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Geoff Michel

Geoff Michel (b. November 13, 1963) is a former Republican member of the Minnesota State Senate, representing District 41 from 2003 to 2013 and serving as State Senate Deputy Majority Leader. Before serving in the Senate, Michel served as Legal Counsel for former Independent-Republican Governor Arne Carlson, and a Legislative Assistant to Congressman Bill Frenzel.

Michel graduated from Dartmouth with his Bachelor's degree and later graduated from Minnesota with his Juris Doctor degree. Michel is an attorney in addition to being a Senator.

Geoff Michel	
Republican Party	
Prior offices	
Minnesota State Senate District 41	
Education	
Bachelor's	Dartmouth College
Law	University of Minnesota
Personal	
Religion	Christian: Presbyterian
Profession	Attorney

Committee assignments

2011-2012

In the 2011-2012 legislative session, Michel served on these committees:

- Jobs and Economic Growth, Chair
- Rules and Administration
- Taxes, Vice Chair

2009-2010

In the 2009-2010 legislative session, Michel served on these committees:

- Business, Industry and Jobs (Ranking Minority Member)
- Capital Investment
- E-12 Education Budget and Policy Division
- Education
- Higher Education
- Higher Education Budget and Policy Division[1].

Elections

2010

See also: Minnesota State Senate elections, 2010

Michel won re-election to the 41st District seat in 2010. He faced Bill Reichert in the primary. Steve Elkins ran for the seat on the DFL ticket. The general election took place on November 2, 2010.

Minnesota State Senate, District 41 (2010)		
Candidates	**Votes**	**Percent**
✔ **Geoff Michel (R)**	**20890**	**56.42%**
Steve Elkins (DFL)	16098	43.48%
Write-In	39	0.11%

2006

On November 7, 2006, Michel won re-election to the 41st District Seat in the Minnesota State Senate, defeating opponents Andrew Borene (DFL) and Julie Risser (G).[2]

Minnesota State Senate, District 41 (2006)		
Candidates	**Votes**	**Percent**
✔ **Geoff Michel (R)**	**21,216**	56.10%
Andrew Borene (DFL)	11,132	29.44%
Julie Risser (G)	5,431	14.36%
Write-In	36	0.10%

Campaign donors

2010

In 2010, Michel received $86,092 in campaign donations. The top contributors are listed below.[3]

Minnesota State Senate 2010 election - Campaign Contributions [show]

2006

In 2006, Michel collected $102,679 in donations.[4]

His five largest contributors in 2006 were:

Donor	Amount
Public Fund	$17,392
41st Senate District Republican Party	$3,500
3rd Congressional District Republican Party	$600
Robert Maher	$500
Robert Schroeder	$500

Scorecards

Taxpayers League of Minnesota

The *Taxpayers League of Minnesota*, a Minnesota-based taxpayer advocacy organization, releases a legislative scorecard for the Minnesota House of Representatives and Minnesota State Senate once a year. The scorecard gives each legislator a score based on how they voted in the prior legislative term on tax issues and "their efforts to balance the state budget without a tax increase." The organization also compiles a legislator's individual "Lifetime Score."[5]

2012

Michel received a score of 43 percent in the 2012 scorecard, ranking 330th out of all 67 Minnesota State Senate members.[6]

2011

Michel received a score of 77 percent in the 2011 scorecard, ranking 23rd out of all 67 Minnesota State Senate members.[7]

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District 41

Michel represents Minnesota Senate District 41. District 41 includes the Minneapolis/St. Paul suburbs of Bloomington and Edina[8].

Personal

Note: Please contact us if the personal information below requires an update.

Geoff is married to Annie Michel. They have four children and reside in Edina, Minnesota.

Email editor@ballotpedia.org to notify us of updates to this biography.

External links

- Geoff Michel's official Minnesota State Senate website
- Biography from Project Vote Smart
- Legislative Profile from Project Vote Smart
- Campaign Contributions: 2010, 2008, 2006, 2004, 2002
- Minnesota Public Radio votetracker profile

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Footnotes

1. ↑ "Minnesota Senate" List of Standing Committees
2. ↑ *Minnesota Secretary of State*, "Official Results General Election - Nov. 7, 2006," accessed May 15, 2014
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Political offices		
Preceded by -	**Minnesota State Senate District 41** 2003-2013	Succeeded by **Barbara Goodwin (DFL)**

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