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SENATORS

THAD COCHRAN, Republican, of Jackson, MS; born in Pontotoc, MS, December 7, 1937; education: B.A., University of Mississippi, 1959; J.D., University of Mississippi Law School, 1965; received a Rotary Foundation Fellowship and studied international law and jurisprudence at Trinity College, University of Dublin, Ireland, 1963–64; military service: served in U.S. Navy, 1959–61; employment: admitted to Mississippi bar in 1965; board of directors, Jackson Rotary Club, 1970–71; Outstanding Young Man of the Year Award, Junior Chamber of Commerce in Mississippi, 1971; president, young lawyers section of Mississippi State bar, 1972–73; married: the former Rose Clayton of New Albany, MS, 1964; two children and a grandson; elected to the 93rd Congress, November 7, 1972; reelected to 94th and 95th Congresses; elected to the U.S. Senate, November 7, 1978, for the six-year term beginning January 3, 1979; subsequently appointed by the governor, December 27, 1978, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Senator James O. Eastland; reelected to each subsequent Senate term; chairman of the Senate Republican Conference, 1990–96; committees: Appropriations; chairman, Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry; Rules and Administration; Joint Committee on the Library of Congress; Joint Committee on Printing; co-chairman, National Security Working Group.

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