

MISSISSIPPI

(Population 2010, 2,967,297)

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ROGER F. WICKER, Republican, of Tupelo, MS; born in Pontotoc, MS, July 5, 1951; education: graduated, Pontotoc High School; B.A., University of Mississippi, 1973; J.D., University of Mississippi, 1975; president, Associated Student Body, 1972–73; *Mississippi Law Journal*, 1973–75; Air Force ROTC; professional: U.S. Air Force, 1976–80; U.S. Air Force Reserve, 1980–2004 (retired with rank of Lieutenant Colonel); U.S. House of Representatives Rules Committee staff for Representative Trent Lott, 1980–82; private law practice, 1982–94; Lee County Public Defender, 1984–87; Tupelo City Judge Pro Tempore, 1986–87; Mississippi State Senate, 1988–94, chairman: Elections Committee, 1992, Public Health and Welfare Committee, 1993–94; member: Lions Club, University of Mississippi Hall of Fame, Sigma Nu Fraternity Hall of Fame, Omicron Delta Kappa, Phi Delta Phi; religion: Southern Baptist, deacon, adult choir of First Baptist Church, Tupelo, MS; married: Gayle Long Wicker; children: Margaret (Manning) McPhillips, Caroline (Kirk) Sims, and McDaniel (Kellee) Wicker; grandchildren: Caroline McPhillips, Henry McPhillips, Maury Beth McPhillips, Virginia McPhillips, Evelyn Sims, and Joseph Sims; co-chairman of the U.S. Helsinki Commission and a vice president of the OSCE's Parliamentary Assembly; committees: chair, Commerce, Science, and Transportation; Armed Services; Environment and Public Works; Rules and Administration; Joint Committee on Printing; elected to the 104th Congress, November 8, 1994; president, Republican freshman class, 1995; reelected to each succeeding Congress; appointed by the Governor, December 31, 2007, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Senator Trent Lott; elected to the U.S. Senate on November 4, 2008; reelected to each succeeding Senate term.

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