

Biography of
THE HONORABLE BRUCE MALOCH
ARKANSAS STATE SENATOR



**CHAIRMAN – SENATE RULES, RESOLUTIONS &
MEMORIALS**
SENATE DISTRICT 12

Arkansas State Senator Bruce Maloch represents Senate District 12, which includes Columbia and Dallas counties and portions of Clark, Grant, Nevada and Ouachita counties. He is serving his first term in the Senate. In the 90th General Assembly, he is chairman of Senate Rules, Resolutions & Memorials and co-chairman of Arkansas Legislative Council (ALC) – Peer Committee. He is vice-chairman of Joint Budget Committee (JBC) – Special Language and ALC-Administrative Rules & Regulations. Senator Maloch’s current committee memberships include: Senate Revenue & Tax; Senate Agriculture, Forestry & Economic Development; Arkansas Legislative Council (ALC); Joint Public Retirement & Social Security Programs; Joint Budget Committee (JBC); ALC-Personnel; Economic and Tax Policy; ALC-Lottery Oversight Subcommittee; Arkansas State Game & Fish Commission Oversight Committee and Girls State.

In the 89th General Assembly, Senator Maloch served as chairman of ALC-Peer Committee and the Economic and Tax Policy Committee. He was vice chairman of Senate Agriculture, Forestry & Economic Development and the ALC-Administrative Rules and Regulations Committees. His memberships included Senate Rules, Resolutions & Memorials, Senate Revenue & Tax; Arkansas Legislative Council (ALC); Joint Budget Committee (JBC); Joint Public Retirement & Social Security Programs; ALC-Review and JBC-Review.

Regionally and nationally, Senator Maloch works with legislators from across the nation as a member of the Southern Legislative Conference (SLC), the Council of State Governments (CSG) and the National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL). He serves on the Agriculture & Rural Development Committee of SLC, the Fiscal and Economic Development/Public Policy Committee of CSG and on the Communications, Financial Services & Interstate Commerce Committee of the NCSL.

Senator Maloch has been involved in public service for decades. In 2004 he was elected to the Arkansas House of Representatives, where he served three consecutive terms. In his first term, he was elected chairman of his 37-member Freshman Caucus. While serving in the House, he was chairman of the Joint Budget Committee, where he helped guide the 87th General Assembly through the state's first Fiscal Session. Maloch was recognized as Legislator of the Year by the Arkansas Realtors Association, Person of the Year by the Arkansas Municipal League and was named one of the state's top 10 legislators by *Talk Business* magazine.

Professionally, Maloch practiced law nearly three years with Anderson, Crumpler, Bell & Maloch before joining Farmers Bank & Trust Co. He is currently the company's Vice Chairman, Chief Operating Officer and General Counsel and is a member of the board of directors.

Senator Maloch has been active with several community and civic organizations:

- Abilities Unlimited (Past Board Member)
- Arkansas Farm Bureau Young Farmers and Ranchers State Committee (Chairman, 1989)
- Arkansas FFA Foundation, Inc. (Past Chairman)
- Arkansas Cattlemen's Association (Secretary-Treasurer, 1992-1996)
- Arkansas State Fair and Livestock Association (Executive Committee, 2007-present)
- Columbia County Bar Association (Past President)
- Columbia County Cattlemen's Association (President, 1990-1991)

- Columbia County Fair Association (Board Member)
- Columbia County Farm Bureau (Board Member)
- Columbia County Industrial Development Corporation (Past Board Member)
- Columbia County Quorum Court (Member, 1988-1998)
- International Brangus Breeders Association (Past Board Member)
- Magnolia Airport Commission (Past Commissioner)
- Magnolia-Columbia County Chamber of Commerce (President, 1986-1987)
- Magnolia Industrial Park (Past Board Member)
- Magnolia Rotary Club (Past Board Member; Current Member)
- South Arkansas Development Council (Past Board Member) Southern Arkansas University Alumni Association (President, 1994-1995)

Born in Magnolia, Senator Maloch received his Bachelor of Business Administration in Business Agriculture from Southern Arkansas University and his Juris Doctor with honors from the University of Arkansas at Little Rock School of Law. Additionally, he is a graduate of the Institute on Comparative Economic and Political Systems (Georgetown University) and the Southwestern Graduate School of Banking (Southern Methodist University). He and wife Martha have one son and two daughters and are members of First Baptist Church of Magnolia. They have four granddaughters.