

STATE SENATOR ERIC KOCH

SENATE DISTRICT 44

BIOGRAPHY

State Sen. Eric Koch has served Senate District 44 since 2016. The district includes parts of Bartholomew, Jackson and Monroe counties and all of Brown and Lawrence counties. Before his election to the Indiana State Senate, Koch served District 65 in the House of Representatives from 2002 to 2016.

Koch serves as Chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee and as a member on the Senate Committees on Commerce and Technology; Corrections and Criminal Law; and Utilities. He also serves on the Indiana Supreme Court's Indiana Innovation Initiative and the Indiana Supreme Court's Commercial Courts Committee.

Professionally, Koch is an attorney with Koch and McAuley PC. He is also on the Board of Governors of the Society of Indiana Pioneers, and represents Indiana as a Commissioner on the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws. Koch also serves as co-chair of the National Conference of State Legislatures Energy Supply Task Force and is a member of the Federal Communications Commission's Consumer Advisory Committee, the National Council on Electricity Policy's Executive Committee and the Board of Directors of Mid-Southern Savings Bank, FSB and its holding company Mid-Southern Bancorp, Inc.

He was named a Sagamore of the Wabash by Gov. Mike Pence and a Kentucky Colonel by Gov. Ernie Fletcher.





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Koch's awards and honors include the Guardian of Small Business Award from the National Federation of Independent Businesses in 2019, Legislative Excellence Award from the Indiana Prosecuting Attorneys Council in 2018, Legislator of the Year from the Indiana Chapter National Association of Water Companies in 2018, Mothers Against Drunk Driving in 2017, Indiana Volunteer Firefighters Association in 2015, Indiana Trial Lawyers Association in 2008 and 2015, and Indiana Telecommunication Association in 2011; Legislative Service Award from Indiana Municipal Power Agency in 2017; Champion of Justice from Indiana Judges Association in 2016; and National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association in 2016.



He received the Outstanding Achievement in State Tax Reform Award in 2015, Champion of Indiana's Electric Cooperatives in 2015, the Randall T. Shepard Award from the Indiana Pro Bono Commission in 2012, and Cordry-Sweetwater Conservancy District in 2010. Koch also received the President's Award from the Southern Indiana Center for Independent Living in 2006 and 2008, the Legislative Leadership Award from Indiana Rural Health Association in 2006, and the Government Leadership Award from the Greater Bloomington Chamber of Commerce in 2005.

Koch and his wife, Connie, reside in Bedford and have three sons. He is a graduate of Georgetown University (BS) and the Indiana University School of Law (JD). He has done post-graduate work at the Indiana University McKinney School of Law (Civil Mediation Certificate), Southern Methodist University (Certficate, Community Bank Directors Program) and the University of Idaho's College of Business and Economics (Graduate Certificate in Energy Policy Planning).



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