (114<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Judiciary (113<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**JOHNSON, EDDIE BERNICE.** Democrat; Texas, 30<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 103<sup>rd</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses (served Jan. 3, 1993-present). Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus, 107<sup>th</sup> Congress.

Committee assignments:

- H. Public Works and Transportation (103<sup>rd</sup> Congress)
- H. Science, Space, and Technology / Science / Science and Technology (103<sup>rd</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses; ranking member, 112<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Transportation and Infrastructure (104<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**JOHNSON, HENRY C. (HANK), Jr.** Democrat; Georgia, 4<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 110<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses (served Jan. 4, 2007-present)

Committee assignments:

- H. Armed Services (110<sup>th</sup>-114<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Judiciary (110<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Small Business (110<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Transportation and Infrastructure (115<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**JONES, STEPHANIE TUBBS.** Democrat; Ohio, 11<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 106<sup>th</sup>-110<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 1999 until her death on August 20, 2008)

Committee assignments:

- H. Banking and Financial Services (106<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Financial Services (107<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Small Business (106<sup>th</sup>-107<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Standards of Official Conduct (107<sup>th</sup>-110<sup>th</sup> Congresses; chair, 110<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Ways and Means (108<sup>th</sup>-110<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**JORDAN, BARBARA C.** Democrat; Texas, 18<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 93<sup>rd</sup>-95<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 1973-Jan. 3, 1979)

Committee assignments:

- H. Judiciary (93<sup>rd</sup>-95<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Government Operations (94<sup>th</sup>-95<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**KELLY, ROBIN.** Democrat; Illinois, 2<sup>nd</sup> District. Elected to the 113<sup>th</sup> Congress in an April 9, 2013, special election to vacancy caused by resignation of Jesse Jackson Jr.; reelected to the 114<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served April 11, 2013-present)

Committee assignments:

- H. Oversight and Government Reform (113<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Science, Space, and Technology (113<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Foreign Affairs (114<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**KILPATRICK, CAROLYN CHEEKS.** Democrat; Michigan, 15<sup>th</sup> District (105<sup>th</sup>-107<sup>th</sup> Congresses) and 13<sup>th</sup> District (108<sup>th</sup>-111<sup>th</sup> Congresses). Elected to the 105<sup>th</sup>-111<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 1997-Jan. 3, 2011). Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus, 110<sup>th</sup> Congress.

Committee assignments:

- H. Banking and Financial Services (105<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. House Oversight (105<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- Jt. Library (105<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Appropriations (106<sup>th</sup>-111<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**LANGSTON, JOHN MERCER.** Republican; Virginia, 4<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 51<sup>st</sup> Congress. (served from September 23, 1890-March 3, 1891, after he successfully contested the election of Edward Venable)

Committee assignments:

- H. Education (51<sup>st</sup> Congress)

**LAWRENCE, BRENDA L.** Democrat; Michigan, 14<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 114<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congress. (served Jan. 3, 2015-present)

Committee assignments:

- H. Oversight and Government Reform (114<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Small Business (114<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Transportation and Infrastructure (115<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**LAWSON, ALFRED, Jr.** Democrat; Florida, 3<sup>rd</sup> District. Elected to the 115<sup>th</sup> Congress (served Jan. 3, 2017-present)

Committee assignments:

- H. Agriculture (115<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Small Business (115<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**LEE, BARBARA.** Democrat; California, 9<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 105<sup>th</sup> Congress in an April 7, 1998, special election to fill vacancy caused by resignation of Ronald Dellums; reelected to the 106<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served April 20, 1998-present) Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus, 111<sup>th</sup> Congress.

Committee assignments:

- H. Banking and Financial Services (105<sup>th</sup>-106<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Financial Services (107<sup>th</sup>-109<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Science (105<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. International Relations (107<sup>th</sup>-109<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Foreign Affairs (110<sup>th</sup>-111<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Appropriations (110<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

- H. Budget (113<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**LELAND, GEORGE THOMAS (Mickey).** Democrat; Texas, 18<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 96<sup>th</sup>-101<sup>st</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 1979 until his death Aug. 7, 1989). Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus, 99<sup>th</sup> Congress.

Committee assignments:

- H. District of Columbia (96<sup>th</sup>-99<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Interstate and Foreign Commerce (96<sup>th</sup>-101<sup>st</sup> Congresses)
- H. Post Office and Civil Service (96<sup>th</sup>-101<sup>st</sup> Congresses)
- H. Select Hunger (98<sup>th</sup>-101<sup>st</sup> Congress; chair, 98<sup>th</sup>-101<sup>st</sup> Congresses)
- H. Select Children, Youth, and Families (98<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**LEWIS, JOHN R.** Democrat; Georgia, 5<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 100<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses (served Jan. 6, 1987-present)

Committee assignments:

- H. Public Works and Transportation (100<sup>th</sup>-102<sup>nd</sup> Congresses)
- H. Interior and Insular Affairs (100<sup>th</sup>-102<sup>nd</sup> Congresses)
- H. Select Aging (101<sup>st</sup>-102<sup>nd</sup> Congresses)
- H. District of Columbia (103<sup>rd</sup> Congress)
- H. Ways and Means (103<sup>rd</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Budget (108<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- Jt. Taxation (115<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**LONG, JEFFERSON FRANKLIN.** Republican; Georgia, 4<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 41<sup>st</sup> Congress after the House declared that Rep. Samuel Gove was not entitled to the seat. (served Jan. 16, 1871-March 3, 1871)

Committee assignments:

None

**LOVE, MIA B.** Republican; Utah, 4<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 114<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congress. (served Jan. 3, 2015-present)

Committee assignment:

- H. Financial Services (114<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**LYNCH, JOHN ROY.** Republican; Mississippi, 6<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 43<sup>rd</sup>, 44<sup>th</sup> and 47<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served March 4, 1873-March 3, 1877 and April 29, 1882-March 3, 1883 after he successfully contested the election of James Chalmers)

Committee assignments:

- H. Mines and Mining (43<sup>rd</sup>-44<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

- H. Militia (47<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Education and Labor (47<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**MAJETTE, DENISE L.** Democrat; Georgia, 4<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 108<sup>th</sup> Congress. (served Jan. 3, 2003-Jan. 3, 2005)

Committee assignments:

- H. Budget (108<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Education and the Workforce (108<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Small Business (108<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**MCEACHIN, ASTON DONALD.** Democrat; Virginia, 4<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 115<sup>th</sup> Congress (served Jan. 3, 2017-present)

Committee assignments:

- H. Armed Services (115<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Natural Resources (115<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**MCKINNEY, CYNTHIA.** Democrat; Georgia, 11<sup>th</sup> District (103<sup>rd</sup>-104<sup>th</sup> Congresses) and 4<sup>th</sup> District (105<sup>th</sup>-107<sup>th</sup> Congress and 109<sup>th</sup> Congress). Elected to the 103<sup>rd</sup>-107<sup>th</sup> Congresses and to the 109<sup>th</sup> Congress. (served Jan. 3, 1993-Jan. 3, 2003; Jan. 3, 2005-Jan. 3, 2007)

Committee assignments:

- H. Agriculture (103<sup>rd</sup>-104<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Foreign Affairs (103<sup>rd</sup> Congress)
- H. Banking and Finance (104<sup>th</sup>-105<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. International Relations (104<sup>th</sup>-107<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. National Security (105<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Armed Services (106<sup>th</sup>-107<sup>th</sup> Congresses; 109<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Budget (109<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**MEEK, CARRIE.** Democrat; Florida, 17<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 103<sup>rd</sup>-107<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 1993-Jan. 3, 2003)

Committee assignments:

- H. Appropriations (103<sup>rd</sup> Congress; 105<sup>th</sup>-107<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Budget (104<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Government Reform and Oversight (104<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**MEEK, KENDRICK B.** Democrat; Florida, 17<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 108<sup>th</sup>-111<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served from Jan. 7, 2003-Jan. 3, 2011)

Committee assignments:

- H. Armed Services (108<sup>th</sup>-111<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

- H. Homeland Security (108<sup>th</sup>-109<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Ways and Means (110<sup>th</sup>-111<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**MEEKS, GREGORY W.** Democrat; New York, 5<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 105<sup>th</sup> Congress in a Feb. 3, 1998 special election to fill vacancy caused by the resignation of Floyd Flake; reelected to 106<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Feb. 3, 1998-present)

Committee assignments:

- H. Banking and Financial Services/Financial Services (105<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. International Relations/Foreign Affairs (106<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**METCALFE, RALPH HAROLD.** Democrat; Illinois, 1<sup>st</sup> District. Elected to the 92<sup>nd</sup>-95<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 1971 until his death October 10, 1978)

Committee assignments:

- H. Interstate and Foreign Commerce (92<sup>nd</sup>-95<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Merchant Marine and Fisheries (92<sup>nd</sup>-95<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Post Office and Civil Service (95<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**MFUME, KWEISI.** Democrat; Maryland, 7<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 100<sup>th</sup>-104<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 6, 1987 until his resignation on Feb. 16, 1996). Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus, 103<sup>rd</sup> Congress.

Committee assignments:

- H. Banking, Finance, and Urban Affairs/Banking and Financial Services (100<sup>th</sup>-104<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Small Business (100<sup>th</sup>-104<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Education and Labor (101<sup>st</sup> Congress)
- H. Select Narcotics Abuse and Control (101<sup>st</sup>-102<sup>nd</sup> Congresses)
- Jt. Economic (102<sup>nd</sup>-104<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Standards of Official Conduct (103<sup>rd</sup> Congress)
- H. Select Hunger (100<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**MILLENDER-McDONALD, JUANITA.** Democrat; California, 37<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 104<sup>th</sup> Congress in a March 26, 1996, special election to fill vacancy caused by resignation of Walter Tucker; reelected to the 105<sup>th</sup>-110<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served April 16, 1996 until her death April 22, 2007)

Committee assignments:

- H. Small Business (104<sup>th</sup>-110<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Transportation and Infrastructure (104<sup>th</sup>-110<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Administration (108<sup>th</sup>-110<sup>th</sup> Congresses; ranking member, 109<sup>th</sup> Congress; chair, 110<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- Jt. Library (108<sup>th</sup>-110<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

- Jt. Printing (109<sup>th</sup>-110<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**MILLER, THOMAS EZEKIEL.** Republican; South Carolina, 7<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 51<sup>st</sup> Congress. (served Sept. 24, 1890-March 3, 1891, after successfully contesting the election of William Elliott)

Committee assignments:

- H. Library of Congress (51<sup>st</sup> Congress)

**MITCHELL, ARTHUR WERGS.** Democrat; Illinois, 1<sup>st</sup> District. Elected to the 74<sup>th</sup>-77<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 1935-Jan. 3, 1943)

Committee assignments:

- H. Post Office and Post Roads (74<sup>th</sup>-77<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**MITCHELL, PARREN JAMES.** Democrat; Maryland, 7<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 92<sup>nd</sup>-99<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 1971-Jan. 3, 1987) Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus, 95<sup>th</sup> Congress.

Committee assignments:

- H. Banking and Currency/Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs (92<sup>nd</sup> -99<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Select Small Business (92<sup>nd</sup> -93<sup>rd</sup> Congresses)
- H. Small Business (94<sup>th</sup>, 96<sup>th</sup> -99<sup>th</sup> Congresses; chair, 97<sup>th</sup>-99<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Budget (93<sup>rd</sup> -95<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- Jt. Defense Production (94<sup>th</sup>-95<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- Jt. Economic (95<sup>th</sup>-99<sup>th</sup> Congresses; vice chair, 95<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**MOORE, GWENDOLYNNE (GWEN).** Democrat; Wisconsin, 4<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 109<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 2005-present)

Committee assignments:

- H. Financial Services (109<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Small Business (109<sup>th</sup>-111<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Budget (110<sup>th</sup>-114<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**MOSELEY-BRAUN, CAROL.** Democrat; Illinois, Senator. Elected in 1992. (served Jan. 3, 1993-Jan. 3, 1999)

Committee assignments:

- S. Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs (103<sup>rd</sup>-105<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- S. Judiciary (103<sup>rd</sup> Congress)
- S. Small Business (103<sup>rd</sup> Congress)
- S. Finance (104<sup>th</sup>-105<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

- S. Special Aging (104<sup>th</sup>-105<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**MURRAY, GEORGE WASHINGTON.** Republican; South Carolina, 1<sup>st</sup> District. Elected to the 53<sup>rd</sup>-54<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served March 4, 1893-March 3, 1895 and June 4, 1896-March 3, 1897, after successfully contesting the election)

Committee assignments:

- H. Education (53<sup>rd</sup>-54<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Expenditures in the Department of the Treasury (54<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**NASH, CHARLES EDMUND.** Republican; Louisiana, 6<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 44<sup>th</sup> Congress. (served March 4, 1875-March 3, 1877)

Committee assignments:

- H. Education and Labor (44<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**NIX, ROBERT NELSON CORNELIUS, Sr.** Democrat; Pennsylvania, 4<sup>th</sup> District (85<sup>th</sup>-87<sup>th</sup> Congresses); 2<sup>nd</sup> District (88<sup>th</sup>-95<sup>th</sup> Congresses). Elected to the 85<sup>th</sup>-95<sup>th</sup> Congresses (served June 4, 1958-Jan. 3, 1979)

Committee assignments:

- H. Merchant Marine and Fisheries (85<sup>th</sup>-86<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Foreign Affairs (87<sup>th</sup>-93<sup>rd</sup> Congresses)
- H. International Relations (94<sup>th</sup>-95<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Veterans' Affairs (85<sup>th</sup>-86<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Post Office and Civil Service (88<sup>th</sup>-95<sup>th</sup> Congresses; chair, 95<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Select Standards and Conduct (89<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Crime (91<sup>st</sup> Congress)

**NORTON, ELEANOR HOLMES.** Democrat; Delegate from the District of Columbia. Elected to the 102<sup>nd</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 1991-present)

Committee assignments:

- H. District of Columbia (102<sup>nd</sup>-103<sup>rd</sup> Congresses)
- H. Post Office and Civil Service (102<sup>nd</sup>-103<sup>rd</sup> Congresses)
- H. Public Works and Transportation (102<sup>nd</sup>-103<sup>rd</sup> Congresses)
- Jt. Committee on the Organization of Congress (103<sup>rd</sup> Congress)
- H. Small Business (104<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Oversight and Government Reform/Government Reform (104<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Transportation and Infrastructure (104<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Homeland Security (108<sup>th</sup>-111<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**OBAMA, BARACK.** Democrat; Illinois. Senator. Elected in 2004. (served Jan. 4, 2005 until his resignation Nov. 16, 2008 after being elected President of the United States)

Committee assignments:

- S. Environment and Public Works (109<sup>th</sup>-110<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- S. Foreign Relations (109<sup>th</sup>-110<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- S. Veterans' Affairs (109<sup>th</sup>-110<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- S. Health, Education, Labor and Pensions (110<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- S. Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs (110<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**O'HARA, JAMES EDWARD.** Republican; North Carolina, 2<sup>nd</sup> District. Elected to the 48<sup>th</sup>-49<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served March 4, 1883-March 3, 1887)

Committee assignments:

- H. Mines and Mining (48<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Expenditures on Public Buildings (49<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Invalid Pensions (49<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**OWENS, MAJOR ROBERT ODELL.** Democrat; New York, 11<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 98<sup>th</sup>-110<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 1983-Jan. 3, 2007)

Committee assignments:

- H. Education and Labor/Economic and Educational Opportunities/Education and the Workforce (98<sup>th</sup>-109<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Government Operations/Reform and Oversight (98<sup>th</sup>-109<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**PAYNE, DONALD MILFORD, Sr.** Democrat; New Jersey, 10<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 101<sup>st</sup>-112<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 1989 until his death March 6, 2012) Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus, 104<sup>th</sup> Congress.

Committee assignments:

- H. Education and Labor/Economic and Educational Opportunities/Education and the Workforce (101<sup>st</sup>-112<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Foreign Affairs/International Relations (101<sup>st</sup>-112<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Government Operations (101<sup>st</sup>-103<sup>rd</sup> Congresses)

**PAYNE, DONALD MILFORD, Jr.** Democrat; New Jersey; 10<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 112<sup>th</sup> Congress Nov. 6, 2012, to fill vacancy caused by death of his father Donald Payne, Sr.; simultaneously elected to the 113<sup>th</sup> Congress; reelected to the 114<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Nov. 6, 2012-present)

Committee assignments:

- H. Homeland Security (113<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Small Business (113<sup>th</sup>-114<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

- H. Transportation and Infrastructure (115<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**PLASKETT, STACEY E.** Democrat; Delegate from the U.S. Virgin Islands. Elected to the 114<sup>th</sup> Congress. (served Jan. 3, 2015-present)

Committee assignments:

- H. Agriculture (114<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Oversight and Government Reform (114<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**POWELL, ADAM CLAYTON, Jr.** Democrat; New York, 22<sup>nd</sup> District (79<sup>th</sup>-82<sup>nd</sup> Congresses); 16<sup>th</sup> District (83<sup>rd</sup>-87<sup>th</sup> Congresses); 18<sup>th</sup> District (88<sup>th</sup>-89<sup>th</sup> and 91<sup>st</sup> Congresses). Elected to the 79<sup>th</sup>-90<sup>th</sup> Congress, but was not seated in the 90<sup>th</sup> Congress; and to the 91<sup>st</sup> Congress. (served Jan. 3, 1945-Jan. 3, 1967 and Jan. 3, 1969-Jan. 3, 1971)

Committee assignments:

- H. Indian Affairs (79<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Invalid Pensions (79<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Labor/Education and Labor (79<sup>th</sup>-89<sup>th</sup> and 91<sup>st</sup> Congresses; chair, 87<sup>th</sup>-89<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Interior and Insular Affairs (84<sup>th</sup>-86<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**RAINEY, JOSEPH HAYNE.** Republican; South Carolina, 1<sup>st</sup> District. Elected to the 41<sup>st</sup> Congress after the seat declared vacant, and to the 42<sup>nd</sup>-45<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Dec. 12, 1870-March 3, 1879)

Committee assignments:

- H. Freedmen's Affairs (41<sup>st</sup>-42<sup>nd</sup> Congresses)
- H. Indian Affairs (43<sup>rd</sup> Congress)
- H. Invalid Pensions (44<sup>th</sup>-45<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Select Celebration of Proposed National Census of 1875 (43<sup>rd</sup> Congress)

**RANGEL, CHARLES B.** Democrat; New York, 18<sup>th</sup> District (92<sup>nd</sup> Congress); 19<sup>th</sup> District (93<sup>rd</sup>-97<sup>th</sup> Congresses); 16<sup>th</sup> District (98<sup>th</sup>-102<sup>nd</sup> Congresses); 15<sup>th</sup> District (103<sup>rd</sup>-112<sup>th</sup> Congresses); 13<sup>th</sup> District (113<sup>th</sup>-114<sup>th</sup> Congresses). Elected to the 92<sup>nd</sup>-114<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 1971-Jan. 3, 2017) Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus, 94<sup>th</sup> Congress.

Committee assignments:

- H. Public Works (92<sup>nd</sup> Congress)
- H. Science and Astronautics (92<sup>nd</sup> Congress)
- H. Judiciary (92<sup>nd</sup>-93<sup>rd</sup> Congresses)
- H. District of Columbia (93<sup>rd</sup> Congress)
- H. Ways and Means (94<sup>th</sup>-114<sup>th</sup> Congresses; committee chair, 110<sup>th</sup>-111<sup>th</sup> Congresses; ranking Member, 105<sup>th</sup>-109<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Select Crime (92<sup>nd</sup>-93<sup>rd</sup> Congresses)

- H. Select Narcotics Abuse and Control (94<sup>th</sup>-102<sup>nd</sup> Congresses; chair, 98<sup>th</sup>-102<sup>nd</sup> Congresses)
- Jt. Taxation (104<sup>th</sup>-105<sup>th</sup>, 108<sup>th</sup>, 111<sup>th</sup>, and 114<sup>th</sup> Congresses; chair, 111<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**RANSIER, ALONZO JACOB.** Republican; South Carolina, 2<sup>nd</sup> District. Elected to the 43<sup>rd</sup> Congress. (served March 3, 1873-March 3, 1875)

Committee assignments:

- H. Manufactures (43<sup>rd</sup> Congress)

**RAPIER, JAMES THOMAS.** Republican; Alabama, 2<sup>nd</sup> District. Elected to the 43<sup>rd</sup> Congress (served March 4, 1873-March 3, 1875)

Committee assignments:

- H. Education and Labor (43<sup>rd</sup> Congress)

**REVELS, HIRAM RHODES.** Republican; Mississippi, Senator. Elected in 1870 (served Feb. 23, 1870-March 3, 1871)

Committee assignments:

- S. Education and Labor (41<sup>st</sup> Congress)
- S. District of Columbia (41<sup>st</sup> Congress)

**REYNOLDS, MEL.** Democrat; Illinois, 2<sup>nd</sup> District. Elected to the 103<sup>rd</sup>-104<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 5, 1993 until his resignation October 1, 1995)

Committee assignments:

- H. Ways and Means (103<sup>rd</sup> Congress)
- H. Economic and Education Opportunities (104<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**RICHARDSON, LAURA.** Democrat, California, 37<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 110<sup>th</sup> Congress in an August 21, 2007, special election to fill vacancy caused by death of Juanita Millender-McDonald; reelected to the 111<sup>th</sup>-112<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Sept. 4, 2007 to Jan. 3, 2013)

Committee assignments:

- H. Science and Technology (110<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Transportation and Infrastructure (110<sup>th</sup>-112<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Homeland Security (111<sup>th</sup>-112<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**RICHMOND, CEDRIC.** Democrat; Louisiana, 2<sup>nd</sup> District. Elected to the 112<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses (served Jan. 3, 2011-present). Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus, 115<sup>th</sup> Congress.

Committee assignments:

- H. Judiciary (113<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Homeland Security (112<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congress)

- H. Small Business (112<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**RUSH, BOBBY L.** Democrat; Illinois, 1<sup>st</sup> District. Elected to the 103<sup>rd</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses (served Jan. 4, 1993-present)

Committee assignments:

- H. Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs (103<sup>rd</sup> Congress)
- H. Government Operations (103<sup>rd</sup> Congress)
- H. Science, Space and Technology (103<sup>rd</sup> Congress)
- H. Commerce/Energy and Commerce (104<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**SAVAGE, GUS.** Democrat; Illinois, 2<sup>nd</sup> District. Elected to the 97<sup>th</sup>-102<sup>nd</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 1981-Jan. 3, 1993)

Committee assignments:

- H. Post Office and Civil Service (97<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Public Works and Transportation (97<sup>th</sup>-102<sup>nd</sup> Congresses)
- H. Small Business (97<sup>th</sup>-102<sup>nd</sup> Congresses)

**SCOTT, DAVID.** Democrat; Georgia, 13<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 108<sup>th</sup>- 115<sup>th</sup> Congresses (served Jan. 7, 2003-present)

Committee assignments:

- H. Agriculture (108<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Financial Services (108<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Foreign Affairs (111<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**SCOTT, ROBERT C.** Democrat; Virginia, 3<sup>rd</sup> District. Elected to the 103<sup>rd</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 4, 1993-present)

Committee assignments:

- H. Education and Labor/Economic and Educational Opportunities/Education and the Workforce (103<sup>rd</sup>-107<sup>th</sup>, 109<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Judiciary (103<sup>rd</sup>-113<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Science, Space, and Technology (103<sup>rd</sup> Congress)
- H. Select U.S. National Security and Military/Commercial Concerns with the People's Republic of China (106<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Budget (108<sup>th</sup>, 110<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Standards of Official Conduct (110<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- Jt. Select Solvency of Multiemployer Pension Plans (115<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**SCOTT, TIM.** Republican; South Carolina, 1<sup>st</sup> District. Senator. Elected to the 112<sup>th</sup> Congress (served in House Jan. 3, 2011 until his resignation Jan. 2, 2013) Appointed to the Senate in January 2013 to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Jim DeMint; reelected to the remainder of the term in 2014 and to a full term in 2016. (served in Senate January 3, 2013-present)

Committee assignments:

- H. Rules (112<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- S. Armed Services (115<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- S. Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs (114<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- S. Commerce, Science and Transportation (113<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- S. Energy and Natural Resources (113<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- S. Finance (114<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- S. Health, Education, Labor and Pensions (113<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- S. Small Business and Entrepreneurship (113<sup>th</sup>-114<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- S. Special Aging (113<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**SEWELL, TERRYCINA (“TERRI”).** Democrat; Alabama, 7<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 112<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 2011-present)

Committee assignments:

- H. Agriculture (112<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Science, Space and Technology (112<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Financial Services (113<sup>th</sup>-114<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Intelligence (113<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Ways and Means (115<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**SMALLS, ROBERT.** Republican; South Carolina, 7<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 44<sup>th</sup>-45<sup>th</sup> and 47<sup>th</sup>-49<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served March 4, 1875-March 3, 1879; July 19, 1892-March 3, 1883, after he successfully contested the reelection of George Tillman, and March 18, 1884-March 3, 1887, after he was elected to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Edmund Mackey)

Committee assignments:

- H. Agriculture (44<sup>th</sup>, 47<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Militia (45<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Manufactures (48<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. War Claims (49<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**STEWART, BENNETT MCVEY.** Democrat; Illinois, 1<sup>st</sup> District. Elected to the 96<sup>th</sup> Congress. (served Jan. 3, 1979-Jan. 3, 1981)

Committee assignments:

- H. Appropriations (96<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**STOKES, LOUIS.** Democrat; Ohio, 21<sup>st</sup> District (91<sup>st</sup>-102<sup>nd</sup> Congresses); 11<sup>th</sup> District (103<sup>rd</sup>-105<sup>th</sup> Congresses). Elected to the 91<sup>st</sup>-105<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 1969 to Jan. 3, 1999) Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus, 93<sup>rd</sup> Congress.

Committee assignments:

- H. Education and Labor (91<sup>st</sup> Congress)
- H. Internal Security (91<sup>st</sup> Congress)
- H. Appropriations (92<sup>nd</sup>-105<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Budget (95<sup>th</sup>-96<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Standards of Official Conduct (96<sup>th</sup>-98<sup>th</sup> and 102<sup>nd</sup> Congresses; chair, 97<sup>th</sup>-98<sup>th</sup> and 102<sup>nd</sup> Congresses)
- H. Select Assassinations (94<sup>th</sup>-95<sup>th</sup> Congresses; chair, 95<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Select Intelligence (98<sup>th</sup>-100<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Select to Investigate Arms Transactions to Iran (100<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**THOMPSON, BENNIE.** Democrat; Mississippi, 2<sup>nd</sup> District. Elected to the 103<sup>rd</sup> Congress in an April 13, 1993 special election to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mike Espy. (served April 13, 1993-present)

Committee assignments:

- H. Agriculture (103<sup>rd</sup>-108<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Merchant Marine and Fisheries (103<sup>rd</sup> Congress)
- H. Small Business (103<sup>rd</sup>-104<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Budget (105<sup>th</sup>-107<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Homeland Security (108<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses; chair 110<sup>th</sup>-111<sup>th</sup> Congresses; ranking Member, 112<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**TOWNS, EDOLPHUS.** Democrat; New York, 11<sup>th</sup> District (98<sup>th</sup>-102<sup>nd</sup> Congresses); 10<sup>th</sup> District (103<sup>rd</sup>-112<sup>th</sup> Congresses). Elected to the 98<sup>th</sup>-112<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 1983-Jan. 23, 2013) Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus, 102<sup>nd</sup> Congress.

Committee assignments:

- H. Government Operations/Government Reform and Oversight/Oversight and Government Reform (98<sup>th</sup>-112<sup>th</sup> Congresses; chair, 111<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Public Works and Transportation (98<sup>th</sup>-104<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Energy and Commerce/Commerce (101<sup>st</sup>-110<sup>th</sup> and 112<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Select Narcotics Abuse and Control (98<sup>th</sup>-102<sup>nd</sup> Congresses)

**TUCKER, WALTER R., III.** Democrat; California, 37<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 103<sup>rd</sup>-104<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 5, 1993 until his resignation on December 15, 1995)

Committee assignments:

- H. Public Works and Transportation/Transportation and Infrastructure (103<sup>rd</sup>-104<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

- H. Small Business (103<sup>rd</sup>-104<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**TURNER, BENJAMIN STERLING.** Republican; Alabama, 1<sup>st</sup> District. Elected to the 42<sup>nd</sup> Congress. (served March 4, 1871-March 3, 1873)

Committee assignments:

- H. Invalid Pensions (42<sup>nd</sup> Congress)

**VEASEY, MARC.** Democrat; Texas, 33<sup>rd</sup> District. Elected to 113<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 2015-present)

Committee assignments:

- H. Armed Services (113<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Science, Space and Technology (113<sup>th</sup> -115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**WALDON, ALTON R., Jr.** Democrat; New York, 6<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 99<sup>th</sup> Congress in a June 10, 1986 special election to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Joseph P. Addabbo (served July 29, 1986-Jan. 3, 1987)

Committee assignments:

- H. Education and Labor (99<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**WALLS, JOSIAH THOMAS.** Republican; Florida, At-Large (42<sup>nd</sup> and 43<sup>rd</sup> Congresses); 2<sup>nd</sup> District (44<sup>th</sup> Congress). Elected to the 42<sup>nd</sup>-44<sup>th</sup> Congresses (served March 4, 1871-Jan. 29, 1873, when his election was successfully contested; March 4, 1873-March 3, 1875; and March 4, 1875-April 19, 1876, when his election was successfully contested)

Committee assignments:

- H. Militia (42<sup>nd</sup>-43<sup>rd</sup> Congresses)
- H. Mileage (44<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**WASHINGTON, CRAIG ANTHONY.** Democrat; Texas, 18<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 101<sup>st</sup> Congress in a Dec. 9, 1989 special election to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mickey Leland; reelected to the 102<sup>nd</sup>-103<sup>rd</sup> Congresses (served Dec. 9, 1989-Jan. 3, 1995)

Committee assignments:

- H. Education and Labor (101<sup>st</sup>-102<sup>nd</sup> Congresses)
- H. Judiciary (101<sup>st</sup>-103<sup>rd</sup> Congresses)
- H. Energy and Commerce (103<sup>rd</sup> Congress)
- H. Government Operations (103<sup>rd</sup> Congress)
- H. Select Committee on Narcotics Abuse and Control (102<sup>nd</sup> Congress)

**WASHINGTON, HAROLD.** Democrat; Illinois, 1<sup>st</sup> District. Elected to the 97<sup>th</sup>-98<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 1981 until his resignation April 29, 1983)

Committee assignments:

- H. Government Operations (97<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Education and Labor (97<sup>th</sup>-98<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Judiciary (97<sup>th</sup>-98<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**WATERS, MAXINE.** Democrat; California, 29<sup>th</sup> District (102<sup>nd</sup> Congress), 35<sup>th</sup> District (103<sup>rd</sup>-112<sup>th</sup> Congresses) and 43<sup>rd</sup> District (113<sup>th</sup> Congress-present). Elected to the 102<sup>nd</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 1991-present) Chair, Congressional Black Caucus, 105<sup>th</sup> Congress.

Committee assignments:

- H. Banking, Finance, and Urban Affairs/Banking and Financial Services (102<sup>nd</sup>-106<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Financial Services (107<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses; ranking member, 113<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Veterans' Affairs (102<sup>nd</sup>-104<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Small Business (103<sup>rd</sup>-104<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Judiciary (105<sup>th</sup>-112<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**WATSON, DIANE.** Democrat; California, 32<sup>nd</sup> District (107<sup>th</sup> Congress) and 33<sup>rd</sup> District (108<sup>th</sup>-111<sup>th</sup> Congresses). Elected to the 107<sup>th</sup> Congress in a June 5, 2001, special election to fill vacancy caused by death of Julian Dixon; reelected to the 108<sup>th</sup>-111<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served June 7, 2001-Jan. 3, 2011)

Committee assignments:

- H. Government Reform/Oversight and Government Reform (107<sup>th</sup>-111<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. International Relations (107<sup>th</sup>-109<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Foreign Affairs (110<sup>th</sup>-111<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**WATSON COLEMAN, BONNIE.** Democrat; New Jersey, 12<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 114<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 2015-present)

Committee assignments:

- H. Homeland Security (114<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Oversight and Government Reform (114<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**WATT, MELVIN L.** Democrat; North Carolina, 12<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 103<sup>rd</sup>-113<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 5, 1993 until his resignation Jan. 6, 2014) Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus, 109<sup>th</sup> Congress.

Committee assignments:

- H. Banking, Finance, and Urban Affairs/Banking and Financial Services/Financial Services (103<sup>rd</sup>-113<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Post Office and Civil Service (103<sup>rd</sup> Congress)
- H. Judiciary (103<sup>rd</sup>-113<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- Jt. Economic (107<sup>th</sup>-108<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

**WATTS, JULIUS CAESAR, Jr. (J.C.)** Republican; Oklahoma, 4<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 104<sup>th</sup>-107<sup>th</sup> Congresses. (served Jan. 3, 1995-Jan. 3, 2003)

Committee assignments:

- H. Banking and Financial Services (104<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. National Security (104<sup>th</sup>-105<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Transportation and Infrastructure (105<sup>th</sup>-106<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Armed Services (106<sup>th</sup>-107<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

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Committee assignments:

- H. Armed Services (112<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Small Business (112<sup>th</sup> Congress)

**WHEAT, ALAN DUPREE.** Democrat; Missouri, 5<sup>th</sup> District. Elected to the 98<sup>th</sup>-103<sup>rd</sup> Congresses (served Jan. 3, 1983-Jan. 3, 1995)

Committee assignments:

- H. District of Columbia (98<sup>th</sup>-103<sup>rd</sup> Congresses)
- H. Rules (98<sup>th</sup>-103<sup>rd</sup> Congresses)
- H. Select Children, Youth, and Families (98<sup>th</sup>-102<sup>nd</sup> Congresses)
- H. Select Hunger (101<sup>st</sup>-102<sup>nd</sup> Congresses)

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Committee assignments:

- H. Agriculture (55<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. District of Columbia (55<sup>th</sup>-56<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

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Committee assignments:

- H. Foreign Affairs (112<sup>th</sup> Congress)
- H. Science, Space and Technology (112<sup>th</sup>-113<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Education and the Workforce (114<sup>th</sup>-115<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Transportation and Infrastructure (115<sup>th</sup> Congress)

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Committee assignments:

- H. Banking, Finance, and Urban Affairs/Banking and Financial Services (103<sup>rd</sup>-104<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Foreign Affairs/International Relations (103<sup>rd</sup>-104<sup>th</sup> Congresses)
- H. Post Office and Civil Service (103<sup>rd</sup> Congress)
- H. Commerce/Energy and Commerce (105<sup>th</sup>-110<sup>th</sup> Congresses)

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Committee assignments:

- H. Banking, Currency and Housing (93<sup>rd</sup> Congress)
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