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Roy McDonald

Roy McDonald (b. April 12, 1947) is a former Republican member of the New York State Senate, representing District 43 from 2009 to 2013.

McDonald has served on the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors as Town and County Supervisor since 1979. In 2002, he was Chair of the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors. He then served in the New York Assembly from 2002 to 2008.

Roy McDonald	
Republican Party	
Prior offices	
New York State Assembly	
New York State Senate District 43	
Education	
Associate	Hudson Valley Community College
Bachelor's	State University of New York
Graduate	State University of New York
Military	
Service / branch	U.S. Army
Years of service	1969 - 1972
Personal	
Profession	Business

Biography

McDonald earned his A.A. from Hudson Valley Community College in 1967 and his B.A. and M.S. from the State University of New York, Oneonta, in 1969 and 1974, respectively. His professional experience includes working as Vice President for Cowen and Company, as Program Manager for International Business Machines Corporation, as Assistant Vice-President of Chemical Bank and as the Vice President of the Municipal Securities Group at Paine Webber Incorporated. He served as an Artillery Forward Observer in Vietnam in the United States Army from 1969 to 1972.[1]

Committee assignments

2011-2012

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

- Alcoholism and Drug Abuse
- Commerce, Economic Development and Small Business
- Health
- Labor
- Local Government
- Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities *Chair*
- Racing, Gaming and Wagering
- Transportation
- Veterans, Homeland Security and Military Affairs

2009-2010

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

- Children and Families Committee, New York State Senate
- Insurance Committee, New York State Senate
- Labor Committee, New York State Senate
- Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Committee, New York State Senate
- Racing, Gaming and Wagering Committee, New York State Senate
- Social Services Committee, New York State Senate
- Veterans, Homeland Security and Military Affairs Committee, New York State Senate

Elections

2012

See also: New York State Senate elections, 2012

McDonald ran in the 2012 election for New York State Senate District 43. He lost to Kathleen A. Marchione in the Republican primary on September 13, 2012. According to unofficial results Marchione led by a small margin. The race came down to absentee ballots. McDonald lost by less than 150 votes.[2][3]

McDonald could have ran as an Independence candidate in the general election, but announced on September 27 that he was endorsing Marchione.[4][5]

Robin Andrews ran unopposed in the Democratic primary, Marchione and Edward J. Gilbert ran in the Conservative Party primary. Marchione defeated Andrews and McDonald in the general election, which took place on November 6, 2012.[6]

New York State Senate, District 43, General Election, 2012 [Collapse]

PARTY	CANDIDATE	VOTE %	VOTES
Republican	✔**Kathleen A. Marchione**	47.2%	60,856
Democratic	Robin Andrews	36.5%	47,022
Independence	Roy McDonald	16.2%	20,929
Total Votes			**128,807**

New York State Senate, District 43 Republican Primary, 2012 [Collapse]

CANDIDATE	VOTE %	VOTES
✔**Kathleen Marchione**	50.3%	7,339
Roy McDonald *Incumbent*	49.7%	7,240
Total Votes		**14,579**

McDonald did not receive the endorsement of the Conservative Party due to his vote in favor of legalizing same-sex marriage.[7]

2010

See also: New York State Senate elections, 2010

McDonald was unopposed in the Republican primary. He defeated Joanne Yepsen (D) in the November 2 general election.[8][9] He ran as a member of the Republican, Independence and Conservative party.

New York State Senate, General Election Results, District 43 (2010)

Candidates	Votes
✔ **Roy McDonald (R)**	**64,811**
Joanne Yepsen (D)	46,542

2008

See also: New York State Senate elections, 2008

On November 4, 2008, Roy McDonald won the election for New York State Senate, District 43 with 82,211 votes.[10][11]

McDonald raised $854,363 for his campaign.[12]

New York State Senate, District 43 (2008)

Candidates	Votes
✔ **Roy McDonald (CON)**	**82,211**
Michael Russo (D)	54,582

Campaign donors

2010

Listed below are the largest contributors to McDonald's 2010 campaign.[13]

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2008

Listed below are the five largest contributors to Roy McDonald's 2008 campaign.

Donor	Amount
Senate Republican Campaign CMTE of New York	$511,170
CMTE to Elect McDonald to the Assembly	$16,216
Friends for the Election of Dean Skelos	$15,500
W. P. Dake	$10,000
CMTE to Re-elect Senator Joseph Bruno	$9,500

Personal

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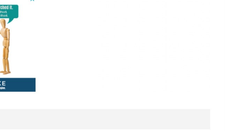
McDonald and his wife, Angela, have three children.



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- Official New York State Senate website
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Footnotes

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