



STATE SENATOR JEAN LEISING

SENATE DISTRICT 42

BIOGRAPHY

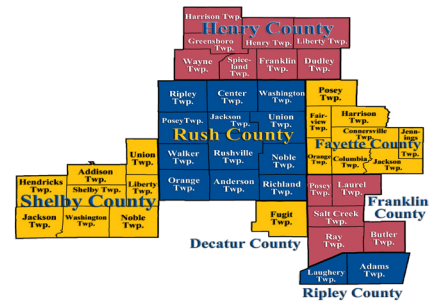
State Sen. Jean Leising has represented Senate District 42 since she was elected in 2008 as well as from 1988 to 1996. She serves all of Rush County and portions of Decatur, Fayette, Franklin, Henry, Ripley and Shelby counties.

Leising is Chair of the Senate Committee on Agriculture and Ranking Member of the Senate Committee on Natural Resources. She also serves as a member of the Senate Committees on Commerce and Technology; Education and Career Development; Health and Provider Services; and Utilities.

Outside the Senate, Leising works as a travel agent and farmer. She is a retired nurse, and attended Good Samaritan School of Nursing in Cincinnati, Ohio.

She has received numerous awards during her time at the Senate, including Indiana Farm Bureau's Farm Woman of the Year Award in 1984; Indiana Conservation Officers and Their Families' Legislator of the Year Award in 1995; National Rifle Association's Defender of Freedom Award in 1996; American Legion of Indiana's Distinguished Public Service Award in 2009; Indiana Volunteer Fire Fighters Association's Legislator of the Year Award in 2010; New Horizons Partnership Award in 2010; Developmental Services Inc. Paul Roahrig Memorial President's Award in 2010; Family Health Services Award in 2011; Champion of Indiana's Electric Cooperatives in 2013; Indiana Latino Scholarship Fund Award in 2013; Direct Support Professionals of Indiana and Self-Advocates of Indiana's Friend of the Industry Award in 2015; Indiana Prosecuting Attorneys Council Legislative Excellence Award in 2016; Indiana Family Institute's 100 Percent Legislative Rating in 2017; and Indiana Disability Rights' Promoting the Rights of Individuals with Disabilities Award in 2018.

Leising and her husband, Frank, live in Oldenburg. She has three children and eight grandchildren.



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