Biography of

THE HONORABLE LINDA CHESTERFIELD ARKANSAS STATE SENATOR



92nd General Assembly Committee Assignments

Chair - SENATE EFFICIENCY

Co-Chair - ALC-POLICY MAKING

Member - ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL (ALC); JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE; JBC-SPECIAL LANGUAGE; ALC-PERSONNEL; ALC-HOSPITAL AND MEDICAID STUDY SUBCOMMITTEE; ALC-HIGHWAY COMMISSION REVIEW AND ADVISORY SUBCOMMITTEE; GIRLS STATE; EDUCATION COMMITTEE - SENATE; INSURANCE & COMMERCE - SENATE; ENERGY - JOINT; LEGISLATIVE FACILITIES; ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE BLACK CAUCUS; ACADEMIC FACILITIES OVERSIGHT COMMITEE

Alternate - LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING

Senator Linda Chesterfield represents District 30, which includes parts of Pulaski County on both the south and north sides of the Arkansas River.

She served six years in the House of Representatives, from 2003 through 2008. In 2010 she was elected to the Senate, where she now chairs the Senate Efficiency Committee. She is a member of the Senate Education Committee and the Senate Committee on Insurance and Commerce. She also serves on the Legislative Facilities Committee, the Joint Budget Committee and the Legislative Council.

Senator Chesterfield is a past president of the Little Rock School Board and the Pulaski County Association of Classroom Teachers. She also served two terms as president of the Arkansas Education Association. Senator Chesterfield was on the board of the National Education Association and is the only Arkansan to have been elected to the NEA's nine-member Executive Committee.

Senator Chesterfield has been president of the Democratic Black Caucus and Interim President of the Arkansas Legislative Black Caucus.

She is a retired educator with over 30 years of classroom experience. She and her husband, Emry, own a consulting firm, Pondexter Chesterfield Consulting. A native of Hope, Arkansas, Senator Chesterfield was the first African-American to graduate from Hendrix College in Conway.