

Federal

Appointed Officials

Leanne Abdnor, President and National spokesperson of For Our Grandchildren
Samir Abu Ghazaleh, Cancer Advisory Board
Joseph C. Ayoub, Director, Strategic Planning and External Affairs Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor, Dept of State
Alex M. Azar II, General Counsel, Department of Health and Human Services
David Dowd, Jr., U.S. District Court Judge, Northern District of Ohio
Sandra Edwards, Department of Commerce, USEAC Director, International Trade Administration
Irma Elder, Federal Reserve Board
Abul Hoda Farouki, President's Advisory Committee on the Arts, The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts
Joseph Ghougassian, Advisor to the Coalition Provisional Authority
June S. Hamra, President's Advisory Committee on the Arts, The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts
Eva Teig Hardy, Southern States Energy Board
Randa Fahmy Hudome, Board Member, U.S. Secretary of State Advisory Board
Mike Korbey, Senior Advisor to the Deputy Commissioner, Social Security Administration
Walid Maalouf, Director of Public Diplomacy, Middle Eastern and Middle East Partnership Initiative, USAID
Naomi Shihab Nye, National Council on the Humanities
Edna L. Saffy, President's Advisory Committee on the Arts, The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts; National Institute for Literacy
George Salem, U.S. Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy
Simon Shaheen, President's Advisory Committee on the Arts, The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts
George Caram Steeh, U.S. District Court Judge, Eastern District of Michigan
E. Najla Tanous, USSBA District Counsel
Jay C. Zainey, U.S. District Court Judge, Eastern District of Louisiana
Dr. Elias Zerhouni, Director, U.S. National Institute of Health

Congressional/Federal Staff

Huma Abedin, Special Assistant, Office of New York Senator Hillary Clinton
Radi Barkett, Special Agent, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce
Jerry Couri, Professional Staff, House Commerce Committee
Jamal El-Hindi, Attorney-Advisor, OFAC, Office of General Counsel, Department of Treasury
Zead Haddad, Senior Policy Advisor, Department of Energy
Sam H. Haidar, Pharmacometrics Scientist, Department of Health & Human Services
Kathryn Hazeem, Chief Counsel, Subcommittee on the Constitution, House Committee on the Judiciary
George Farag, Vice Consul, Department of State
Michele Forzley, Office of International and Refugee Health, Department of Health and Human Services
Malak Jadallah, Office of Ohio Representative Dennis Kucinich
Chris Mansour, Chief of Staff, Representative Dale Kildee
George Nassif, International Affairs Contract Officer, Department of State
Tarik Obeidi, Foreign Programs Officer, Department of State
Dina Habib Powell, Associate Director of Presidential Personnel
Sam Saad III, Special Assistant to the Solicitor, Department of Labor
Lara Shahriyar Alameh, Research Associate, U.S. House International Relations Committee
Kelly Sharbel, Special Assistant Legislative Affairs, Department of Defense
Susan L. Ziadeh, Department of State
Ben Zogby, Foreign Affairs Legislative Assistant, Representative Nick Rahall
Joseph Zogby, Counsel, U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee

Party Leaders and Activists

James J. Zogby, Member, Executive Committee, Democratic National Committee

Alabama

Elected Officials

Alfred Bahakel, Circuit Judge, Jefferson County

Gloria Bahakel, Circuit Judge, Jefferson County

Arkansas

Appointed Officials

Anita Langhover, Justice of the Peace, Carroll County

Party Leaders and Activists

Abe Akel, Boone County Democratic Central Committee

Mary Jane Akel, Secretary/Treasurer of Boone County Democratic Central Committee and Democratic State Executive Committee

Anita Z. Langhover, Secretary, Republican Party of Carroll County; President, Republican Women of Carroll County

California

Elected Officials

Luis Aclé, San Diego School Board

Peter C. Deddah, Superior Court Judge, San Diego

Darrel Issa, U.S. House of Representative (49th District)

James A. Kaddo, Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge

Edward L. Masry, Thousand Oaks City Council

Richard G. Berry, Superior Court Judge, San Diego

Dennis Zein, Los Angeles City Council

Appointed Officials

Albert Dib, President, Los Angeles Relocation Appeals Board

Ross Nammar, San Jacinto City Manager

Simon Naoufal, Rialto Housing Beautification Commissioner

Ghada Saliba-Malouf, Chair, San Francisco Human Rights Commission

Suheil Shatara, Chair, San Francisco Architecture Review Committee of Preservation Advisory Board

Vicky Tamoush, Deputy Labor Commissioner

Ed Tawil, California Democratic Central Committee

Terry A. Thomas, Chula Vista Resource Conservation Commissioner, Chula Vista Board of Ethics

Party Leaders and Activists

Charlie Ara, Los Angeles County Central Committee

Reed Hamzeh, Los Angeles County Democratic Central Committee

David Kawas, San Mateo Central Committee, California Republican Party

Johnny Khamis, Vice President, California Congress of Republicans; President, Republican Arab American Congress

Elias Khawam, California Democratic Central Committee

Joseph E. Louis, Republican State Central Committee

Saed Moujtahed, Delegate, State Republican Party

Rima Nashashibi, Exec Board Member Democratic State Central Committee; Vice Chair, Democratic Party of Orange County

Tareef Nashashibi, Chairman Arab American Council, Republican State Central Committee, Orange County

Salim Qaru, San Mateo Central Committee, California Republican Party; President, San Mateo Republican Arab American Congress

Arkan Somo, Republican State Central Committee

Samira Haddad Tamer, Arab American Republican Caucus

Samuel Wakim, Vice Chair, Cisco County Central Committee, California Republican Party

Colorado

Appointed Officials

Troy A. Eid, Chief Legal Council for Governor's Office

Diedra A. Garcia, State Personnel Board

John Zakhem, Colorado Justice Commission

Party Leaders and Activists

Suzanne Asaff Blankenship, Precinct Committee Chairperson, Jefferson County

Suzanne Asaff Blankenship, Chair, Jefferson County Progressives

Sam H. Zakhem, Republican Nationalities Council and Republican State Executive Committee

John Zakhem, Chairman, State Personnel Board; Executive Committee of Denver County Republicans

Connecticut

Appointed

Thomas J. Saadi, Assistant Attorney General

Elected Officials

Hon. Fred Anthony, Judge of the Probate of Shelton

Emile Buzaid, Jr., Danbury City Council

David J. Cappiello, State Senator (24th District)

Paul Ganim, Judge of the Court of Probate, Bridgeport

William A. Hamzy, State Representative (78th District), Assistant Minority Leader of US House of Representatives, Chair of the Republican Party of Connecticut

Michael Jarjura, Mayor of Waterbury

Selim Noujaim, State Representative (74th District)

Thomas J. Saadi, Councilman (4th Ward) & Legislative Leader, Danbury City Council

Dianne E. Yamin, Judge of the Court of Probate, Danbury

Party Leaders and Activists

Robert J. Yamin, Republican State Central Committee

Jimmetta Samaha, Secretary, Democratic State Central Committee

District of Columbia

Appointed Officials

Claudette Shwiry, D.C. Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Commission

Party Leaders and Activists

Mai Abdul Rahman, Precinct Vice Chair Ward 3 Republican Party

Dino Joseph Drudi, District of Columbia Republican Central Committee

Pamela Howar, Vice Chair, District of Columbia Republican Committee

Jacqueline Rizik, District of Columbia Republican Central Committee

Florida

Elected Officials

Richard D. Eade, Judge, Family Division, 17th Judicial Circuit Court

Peter Haddad, Judge

Tommy Hazouri, Duval County School Board

Nelly N. Khouzam, Judge, 6th Judicial Circuit

George Shahood, Judge

Ginger Soud, Duval County Circuit Court Judge

Appointed Officials

Norman Abraham, Chairman, Jacksonville Recreation Advisory Board

Al Maloof, Vice Chairman, Florida Self-Insurers Guaranty Association; Miami-Dade County Planning Land-Use Board

Sam E. Mousa, Chief Administrative Officer, Office of Jacksonville Mayor

Ron Salem, Florida Board of Pharmacy

Party Leaders and Activists

Edna Louise Saffy, Central Committee of the Duval County Democratic Executive Committee

Ron Salem, Duval County Republican Executive Committee

Helen Zaborniak, Dewar City Democratic Executive Committee

Georgia

Elected Officials

Joan Haddad Saliba, Mayor, Hartwell

Abdul Akbar, Clarkston City Council

Appointed Officials

Hani Q. Khoury, Executive Director, Mayor's Commission for Disability Issues

Party Leaders and Activists

Mary Zumot Abu-Akel, State Delegate, GA Republican Party

Hawaii

Party Leaders and Activists

Saleem Ahmed, Democratic State Party Central Committee Member

Illinois

Elected Officials

Miriam D. Balanoff, Circuit Court Judge

Robert Balanoff, City Court Judge, Cook County

George Caleel, Board of Trustees Oak Brook Village

Emil/Bill D. Haddad, Jr., York Township Committeeman, Dupage County

Ray LaHood, U.S. House of Representatives (18th District)

George P. Shadid, Illinois State Senator, 46th District

James E. Shadid, 10th Circuit Judge, Peoria

William James Haddad, Judge of the Circuit Court, Cook County

Appointed Officials

Widad Al-Bassam, Board Member, Advisory Council, Commission for Human Relations for Arab Affairs, City of Chicago

Clem Balanoff, Cook County Deputy Director – Elections
Samual Betar, III., Circuit Court Judge of Cook County; and Board Member, Arab-American Bar Association
Gabriel F. Fakhouri, Illinois State Senate Advisory Committee
Ray Hanania, Orland Park Civic Center Authority Member
James Maloof, Human Rights Commission of Illinois
Sahar Mawlawi, Director, Commission for Human Relations for Arab Affairs, City of Chicago
Terry Meriden, Governor's Advisory Board on Diabetes
Christine Hanania Panek, Oak Lawn High School Board
Rouhy J. Shalabi, Director of the Human Relations Commission, City of Chicago, Commissioner, Chicago Park District and President of the Arab-American Bar Association of Illinois
Saffiya Shillo, Election Judge, Director of Ethnic Affairs, Office of Lt. Governor
Salameh I. Zanayed, Chicago Mayoral Arab Advisory Council, Human Rights Commission

Party Leaders and Activists

Shibli Sawalha, Committeeman, Will County Republican Party

Political Professionals

Ray Hanania, Bipartisan Political Consultant
Maysoon Deeb, Republican Campaign Consultant

Indiana

Elected Officials

George Azar, City Councilman at Large, Terre Haute
Ray Azar, Vigo County Alcoholic Beverage Commission
Mitch Daniels, Governor
David Sabbagh, Member, Bloomington City Council, 5th District
Larry Cary Sakel, Demotte Traffic Court Judge

Appointed Officials

Frank E. Shahadey, Vigo County Sergeant
Danny Tanoos, Superintendent of Schools, Vigo County School Corporation

Party Leaders and Activists

Michael T. Ellis, Secretary of Vigo Democratic Party

Iowa

Elected Officials

Albert Habhab, Senior Judge, Iowa Court of Appeals
Riad G. Mahayni, Ames City Council

Party Leaders and Activists

Linda Nassif, Member, Republican Central Committee County Advisory Board
Jordan Trcka, Chair, Affirmative Action Committee, Democratic Party of Linn County and 2nd Congressional District

Kentucky

Elected Officials

Dennis George, Lebanon City Council
Douglas George, Lebanon Circuit Court Judge, 11th district
Sheila Isaac, Circuit Judge, Fayette County

Teresa Ann Isaac, Mayor of Lexington

Louisiana

Elected Officials

Bobby Abrusley, Mayor, Oakdale

Charles Boustany, Lafayette City Coroner

Charles Boustany, Jr., U.S. Representative, (7th District)

Richard Ieyoub, Attorney General

Appointed Officials

Richard Haik, Chief Judge, U.S. District Court, Western District of Louisiana

Constance Koury, Louisiana Economic Development Corp.

Jay C. Zainey, Judge, U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Louisiana

Maine

Elected Officials

John Elias Baldacci, Governor

Maryland

Appointed Officials

Laila K. Atallah, Assistant Attorney General & Principal Counsel to the Maryland Department of Business and Economic Development

Randa Fahmy Hudome, Chairperson, Maryland Commission for Women

Massachusetts

Elected Officials

Stephen Abraham, Register of the Probate, Worcester County Probate

Steven Baddour, State Senator (3rd District)

Steven P. Kfoury, Ward Chairman, Lawrence Democratic Committee

James J. Massery, City Councillor at Large, Pittsfield

Mary S. McElroy, Co-Chair, Weymouth Master Plan Steering Committee

James G. Peters, Chairman of American Arab Veterans

Kathleen Corey Rahme, Methuen City Council

Richard S. Thomas, Chairman, Hampden County Commission

Appointed Officials

Charles A. Abdella, First Justice, East Brookfield District Court

Edward G. Daher, Chief Justice, Housing Court Department

AbdulKader C. Hamadeh, Design Review Committee, Town of Duxbury

Steven P. Kfoury, Executive Director, Office of Secretary of State

Joseph Lian, Jr., First Justice, Worcester Probate and Family Court

Mary S. McElroy, Zoning Board of Appeal

Jan Lewis Najemy, Associate Justice, Worcester Juvenile Court

Kenneth P. Nasif, Justice, Juvenile Court

James G. Peters, Justice of the Peace; Notary Public; Commissioner, Brookline Commission of Disabled Persons

Susan Saliba, International Trade Specialist for the Middle East, Governor's Office

Party Leaders and Activists

Helen Abdallah Donohue, Norwood Democratic Town Committee
Paul Michael Kalill, Chariman, Springfield Democratic Committee
Jamie Ann Sabino, Cambridge Ward Four Democratic Committee
Robert P. Zahka, Chairman, Dedham Republican Town Committee

Michigan**Elected Officials**

Abdalla Raphael Awad, 3rd District Precinct Delegate
Robert A. Abraham, Dearborn City Council
David Allen, Judge, 3rd Circuit Court
John Akouri, City Councilman, Farmington Hills
Tarek M. Baydoun, 26th Precinct Delegate
Annette Berry, Circuit Court Judge, Wayne County term expires 2006
Michael J. Bouchard, Sheriff, Oakland County
Nancy Cassis, State Senate (15th district)
Dianne Dickow D'Agostini, Oakland County District Judge (48th District)
Joseph J. Farah, Circuit Judge, Genesee County
David Farhat, State Representative (91st District)
Barbara A. Farrah, State Representative (13th District)
Al Haidous, Mayor of Wayne
Linda Saoud Hallmark, Probate Judge, Oakland County
Karen Khalil, Judge, 17th District Court
Marianne Yared McGuire, Member, Michigan State Board of Education
John D. Nickola, Genesee County Commissioner, 9th District; Chairman Genesee County Democratic Party
James J. Rashid, Wayne County Circuit Court Judge
Henry William Saad, Judge, Michigan Court of Appeals
Nida'e Samona, Southfield City Council
Suzanne Sareini, Dearborn City Council
Alex Shami, Vice President, School Board for Dearborn Public Schools
Richard Paul Sulaka, Warren City Clerk
Ted B. Wahby, Treasurer, Macomb County
Kirk Yousif, City Council, Oak Park
Tracy A. Yokich, Circuit Court Judge, Macomb County

Appointed Officials

Mohammed Abdrabboh, Civil Rights Commission, Office of Governor
Riad Ahmad, Investigator, Special Operations, Civil Process Unit, Sheriff's Executive Administrative Offices, Wayne Co.
Alan Amen, Director, Community Development and Outreach Division, Wayne County
Ronald Amen, Executive Assistant, Wayne County Executive Robert Fianco, Secretary for Human Relations Commission
Abdalla Raphael Awwad, 3rd District Precinct Delegate
Dr. Yahya Basha, Commissioner, Michigan Department of Civil Rights
George Darany, Board of Commissioners
Dennis Denno, Chief of Staff, State Senator Buzz Thomas
Joseph M. Eadeh, Westland City Council
Azzam Elder, Wayne County Cooperate Council
Linda Saoud Hallmark, Governor's Task Force on Children's Justice
Abed Hammoud, Wayne County Assistant Prosecutor
Abdul M. Mackie, Michigan Board of Counseling
Samir Mashni, Wayne County Mental Health Board
Mohamed Oakdie, Wayne County Mental Health Board
Claude Richards, Commission for the Blind
Hassan Saab, Director of Engineering, Wayne County

Sam Salamey, Magistrate Judge, Dearborn District Court
Noel Saleh, Michigan Advisory Committee to U.S. Civil Rights Commission
Suzanne Sareini, Commission on Women, Dearborn City Council
Sally Shaheen, Michigan Women's Commission, Office of Governor
Alex Shami, Trustee, Henry Ford Board of Education; Secretary, Dearborn's Library Board of Commissioners

Party Leaders and Activists

Ismael Ahmed, Democratic State Central Committee
Ahmad Chebbani, Executive Board 13 Congressional District Democratic Party, Member, State Democratic Party
Ramzi Dallo, Recording Secretary for Oakland County Democratic Party
Abed Hammoud, Treasurer, Dearborn Democratic Club
Mark Hanna, Chair, Oakland County Democratic Party
Nicola Hawatmeh, Youth Chairman, Macomb County Republican Party
Alex Isaac, Member, Genesee County Democratic Party
Jumana Judeh, Democratic State Executive Committee
Bill Khoury, Member, Genesee County Democratic Party
Abdul M. Mackie, Chairman, Dearborn Republican Club
Florence Nasser, Member, Genesee County Democratic Party
John D. Nickola, President, Genesee County Democratic Executive Committee
Mohamed Okdie, Vice Chair, 13th Congressional District Democratic Party
Claude Richards, Vice-President, Grosse Pointe Democratic Club
Sally Shaheen Joseph, Member, Genesee County Democratic Party
Wafa A. Sayed, Community Organizer, Michigan Democratic Caucus and Michigan State House of Representatives

Minnesota

Appointed Officials

Ismail A. Ismail, Hennepin County Capital Budgeting Task Force; Eden Prairie, Board of Adjustments and Appeals

Party Leaders and Activists

Herb Mocol, Democratic State Central Committee; Chair, Blue Earth Democratic Party

Missouri

Elected

Francis Slay, Mayor, City of St. Louis

Party Leaders and Activists

Brian Wahby, Democratic Committeeman 7th Ward

Nebraska

New Hampshire

Elected Officials

Benjamin C. Baroody, State Representative (54th District), Assistant Democratic Leader, State House of Representatives
John E. Sununu, U.S. Senator

Appointed Officials

William Shaheen, Judge, Durham District Court

New Jersey

Elected Officials

Joseph Atallo, Paterson Board of Education
Hassan Cona, Haledon City Council
Hassan Fahmy, Councilman, Borough of Prospect Park Council
Randy George, Mayor of North Haledon
Khalil Kasht, Prospect Park City Council
Mohamed Khairalah, Prospect Park City Council
Fehmi Khayrullah, Board of Education for Prospect Park
Joseph Kyrillos, State Senator (13th District)
Hesham Mahmoud, County Committee, Bergen County
Sam Merhi, Democratic County Committee
Harold Nafash, Bergenfield City Council
Joseph Palaia, State Senator (11th District)
William M. Saydah, River Vale City Council
Andre Sayegh, Commissioner, Board of Education for Paterson County
George Shalhoub, President, Borough Council
Ahmed Shedeed, Deputy Mayor, Jersey City

Appointed Officials

Awni Abuhadba, Deputy Mayor, Paterson, NJ
Dr. Mahmoud Aqeal, Member of the Board of Managers of Preakness Hospital
Tawfiq Barqawi, Member of the Attorney General's Arab and Muslim Advisory Committee, Gloucester County Human Relations Commission
Yosry H. Bekhiet, International Account Executive, New Jersey Commerce & Economic Growth Commission
Jo Ann Hajjar Byrnes, Board of the Graystone Park State Psychiatric Hospital, Morris County Democratic Party Committeewoman
Sherine El-Abd, Commissioner, NJ Civil Rights Commission; Council on Local Mandates; State of NJ Division on Women
Nancy Shehata Fitterer, Policy Advisor, NJ General Assembly Republican Office
A. Nizar Kahf, Commissioner, State Division on Civil Rights
Samir Khalaf, Member of the Attorney General's Arab and Muslim Advisory Committee
Maher Khalil, Confidential Aide to the Mayor of Jersey City
Hani Khoury, Member of the Attorney General's Arab and Muslim Advisory Committee
Bassima Mustafa, Member of the Attorney General's Arab and Muslim Advisory Committee
Cesar Nakhleh, West Paterson Board of Adjustment
Hani Mawla, Member of the Attorney General's Arab and Muslim Advisory Committee
Sami Merhi, Commissioner, President, and Board of Managers, Preakness Hospital, Passaic County
Maha Munayyer, Member of the Attorney General's Arab and Muslim Advisory Committee
Bassima Mustafa, Member of the Attorney General's Arab and Muslim Advisory Committee
Dr. Yousef Zibdie, West Paterson Board of Health

Party Leaders and Activists

Sherine El-Abd, State Republican Arab American Advisory Council; president, Women's Republican Club of Middlesex County; State Board of Governors, State Federation of Republican Women
Samer Khalaf, Northern New Jersey Chair, Democrats 2000
Joseph Kyrillos, Chairman, New Jersey State Republican Committee
Sami Merhi, Passaic County Democratic Committee and member of the Finance Committee of the Passaic County Democratic Committee
Bassima Mustafa, Executive Board Member, New Jersey Democratic Future
Souzan Soliman, Treasurer, Women's Republican Club of Middlesex County.

New York

Elected Officials

Sandy Annabi, Minority Leader, Yonkers City Council
Kevin M. Dowd, Judge, Chenango County
Zehy Jereis, Chairman, Yonkers Republican Party and NY State Committee
Thomas Libous, State Senator, 52nd District
Jeanine Ferris Pirro, Westchester County District Attorney
Anthony F. Shaheen, Justice, New York State Supreme Court, Oneida County

Appointed Officials

John Abi-Habib, Committee Chair, Community Board 10
Joseph G. Owen, Supreme Court Justice, 9th Judicial Circuit
Nader Sayegh, Board Chairman, Yonkers Parking Authority
Didi M. Skaff, Administrative Law Judge, Dept. of Transportation

Party Leaders and Activists

Sandy Annabi, Ward Leader, Yonkers City Democratic Party
John Abi-Habib, Vice Chair, Republican Party Kings County, Brooklyn Republican Party
Joan Dacken, Edmund Seergy Republican Club of Brooklyn
Joseph Elhilow, Brooklyn-Verrazano Republican Club
Jennifer Faucher, New York State Public Employees Federation AFL-CIO, Region 10 PAC Chair
Jerry Kassar, Chair Brooklyn Conservative Party
Maurice Salem, Chairman of East Fishkill New York Democratic Party
Majed Samarneh, Yonkers Democratic Party Precinct Chair
Nader Sayegh, Chair of the Independent Party

Political Professionals

John J. Zogby, Pollster, Zogby International

North Carolina**Party Leaders and Activists**

George Maron El-Khouri, State Democratic Party Executive Committee

Ohio**Elected Officials**

Ruth Abboud, Member, Highland School Board
Tim Ali, City Council, Middleburg Heights
William J. Bishilany, City Council, Seven Hills
Timothy Bryan, Massillon City Council
Edward J. Elum, Judge, Massillon Municipal Court
Kristine George, Fairview Park City Council
Cherrefe A. Kadri, Acting Judge, Ohio Supreme Court
Joseph Nahra, Eighth Appellate District Court of Appeals
Jim Telb, Sheriff, Lucas County

Appointed Officials

Slayman N. Bedra, Ohio Parole Board Member
Bruce Coury, Assistant Law Director, City of Parusa
John S. Coury, Assistant Canton City Law Director, Chief Civil Division
Nadeem Salem, Board of Directors, Toledo Lucas County Post Authority
Joseph T. Sadie, Commander, Cleveland Police Department
Edmond Sargas, Federal District Court Judge, Southern District of Ohio

Mitchell Shaker, Judge, Trumbull County
Samuel J. Sliman, Director, Canton Civil Service Commission
Jack Zouhairy, Common Pleas Judge, Lucas County

Party Leaders and Activists

Peter Sadie, Precinct Committeeman, Ward 4 Democratic Committee

Political Professionals

Ruth Abboud, Legislative Representative, Ohio State School Board
Jeffrey Kassouf, Media Consultant, Take 1 Studios

Oklahoma

Appointed Officials

Hassen A. Cara, Chamber of Commerce International Committee

Oregon

Elected Officials

Philip T. Abraham, Senior Circuit Judge

Appointed Officials

Richard L. Unis, Special Master Louisiana-Pacific Inner-Seal National Class Action (Federal Court)

Party Leaders and Activists

Nadia Sindi, Member, Lane County Democratic Committee

Pennsylvania

Elected Officials

Robert M. Aber, Member, Board of Directors, Steel Valley School District
James Albert, District Judge, Westmoreland County
Camille "Bud" George, State Representative (74th district)
Rose Hykel, Tax Collector, Upper Merion Township
Michael J. Koury Jr., District Judge, Northampton County
Joseph M. James, Judge, Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas
Tom Makowski, Luzerne County Commissioner
Issam T. Masri, Mayoral Ambassador
Gerald Solomon, Judge, Allegheny County
Jeffrey W. Thomas, City Council, New Kensington
Thomas Yezbak, Judge, Uniontown
Joanne Zogby, Councilwoman, Ringtown Borough

Appointed Officials

Joe Elias, Member, Pennsylvania Ethnic Heritage Commission
Mahmoud K. Kobeissi, Human Relations Commissioner, Pottstown
Marwan Kreidie, Chairman, Philadelphia Civil Service Commission

Rhode Island

Elected Officials

Scott D. Barr, Member, Lincoln School Committee

Hanna Gallo, State Senator (27-Cth District)
Daniel J. Issa, State Senator (16-Dth district)
Joseph Solomon, Warwick City Council

Appointed Officials

James N. Allam, Chairman, Board of Canvassers and Elections, Woonsocket
Milan T. Azar, Legal Counsel, State House Labor Committee
Christine Jabour, Assistant Attorney General
George Lazieh, Special Assistant Attorney General
Thomas Lazieh, Rhode Island Underground Storage Tank Financial Responsibility Fund Review Board
James L. Salome, Executive Director, Rhode Island Health and Education Building Authority, Providence
George Zainyeh, Office of Congressman Patrick Kennedy

Party Leaders and Activists

Thomas Lazieh, Central Falls Democratic Committee

South Carolina

Elected Officials

Edward Saleeby, Sr., State Senator, 29th District
Vincent Sheheen, State Senator, 27th District

South Dakota

Elected Officials

Gene Adballah, State Senate (10th District)

Party Leaders and Activists

Samir Abu-Ghazaleh, Precinct Officer, Democratic Party
Qusi Al-Haj, Chairman, Pennington County Republican Party

Tennessee

Elected Officials

James Naifeh, Speaker, State House of Representatives, State Representative (81st District)

Appointed Officials

Janice M. Holder, State Supreme Court Justice

Party Leaders and Activists

Juliette Harb Howell, Treasurer, Davidson County Republican Club

Texas

Elected Officials

Jack Abercia, Constable, Harris County, Precinct 1
Philip A. Kazen, Jr., Judge, 227th District Court, Bexar County
Alvin G. Khoury, Judge, 124th District Court
Mark Strama, State Representative (50th District)

Appointed Officials

Saba Abashawl, Senior Executive, International Economic Development, City of Houston
George P. Kazen, Chief Judge, Federal District/Southern District
Naomi Shihab Nye, National Council, National Endowment for the Humanities

Party Leaders and Activists**Kamal Ahmad**, Democratic precinct chair**Katie Bayoud**, Democratic precinct chair**Vermont****Elected Officials****William N. Aswad**, State Representative, Chittenden 7-6 District**Virginia****Elected Officials****Yusif Farsakh**, Precinct Captain, Arlington County Democratic Committee**Randa Kayyali**, Commissioner, Fairfax County History Commission**Appointed Officials****Sam Abed**, Governor's Commission on Community and National Service**Hanif Akhtar**, Small Business Advisory Board**Azizah Y. al-Hibri**, Virginia Advisory Member to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights**Sharifa Al Khateeb**, Fairfax County School Board Curriculum Advisory Committee**Hady Amr**, Board of Commissioners, Virginia Public Schools Authority, Advisory Board of Task Force on Business Development with Near East**Marwan Burgan**, Office of Supervisor Penny Gross**Samer W. Burgan**, Baily's Crossroads Revitalization Corporation Board**Peter G. Decker, Jr.**, Virginia State Criminal Sentencing Commission**Richard H. Decker**, State Emergency Medical Services Advisory Board**Robert G. Doumar**, Senior U.S. District Judge, Eastern District of Virginia**Katrina Eid**, Board of Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology**Frederick T. Hadeed**, State Equal Employment Opportunity Commission**Alam E. Hammad**, Military Aides-de-Camp**Ahmed H. Hassan**, Construction Management Review Board**Rich Joseph**, Fairfax County Civil Service Commission**King Salim Khalfani**, Indigent Defense Commission**Malea Kiblan**, Small Business Advisory Commission**Rafat Mahmood**, Virginia Asian Advisory Committee**Asaad Masri**, Medical Foundation, University of Virginia**Mark R. Merhige**, Virginia Scenic Rivers Advisory Committee**Farzanah Milani**, Council on The Status of Women**Helen Hatab Samhan**, Fairfax County Human Rights Commission**George Selim**, Arlington County Human Rights Commission**Saba Shami**, Director -Virginia Taskforce for Business Development with the Near East, Office of the Secretary of Commerce and Trade, Fairfax Democratic Committee**Eva Teig Hardy**, Virginia Commonwealth University Board of Visitors**Ronald Tweel**, Substitute Judge**Khizar Wasti**, Virginia Emergency Response Council**Party Leaders and Activists****Maram Abdelhamid**, Democratic Precinct Captain, Arlington County, Wilson Precinct 10.**Samer Alhashimi**, Northern Virginia Business Republican Forum**Hady Amr**, Arlington County Democratic Committee**Radi Barkett**, Prince William County Republican Party**Marwan Burgan**, Fairfax County Democratic Committee**Samer Burgan**, Mason District Democratic Committee

George Doumar, Treasurer, Fairfax County Republican Committee
Nancy Kader, Fairfax County Democratic Committee
Omar Kader, Fairfax County Democratic Committee
Terry Abdo King, Arlington Civic Association Delegate
Nidal Mahayni, Virginia State Democratic Delegate Selection Committee
Mary Sahouri, President, Great Falls Republican Women's Club
George Selim, Arlington County Republican Committee

West Virginia

Elected Officials

Nick J. Rahall II, U.S. Representative (3rd District)
Mark A. Sadd, Charleston City Council
Michael Kawash, Chair Republican Executive Committee, Kanawha County
Paul Zakaib, Jr., Circuit Court Judge, 13th Judicial Circuit

Party Leaders and Activists

John N. Ellem, House of Delegates (10th District)
Chris Wakim, House of Delegates (30th District)

Wisconsin

Elected Officials

Robert Ashmore, Alderman, Mequon

Wyoming

Elected Officials

Jim Darwiche, Teton County Commissioner

Former Government Officials

The following Arab Americans are among those who have held elected or appointed office in selected categories:

U.S. Congress

James Abdnor, U.S. Senator, South Dakota (1981-1986) (deceased)
James G. Abourezk, U.S. Senator, South Dakota (1971-1979)
E. Spencer Abraham, U.S. Senator, Michigan (1994-2000)
John Baldacci, U.S. House of Representatives
Pat Danner, U.S. Representative, Missouri (1984-2000)
Christopher C. John, U.S. Representative, Louisiana (1996-2004)
David Karem, State Senator (31st)
George A. Kasem, U.S. Representative, California (1959-1961)
Abraham Kazen, U.S. Representative, Texas (1967-1985)
George Mitchell, U.S. Senate Majority Leader (1980-1995)
Toby Moffett, U.S. Representative, Connecticut (1975-1982)
Mary Rose Oakar, U.S. Representative, Ohio (1977-1993)
John E. Sununu, U.S. Representative, New Hampshire (1996-2002)

U.S. Administration

E. Spencer Abraham, Secretary of Energy (2000-2004)
Luis Acle, White House Office of Public Liaison (1985-1986)
Judith Rainey Barody, Director of Strategic Planning and External Affairs, Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor,

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William J. Baroody, Jr., Asst. to the President, Office of Public Liaison (1973-1977)

Mitchell E. Daniels, Director, Office of Management and Budget (2001-2004); Jr. Asst. to the President, Political and Intergovernmental Affairs (1985-1987)

Lori Sharpe Day, Director & Advisor to the Attorney General, Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, Department of Justice

George Doumani, Director of Technology Policy, Department of Energy, George Bush Administration

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Edward Gabriel, U.S. Ambassador to Morocco

George Ghougassian, U.S. Ambassador

Edmond Haddad, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Public Diplomacy (1987-1988)

Najeeb Halaby, Federal Aviation Administration (1961-1965)

Sam LaHood, Special Assistant, Office of International Affairs, Department of Energy

Theodore Kattouf, U.S. Ambassador

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Thomas Nassif, U.S. Ambassador (1985-1988)

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George R. Salem, U.S. Solicitor of Labor (1985-1989)

Daniel S. Seikaly, Associate Deputy Attorney General, Department of Justice

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Marcelle Wahba, U.S. Ambassador to UAE

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State Office

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Judges

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