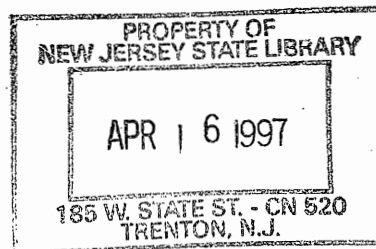




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AFRICAN-AMERICAN MEMBERS OF THE NEW JERSEY LEGISLATURE

NAME	HOUSE	YEARS	COUNTY	OCCUPATION	PARTY
Walter Gilbert Alexander	Assembly	1921-22	Essex	Physician	Republican
Oliver Randolph	Assembly	1923	Essex	Lawyer	Republican
James Leroy Baxter	Assembly	1927-29	Essex	Dentist	Republican
Frank S. Hargrave	Assembly	1930-31, 34, 36, 38-42	Essex	Physician	Republican
J. Mercer Burrell	Assembly	1933, 1935	Essex	Lawyer	Republican
Guy Rogers Moorehead	Assembly	1937	Essex	Lawyer	Democrat
James O. Hill	Assembly	1943-47	Essex	Physician	Republican
James A. Curtis	Assembly	1948-52	Essex	Lawyer	Republican
Edward T. Bowser, Sr.	Assembly	1952-56	Essex	Architect	Republican
Rev. James Vance McIver	Assembly	1956-58	Essex	Minister	Republican
Madeline A. Williams	Assembly	1958-62	Essex	Teacher	Democrat
Herbert H. Tate	Assembly	1960-62	Essex	Lawyer	Republican
George C. Richardson	Assembly	1962-64, 68-74	Essex	Civil Rights Leader	Democrat
Rev. S. Howard Woodson Jr.	Assembly	1964-76	Mercer	Minister	Democrat
Arnold E. Brown	Assembly	1966-68	Bergen	Lawyer	Democrat
Hutchins F. Inge	Senate	1966-68	Essex	Physician	Democrat
Ronald Owens	Assembly	1966-78	Essex	Lawyer	Democrat
Addison M. McLeon	Assembly	1966-70	Hudson	Realtor	Democrat
Dr. Augustus T. Capers	Assembly	1968-70	Passaic	Dentist	Democrat
Dr. William G. Wilkerson	Assembly	1972-74	Hudson	Physician	Democrat

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William H. Hicks	Assembly	1972-76	Passaic	Automobile Salesman	Democrat
Eldridge Hawkins	Assembly	1972-78	Essex	Lawyer	Democrat
Wynona M. Lipman	Senate	1972-present	Essex	Professor	Democrat
William O. Perkins, Jr.	Assembly	1974-78	Hudson	Lawyer	Democrat
Willie B. Brown	Assembly	1974-present	Essex	Chief of Staff, Essex County Executive	Democrat
Charles Mays, Sr.	Assembly	1978-82	Hudson	Athlete	Democrat
Mildred Barry Garvin	Assembly	1978-88	Essex	Professor	Democrat
Eugene H. Thompson	Assembly	1978-88	Essex	Lawyer	Democrat
Remay Pearce	Assembly	Nov. 1979-Jan. 1980	Essex	Health Inspector, Newark	Democrat
Wayne R. Bryant	Assembly Senate	1982-February 1995 1995-present	Camden	Lawyer	Democrat
Joseph Charles, Jr.	Assembly	1982-present	Hudson	Lawyer	Democrat
John Watson	Assembly	1982-1994	Mercer	Insurance Consultant	Democrat
Ronald L. Rice	Senate	1986-present	Essex	Full Time Legislator	Democrat
Stephanie R. Bush	Assembly	1988-Sept. 1992	Essex	Lawyer	Democrat
Jackie R. Mattison	Assembly	1988-present	Essex	Chief of Staff, Newark	Democrat
Priscilla B. Anderson	Assembly	1992-1994	Burlington	Guidance Counselor	Republican
Robert L. Brown	Assembly	1992-1994	Essex	Attorney; Mayor, Orange	Democrat
Gerald B. Green	Assembly	1992-present	Union	Businessman (Real Estate)	Democrat
Thomas S. Smith	Assembly	1992-present	Monmouth	Full Time Legislator	Republican

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Quilla Talmadge	Assembly	Oct. 1992-1994	Essex	Councilwoman, East Orange	Democrat
Nia Gill	Assembly	1994-present	Essex	Lawyer	Democrat
LeRoy J. Jones, Jr.	Assembly	1994-present	Essex	City Administrator	Democrat
Shirley Turner	Assembly	1994-present	Mercer	College Administrator	Democrat
Craig Stanley	Assembly	1996-present	Essex	Dir. of Corp. Programs, YMCA of Newark	Democrat
Rev. Alfred E. Steele	Assembly	1996-present	Passaic	Pastor	Democrat

Walter G. Alexander

Essex County, Walter G. Alexander, Republican, Orange; born December 3, 1880, Lynchburg, Va. Physician, Orange. First term.



N.J. Legislative Index 1921

WALTER GILBERT ALEXANDER.

(Rep., Orange.)

Walter Gilbert Alexander was born December 1st, 1880, at Lynchburg, Va. His parents were Royal Alexander and Amelia Terry. At the age of eight he began work as messenger in a jewelry store, working after school hours. In this way he earned enough to be entirely self-supporting. At fourteen, after having finished one and a half years in the Lynchburg High School, he entered Lincoln University, being the youngest student in his class and the youngest one that had ever matriculated at this institution. Throughout the entire four years he was first honor man, winning the Bradley Medal in Science and delivering the Latin salutatory on Commencement day.

In September, 1899, Mr. Alexander entered Best College of Physicians and Surgeons and was graduated from this institution in June, 1903, winning first prizes for the best theses on "Tuberculosis" and "Cerebral Localization." He practiced for more than a year in Kimball, W. Va., and then moved to Orange, N. J., where he has built up a very large practice. Has been actively interested in all movements and enterprises for the welfare and progress of his race. Has been identified with all civic movements in the Oranges. Is connected with a large number of fraternal and business organizations.

For nine years Dr. Alexander has been General Secretary of the National Medical Association, and is a member of several other medical societies. Was a candidate for the Assembly on the Progressive ticket in 1912 and was candidate for Orange City Commissioner in 1914, and for the Assembly on the Republican ticket in 1919. Dr. Alexander is the first colored man elected to a State office in New Jersey.

N.J. Legislative Manual
1922 pp. 319-320

Oliver Randolph, civil rights leader.

... Oliver Randolph ... in 1914 became the first black admitted to the Bar. He served as a State Assemblyman in 1922 and 1923 and his distinguished career was capped in 1947 by a tenacious fight to give New Jersey a strong civil rights law.

Randolph, son of a Virginia slave who had bought his freedom shortly before the Civil War, was the only black delegate at the Constitutional Convention, called in 1947 to revise the archaic State Constitution. He demanded, and won, a strong anti-discrimination section. It was supported by voters who approved the Constitution in the fall of 1947. That anti-discrimination clause, among other things, ended segregation in state military units—and led directly to the end of discrimination in the national armed forces.



Newark, John T. Cunningham,
(Newark, N.J. : New Jersey Historical Society, 1988)

OLIVER RANDOLPH.

(Rep., Newark.)

Oliver Randolph, of Newark, who is a lawyer by profession, was born at Shell Mound, Mississippi, October 31st, 1882, and is the younger of two children born to John W. and Mary E. J. Randolph. The father and mother of Mr. Randolph still live in Mississippi, where the father, also a lawyer, practices his profession. Mr. Randolph's father served several terms as a member of the Mississippi Legislature and has held important State and Federal positions.

Mr. Randolph's brother, Joseph B. Randolph, is a well known educator, being now the president of Clavin University, Orangeburg, South Carolina.

Mr. Randolph was graduated as a Bachelor of Arts from Wiley University, Marshall, Texas, his brother, the above named Joseph B. Randolph, being dean of the college department of that school at that time. Afterwards, Mr. Randolph was graduated from Howard University Law School, Washington, D. C. Mr. Randolph lived in Washington for more than ten years, during part of which time he was in school and afterwards a clerk in the office of Postmaster-General Hitchcock.

Mr. Randolph was admitted to the bar of New Jersey in 1914 and has practiced his profession ever since his admission to the bar, having offices in the Lawyers Building, Newark.

Mr. Randolph is a member of many civic, fraternal, social and political organizations, and is a member and trustee of St. John's Methodist Episcopal Church. He is counsel for the first and only building and loan association organized and run by colored men in Newark.

Mr. Randolph is the second colored man to be elected an Assemblyman in the history of this State.

J. Leroy Baxter

Essex County, Republican,
Newark. Born June 13, 1881,
Newark.

Dentist and Oral Surgeon,
Orange. In 1928 Chairman of
Committee on Public Health.
Third Term.



N.J. Legislative Index 1929

JAMES LEROY BAXTER.

(Rep., Newark.)

Mr. Baxter was born in Newark, June 13th, 1881, and is an oral surgeon and dentist by profession. Dr. Baxter, whose father, James M. Baxter, was for forty-five years a school principal in the city of Newark, is himself a graduate of the Barringer High School of that city. He is also a member of the alumni Newark Technical School and of the alumni of the University of Pennsylvania.

Dr. Baxter is former grand president of Chi Delta Mu fraternity, is a member and ex-president of the North Jersey Medical Society besides being connected with a number of fraternities and lodges. He is also a member of the Sigma Pi Phi Fraternity.

While active in politics since the Roosevelt days, Dr. Baxter has never held a political office until elected to the Assembly at the November, 1926, election and was re-elected in 1927 and 1928.

N.J. Legislative Manual
1929 pp. 347-348

Dr. Frank S. Hargrave

Essex County, Republican.
Orange. Born in Lexington,
North Carolina.

Physician and Surgeon.
Orange.

In 1941, Chairman, Public
Health Com.; member,
Claims and Pensions, Com-
merce and Navigation, and
Sinking Fund Coms.
Ninth Term.



N.J. Legislative Index 1942

FRANK S. HARGRAVE, M.D.

(Rep., Orange)

Dr. Hargrave, who is a physician and surgeon, was born in North Carolina. He was educated in the public schools of that State and is also a graduate of Shaw University and Leonard School of Medicine.

Dr. Hargrave is ex-president of the National Medical Association and chairman of the Committee on Medical Education and Hospitals. He is a member of the Tuberculosis League of New Jersey, the Medical Society of New Jersey, the Essex County Medical Society, the North Jersey Medical Society, and National Medical Association; member of Y. M. C. A. and officer of Union Baptist Church, Orange. He was Chairman Committee on Public Health for four terms, 1936-1933-1939-1940.

He was elected to the Assembly for the first time at the 1929 election, re-elected in 1930, 1933, 1935, 1937, 1938, 1939 and 1940.

N.J. Legislative Manual
1941 p. 242

J. Mercer Burrell

Essex County, Republican.
Newark. Born in Richmond,
Virginia.

Lawyer, Newark. Member,
National Republican Speakers'
Bureau since 1920. World War
veteran. Member of the Assem-
bly in 1933.

Second Term.



N.J. Legislative Index 1935

J. MERCER BURRELL

(Rep., Newark)

Mr. Burrell moved to New Jersey from New York twenty-two years ago. He has lived since in East Orange and Newark. He attended public schools in Washington, D. C., Richmond, Va., and New York City. He is a graduate of Wayland Academy, Union University and New Jersey Law School. He was admitted to the New Jersey bar in November, 1922.

He served as a lieutenant in the Army during the World War and since his honorable discharge has been active in veteran organizations. He is Judge Advocate of the Emmitt Guyton Post No. 152, American Legion; Past Senior Vice-Commander, Melvin Spitz Chapter No. 3, Disabled American Veterans of the World War; Vice-Commander Veterans Alliance of Essex County; Chairman of Veterans Civil Service Committee; an official of the N. J. State Department of the American Legion, and for several years served on the Veterans' State Legislative Committee.

Mr. Burrell is also an officer of the Republican Veterans' Association of New Jersey; Harold G. Hoffman Veterans' Association; Colored Republican Veterans of Essex county; Seventh Ward Republican Association of Newark; J. Mercer Burrell Republican Association; Eastern Conference of Colored Republicans; New Jersey Conference of Colored Republicans; New Jersey Tennis Association; American Tennis Association; Federation of Colored Organizations of New Jersey; National Negro Business League; National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; Reserve Association of First Separate Battalion, New Jersey State Militia; National Bar Association; New Jersey Colored Bar Association; Improved Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the World, Free and Accepted Masons; Negro Health Committee of Newark; Court Street Branch, Y. M. C. A.; Civil Welfare League; Advisory Council of Prince-Charlton Community Center; Interracial Committee, Hope-well Baptist Church, and numerous other political, social, religious and fraternal organizations.

Mr. Burrell was elected to the Assembly for the first time in the November, 1932, election, and was re-elected at the November, 1934, election.

N.J. Legislative Manual
1935 pp. 279-280

Dr. James O. Hill

Essex County, Republican,
Newark. Born October 2, 1894,
Anderson, South Carolina.
Public Schools, Seneca, South
Carolina; Benedict College, Co-
lumbia, South Carolina; Bos-
ton University; Meharry Med-
ical College, Nashville, Tenn.
Physician—Surgeon.
House of Assembly 1943, 4,
5, 6, 7.



N.J. Legislative Index 1947

JAMES O. HILL

(Rep., Newark)

Mr. Hill was born October 2, 1894, in Anderson, South Carolina.

A physician and surgeon, he attended Seneca High School, Seneca, S. C.; Benedict College, Columbia, S. C.; Pre-Medical Course, Boston University, Boston, Mass., and McHarry Medical College, Nashville, Tenn., class of 1925. He practices and resides at 84 Barclay Street, Newark, N. J.

He is a member of the Medical Society of New Jersey, National Medical Association, Essex County Medical Association, Newark Physician Association, former member of Newark Y. M. C. A. Board of Directors, Court Street Branch of Management, President of Bethany Baptist Church Men's "400" Club, Omega Si Phi Fraternity, Staff of Community Hospital, and is active in philanthropic, civic and welfare work. He is a member of the Essex County Republican Committee.

In 1944 elected President of the Essex County Colored Republican Council.

Mr. Hill was married October 2, 1929, to the former Miss Bertha R. Hartgrove of Harper's Ferry, West Virginia.

He was elected to the Assembly for the first time at the November, 1942, election, and re-elected in 1943, 1944, 1945 and 1946.

N.J. Legislative Manual
1947 p. 290

James A. Curtis

Essex County, Republican,
Newark. Born December 2,
1909, South Boston, Virginia.

Public Schools, East Orange
and Newark; Amherst College
A.B., 1933; University of New-
ark LL.B.

Counsellor.

House of Assembly 1948, 9,
1950, 1.



N.J. Legislative Index 1951

JAMES A. CURTIS

(Rep., Newark)

Mr. Curtis was born in South Boston, Virginia, December 2, 1909. He received his education in the public schools of East Orange, Barringer High School, Newark, Amherst College, with degree of A.B., in 1933 and the Newark Law

School, LL.B., in 1940. He was admitted as an attorney in New Jersey in 1942 and as a counsellor in 1946; admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of the United States in November, 1950. He is engaged in the practice of his profession with offices at 657 High Street, Newark. He resides at 325 North Eleventh Street, Newark. Telephone, Humboldt 2-8278.

Mr. Curtis is a former president of the Newark Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, a member of the Executive Committee of the New Jersey Urban League. He is a member of the New Jersey Bar Association and of the Essex County Bar Association and served as an extension worker for the New Jersey Manual Training School at Bordentown, 1934-38.

Mr. Curtis married the former Catherine Fletcher of Princeton in 1941. They have three children, James A., Jr., Ardell Susan and John Fletcher. He was elected to the Assembly for the first time in November, 1947, and again in 1949.

N.J. Legislative Manual
1951 pp. 352-353



James Vance McIver

Essex County, Republican,
Orange.

Biddle University; Lincoln
University; Princeton Seminary.
Pastor, Union Baptist Church
of Orange.

Former President, Ministe-
rial Association of the Orangees
and Maplewood; Director
American Red Cross; member,
Children's Aid Society, Child
Adoption Society, Essex County
Council of Churches; youth
counsellor in Domestic Courts;
chaplain in East Orange Vet-
erans' Hospital.

General Assembly 1956, 7

N.J. Legislative Index 1957

JAMES VANCE McIVER

(Rep., Orange)

Assemblyman McIver was born July 27, 1899, at Sanford, North Carolina. He is a high school graduate and attended Johnson C. Smith University; one year at Lincoln University, Seminary, Pa.; one year at Princeton, Seminary; one year at McCormick, Chicago, Ill.

He is Pastor of the Union Baptist Church of Orange. He is former president Ministerial Association of the Oranges and Maplewood; Director of American Red Cross; former President of Y.M.C.A.; member of Children's Aid Society; Child Adoption Society, Essex County Council of Churches. He also serves as youth counsellor in Domestic Courts, and is chaplain in the East Orange Veteran's Hospital.

N.J. Legislative Manual
1957 p. 400

Madaline A. Williams

Essex County, Democrat, East Orange. Born Brunswick, Georgia.

Trenton State Teachers College; Atlanta Univ.; New York Univ.; attended Selden Normal & Industrial Inst.

Housewife, Volunteer Community Worker.

Former teacher, Trenton.

Member, Board of Directors Orange & Maplewood YWCA, Board of Oranges & Maplewood Council of Church Women, Policy Committee of Community Chest, Council of Negro Women.

Member, N. J. Youth Study Commis., N. J. Commis. for the Study of Medical Care for Indigents, N. J. White House Conf. on Children & Youth, N. J. Welfare Council, N. J. Civil War Centennial Commission.

Member, N. J. Order of Women Legis., Nat'l Order of Women Legis., Speakers Exchange of the Women's Activities of the Nat'l Demo. Comm.

General Assembly 1958, 9, 1960, 1.



N.J. Legislative Index 1960

MRS. MADALINE A. WILLIAMS

(Dem., East Orange)

Mrs. Williams was born in Brunswick, Georgia, May 5, 1896. She is the first Negro woman to serve in the New Jersey Legislature.

She was educated in the Risley Public Schools, Selden Normal and Industrial Institute, Atlanta University, Trenton State Teachers College and New York University.

She is a teacher, having taught in the Trenton school system for eight years.

She has served as first vice-president and program chairman of the Council of Church Women, Orange and Maplewood; vice-president and public affairs chairman of the Y. W. C. A. of the Oranges and Maplewood; representative of the Oranges Human Relations Council on the Essex County Inter Group Council; board member of the East Orange League of Women Voters; executive board member of the State Conference, N. A. A. C. P.; trustee of New Jersey Society for Crippled Children and Adults.

She is presently State Youth Advisor for the State N. A. A. C. P., as well as Advisor of the N. A. A. C. P. Youth Dept. of the Oranges and Maplewood; a member of the Council of Negro Women of the Oranges; a member of the Union Baptist Church; Third Ward Democratic Association; East Orange Democratic Club; Essex County Democratic Women's League; member of Policy Committee of Community Chest, former public member of the State Migrant Labor Board. She is one of two women in Essex County cited for Community Christian Citizenship. She is a member of the New Jersey Youth Study Commission and the New Jersey State Commission for the Study of Medical Care for the Indigent. She is also a member of the National Youth Committee of the N. A. A. C. P.; N. J. Welfare Council; Natl. Order of Women Legislators; N. J. Order of Women Legislators; Speakers' Exchange of the Women's Activities of the Dem. Natl. Committee; N. J. Civil War Centennial Commission.

She is married to Samuel A. Williams, Supervisor in the Newark Post Office and a member of the National Board, N. A. A. C. P., and also State President of N. A. A. C. P.

She was re-elected for a second two-year term on November 3, 1959.

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1960 pp. 383-384

Herbert H. Tate

Essex County, Republican.
Newark. Born December 24,
1908, Montclair.

Montclair High School; Dana
College (now Newark College
of Arts and Science, Rutgers
Univ.), A.B., 1933; N. J. Law
School (now Rutgers Univ.),
LL.B., 1935.

Counsellor at Law; co-owner,
publisher, N. J. Herald News.

Referee, Juvenile Con. Comm.,
Essex Co. Juvenile Court; mem-
ber, exec. comm., Nat'l Bd. of
YMCA's, Armed Services De-
part. Internat'l Comm. of the
YMCA's of the U. S. and Can-
ada; member, comm. of Man-
agement, S.W. Branch, YMCA,
Robert Treat Council Boy
Scouts of America; trustee,
N. J. Urban League.

Vice pres. and trustee, N. J.
State Branch, American Assn.
of the UN; former member,
Newark Bd. of Ed.; former
commis., State Commis. on Civil
Rights of the Div. Against Dis-
crimination; former Cultural
Attache, U. S. Embassy, Kara-
chi, Parkistan.

World War II, U. S. Army,
October 1942 to April 1946, dis-
charged Lieutenant; graduate,
School for Personnel Services,
Washington and Lee Univer-
sity.

General Assembly 1960, 1.
Essex County Republican
delegation leader 1960.



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HERBERT H. TATE

(Rep., Newark)

Assemblyman Herbert H. Tate, leader of the Essex County
Majority Delegation, is a Counsellor-at-Law with offices at
126 Court Street, Newark. He was born in Montclair,
December 24, 1908.

He was educated at the Montclair High School; graduate
of Rutgers University (Dana College), 1933, with a degree
of A.B.; Rutgers University Law School (New Jersey Law
School) 1935, LL.B.

Mr. Tate is a member of the Essex County Bar Associa-
tion. Mr. Tate served in the United States Army from
1942 to 1946 and was a graduate from the school for
Personnel Services, Washington and Lee University, later
becoming Information and Education Officer.

Mr. Tate is co-owner and publisher of the New Jersey
Herald News, a State-wide Negro weekly.

Mr. Tate is a member of St. Phillips Episcopal Church,
Newark, and is a member of the Department of Christian
Social Relations of the Diocese of Newark. He is a member
of the Armed Services Department Executive Committee of
the National Board of Y. M. C. A.'s; Executive Committee
member of the International Committee of the Y. M. C. A.'s
of the United States and Canada; Referee for the Juvenile
Conference Committee of the Essex County Juvenile Court;
trustee New Jersey Urban League; Executive Board mem-
ber of the State Conference, N.A.A.C.P.; National Legal

Advisor to the Frontiers of America; Vice-President and
Trustee New Jersey State Branch, American Association
for the United Nations; member Robert Treat Council Boy
Scouts of America.

Mr. Tate served as Vice-Chairman to the New Jersey
Commission of Civil Rights of the Division Against Dis-
crimination; Newark Board of Education; Vice-President
of the Associated Boards of Education of Essex County and
served as Cultural Attache' to the United States Embassy
in Karachi, Pakistan from 1951 to 1953.

Mr. Tate is a Mason, an Elk, Alpha Phi Alpha, American
Legion Post, No. 152, Essex County Republican Council.

Mr. Tate is married to the former Ethel Harris and the
father of one son, Herbert H. Tate, Jr.

George C. Richardson

District 11A, Part of Essex County, Democrat, Newark. Born Jan. 5, 1929, Newark.

East Side High School, Newark; Jersey City Tech. Inst.; Air Force Admin. School.

Pres., Periscope Associates, Public Relations, Sales Promotion Agency.

Co-chrm., Business and Ind. Coordinating Council, Newark; Pres. United Essex Civic Assn.; Vice-Pres., Trustee, United Comm. Corp.; member, N.A.A.C.P., C.O.R.E., Newark Boys Club.

U. S. Army, Pacific 2 years; Korean War, U. S. Air Force. Staff Sergeant, 3-1/2 years.

General Assembly 1962-63, 68-73.

Assistant Minority Leader 1970, 1.



N.J. Legislative Index 1973

GEORGE C. RICHARDSON

(Dem., Newark)

Assemblyman Richardson was born in Newark on January 5, 1929. While serving in the N. J. Assembly during the 1961-1963 session, he was a member of the State Narcotics Study Commission. During the 1964 presidential campaign he was appointed a special assistant to the director of the citizens for Johnson-Humphrey Committee.

Long active in civil rights, anti-poverty, educational and other civic organizations, Mr. Richardson has served as co-chairman of the Business and Industrial Co-ordinating Council, the Central Ward Democratic County Committee, and the Newark Co-ordinating Council. He has served as president of the United Essex Civic Association and the Greater Newark Political Association. He was also a vice-president and member of the Board of Trustees of the United Community Corporation, Newark's anti-poverty agency, and N. J. American for Democratic Action. He has been an active member of the N.A.A.C.P., C.O.R.E., the Newark Boys Club and the Newark Parent-Teachers Association.

He is founder and chairman of the United Freedom Party.

Mr. Richardson has received many awards for his civic activities, including those from the Congress for Racial Equality, and Business and Industrial Co-ordinating Council, and the Newark Junior Chamber of Commerce which lauded him for "outstanding service to the community."

He is a graduate of East Side High School, the U. S. Air Force Administrative School, and attended the Jersey City Technical Institute.

He is president of Periscope Associates, a public relations agency located in Newark.

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1973 p. 417

S. Howard Woodson, Jr.

Dist. 13, Part of Mercer Co.,
Dem., Trenton. Born May 8,
1916, Phila., Pa.

Public Schools, Phila., Pa.;
State College, Cheyney, Pa.;
Morehouse College, Atlanta,
Ga.; Atlanta Univ., Ga.

Minister, Pastor of Shiloh
Baptist Church, Trenton.

Coun., Trenton, 62-64; mem.,
Bd. of Public Asst., 62-64, Mer-
cer Co. War Mem. Comm., 62-
64, Trenton Plan. Bd. 50-56,
State Youth Comm. 1964-68,
State Housing Conf. Bd. 1967;
former Pres. Trenton Co. of
Churches; Bro. Award NCCJ
Mercer Chap., 1967; Legis.
of the Yr., 1968 State Freeholders
Assn.; Leg. Serv. Awd. Mercer
Branch Civil Serv. Workers 67;
Pres., Trenton Branch NAACP
50-60, State Conf. NAACP 62-
64; Exec. Sect'y, Shiloh Homes
Inc.; Chmn., Bd. of Dir., Mer-
cer OIC.

General Assembly from Nov.
16, 1964-75.

Minority Leader 1968, 9.

Assoc. Dem. Ldr. 1972, 3.

Speaker, General Assembly
1974, 5.



N.J. Legislative Index 1975

Rev. S. HOWARD WOODSON, JR.

(Dem., Trenton)

The Rev. Mr. Woodson, pastor of Shiloh Baptist Church, Trenton, was born in Philadelphia May 8, 1916, and educated in the public schools of that city. He is a graduate of Cheyney State College at Cheyney, Pa., with a B.S. in education; a graduate of Seminary at Morehouse College, Atlanta, B.D. in religion; and did post graduate study in sociology at Atlanta University, Atlanta, Ga.

He is a former president of Council of Churches of Greater Trenton; former president of the Board of Directors, Carver YMCA; member of Board of Directors of Carver YMCA, and a former president of the State Conference of the NAACP.

He served in 1968 and 1969 as minority leader of the Assembly. He is currently State Chairman of Black Americans, Inc., which is the minority division of the State Democratic Party. He is also a member of the Board of Trustees of Mercer Hospital and the Board of Trustees of The Progress Association for Economic Development. He is chairman of the Trenton affiliate of the National O. I. C.

He married the former Lola Meeks in 1973, following the death in 1969 of his first wife, Audrey. He has two children from his first marriage: Jean, 33, and Howard, 23; and a stepdaughter, Paulette, 28.

Assemblyman Woodson is the winner of the 1966 Brotherhood Award given by Conference of Christians and Jews.

In 1968 he was chosen as Legislator of the Year by the State Association of Chosen Boards of Freeholders of New Jersey. In 1967 he was awarded a citation for legislative service by the Mercer Council No. 4, Civil Service Association.

The Rev. Mr. Woodson, a former Trenton councilman, served as minority leader in 1968 and 1969 and as associate Democratic leader in 1972 and 1973. He began a two-year term as speaker in January, 1974. He was first seated in the Assembly in 1964.

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1975 p. 229

Arnold E. Brown

Bergen County, Democrat,
Englewood. Born April 21,
1932, Englewood.

Bowling Green State Univer-
sity A.B., Bowling Green, Ohio,
Rutgers University Law Sch.,
LL.B.

Attorney-at-Law.

Past Pres., member Bd. of
Directors, Bergen Co. Branch,
N.A.A.C.P., Bergen Co. Urban
League, member Bd. of Direc-
tors, Social Service Federation,
Health and Welfare Council of
Bergen County, Inc.

General Assembly 1966, 7.



N.J. Legislative Index 1967

ARNOLD E. BROWN

(Dem., Englewood)

Assemblyman Brown, 34, has served as president of the Bergen County branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, president of the Urban League for Bergen County, member of the American Bar Association, member of the New Jersey Bar Association, member of the Bergen County Bar Association, member of the Attorneys Society of Bergen County, member of the Board of Directors of the Urban League for Bergen County and member of the Board of Trustees of the Health and Welfare Council of Bergen County, Inc.

In addition, Brown is a member of the New Jersey State Federation of Realtists.

He is a lawyer by profession. He was educated in the Englewood public schools and attended Bowling Green State University in Ohio before entering Rutgers Law School. Assemblyman Brown is certified to practice before the United States District Court as well as New Jersey courts.

He resides at 383 Knickerbocker Road, Englewood, with his wife, Lydia, and their three daughters, Crystal, S. Beverly, 6, and Dale, 4.

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Hutchins F. Inge

Eleventh Distict, Essex Co.,
Democrat, Newark. Born Char-
lottesville, Va.
University of Minnesota,
Ph.C. Howard Univ., M.D.
Physician.
Member, New Jersey Assn.
for Retarded Children; former
member, Bd. of Directors, Es-
sex Co. Urban League, Commit-
tee of Management, Southwest
Branch Y.M.-Y.W.C.A.
Senate 1966, 7.



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HUTCHINS F. INGE, M.D.

(Dem., Newark)

Senator Inge has been active in the service of Essex County community, both as a medical doctor and in civic affairs.

He has served as a director of the Essex Urban League and the New Jersey Association for Retarded Children. He is a staff physician in the Division of Child Hygiene for the Newark Board of Health.

A graduate of the University of Minnesota College of Pharmacy and Howard University School of Medicine, Senator Inge has maintained an active practice in Newark, where he is on the staff of Presbyterian Hospital.

He is a member of the North Jersey Medical Society and the American Medical Association. He and his wife, the former Evelyn Timmons, are members of St. Phillip's Episcopal Church, Newark.

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SPEAKER PRO TEM

Ronald Owens

District 29, Part of Essex County, Democrat, Newark. Born Feb. 4, 1930, Newark.

Newton Street Grammar School, Newark; Rutgers University; Seton Hall Law School.

Attorney.

Assistant Corporation Counsel, Newark, 1967-70.

Member, Executive Bd. Newark Branch N.A.A.C.P. 1960-63, Board of Education, Newark, 1963-66; Trustee, Newark Public Library, 1975, 6.

U.S. Army, Signal Corps, 1953-55.

General Assembly 1966-77.

Asst. Dem. Leader 1972, 73.

Speaker Pro Tem 1974-77.

Acting Governor 1976.



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RONALD OWENS, Dem., Newark

Assemblyman Owens was elected to the Assembly in 1965, and re-elected in 1967, 1969, 1971, 1973, and 1975. He served as assistant Democratic leader in 1971 and 1972, and as speaker pro tempore in 1973, 1974, and 1976. In December, 1976, Mr. Owens served briefly as acting governor, becoming the second black in the state's history to serve in that office.

Mr. Owens was born in Newark on Feb. 4, 1930, the oldest of three children of Leroy and Eleanor Owens of 64 McKay Ave., East Orange. He attended Newton Street Grammar School and Central High School in Newark, graduating from the latter in 1948. In 1949 Mr. Owens enrolled in Rutgers University, where he received a B.A. degree in political science in 1953.

Mr. Owens was in the Signal Corps from 1953 to 1955. Returning to civilian life, he taught in the Newark Public School system and enrolled in Seton Hall Law School.

Mr. Owens graduated from law school in 1959 and during that year started his law clerkship under Ferdinand J. Biunno, in the office of Congressman Peter W. Rodino Jr. He is now in practice at 50 Park Place, Newark.

Mr. Owens has been a member of the Executive Board of the Newark Branch, NAACP and from July 1, 1963, through June 30, 1966, was a member of the Newark Board of Education. He was formerly assistant corporation counsel in Newark.

He is married to the former Louise Redding. They reside at 110 Hansbury Avenue, Newark, with their children Randall Scott Owens, and Pamela Tracey Owens.

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Addison M. McLeon

District 12A, Hudson County, Democrat, Jersey City. Born June 17, 1921, Harnet County, N. C.

Public School #14, Lincoln High School, Jersey City; Lincoln Univ. B.A. 1949; Cortez W. Peters School of Bus., Washington, D. C.

President, Murl Realty Co., Jersey City.

Sr. Housing Mgr., Housing Auth., Jersey City, 1954-65, mem., Bd. of Ed., Jersey City, 1963-9; Vice Pres. NAACP Jersey City, 1960-64, mem., Exec Comm. since 1954; mem., Bd. of Dir. Jersey City Comm. & Neighborhood Dev. Org., Citizens Adv. Comm., Jersey City Redev. Agency 1959-61.

World War II, Sgt. Major, U. S. Army Air Force 1944-46. General Assembly 1960, 7, 8, 9.



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ADDISON M. McLEON

(Dem., Jersey City)

Assemblyman McLeon was born June 17, 1921, at Harnett County, North Carolina.

He is married to the former Louise Williams and they have three children. He resides at 135 Clerk Street, Jersey City.

He attended public schools of Jersey City, including School No. 14, and Lincoln High School. He entered Lincoln University, Pennsylvania, in September, 1940, pursuing a Pre-Medical Course, majoring in biology. His education was interrupted during his senior year by World War II in 1944. He served in the U. S. Air Force, 1944-1946, rising from the rank of private within a year to Personnel Sergeant Major, the highest rank for enlisted men. He returned to Lincoln University in September, 1948, and received the degree of Bachelor of Arts, June, 1949. Subsequently he completed a two-year business administration course at the Cortez W. Peters School of Business of Washington, D. C., in 1951.

Assemblyman McLeon was employed by the Public Housing Administration in Washington, D. C., and was senior housing manager for the Jersey City Housing Authority. He resigned as manager to campaign for the General Assembly and work as a realtor and president with the Murl Realty Co.

He is a member of the Board of Education of the city of Jersey City, and chairman of its Building Committee.

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Augustus T. Capers

District 14B, Passaic County,
Democrat, Paterson. Born Sep-
tember 30, 1918, Charleston,
S. C.

Public Schools, Paterson;
Lincoln University, A.B.; How-
ard University Dental College.
D.D.S.

Dentist.
Dentist, Board of Education.
Paterson, County Jail, Passaic.
World War II, Korean War.
U. S. Army Dental Corps.
General Assembly 1968, 9.



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AUGUSTUS T. CAPERS

(Dem., Paterson)

Assemblyman Capers, D.D.S., was born in Charleston, S. C.
September 30, 1918.

He received his education in the local public schools of
Paterson: A.B. degree from Lincoln University, Pa., and
D.D.S. from Howard University Dental College.

He is a dentist by profession.

He is a member of the American Dental Society; National
Dental Society; Kiwanis International of Paterson, N. J.,
and a member of the NAACP of Paterson.

He is school dentist of Paterson in the employ of the
Paterson Board of Education.

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William G. Wilkerson, (M.D.)

District 12B, Part of Hudson County, Democrat, Jersey City. Public Schools, Camden; Lincoln Univ., Pa.; N.Y.U.; Univ. of Geneva, Switzerland, B.M.S., M.D.

Physician, Sr. Attending, M. Hague Maternity Hosp.

Past Pres., Hudson Co. Assn. of Mental Health, Housing Auth., J.C.; former Police Surgeon; Mem., Amer. Med. Assn., Hudson Co. Med. Soc., Amer., State Pub. Health Assn., Civil Avia. Med. Assn., Aerospace Med. Assn., Flying Phys. Assn., Exec. Comm., Hudson Co., Amer. Cancer Soc., Hudson Co. Bd. Mental Health; Vice Pres., N.J. Goodwill Ind., Pres. NAACP, Jersey City; For. V.P. State Conf. NAACP, Lions, Jersey City; Gp. Med. Off. (Maj.) CAP; Sr. Med. Exam. FAA.

World War II, Fighter Pilot, 332nd Fighter Group., 99th Fighter Squadron.

General Assembly 1972, 3.



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WILLIAM G. WILKERSON, M.D.

(Dem., Jersey City)

Dr. Wilkerson was educated in the elementary and high schools of Camden, N. J.

He attended Lincoln University, Pa.; graduate school, New York University, and Medical School, University of Geneva, Switzerland. He holds degrees of B.M.S. and M.D.

During World War II he was a fighter pilot, 332nd Fighter Group and 99th Fighter Squadron. He was wounded in action and retired on disability. He entered Medical School on an International Exchange Fellowship and graduated with honors.

He is senior attending physician at Margaret Hague Maternity Hospital, Jersey City; St. Mary's Hospital, Hoboken; Fairmount Hospital, Jersey City, and Jersey City Medical Center.

Dr. Wilkerson has served as a member of the Hudson County Board of Mental Health; Jersey City Housing Authority; Vice-chairman of the Housing Authority, and Police Surgeon. He also served on the Executive Board, Hudson County Unit, American Cancer Society, and president of the Jersey City Branch of the N.A.A.C.P. He is a member of the American Medical Association, National Medical Association; Hudson County Medical Society, and more than a dozen other organizations, some of which he served in an official capacity.

Among other honors, Dr. Wilkerson has been designated as Hudson County "Man of Achievement"; in Dictionary of International Biographers; Registry of Prominent Americans and International Notables, and is a fellow of the Royal Society of Health (London).

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William H. Hicks

District 34, Part of Passaic County, Democrat, Paterson. Born Aug. 27, 1925, Littleton, N.C.

Public Schools, Paterson, William Paterson College, B.A., Ed.

Automobile Salesman.

Mem., Bd. of Dir., Paterson Boys Club, Damon House. Selective Service Bd. No. 36, Amer. Legion Post No. 268; Alderman, 4th Ward, Paterson 1966-71; Pres. of Bd., Paterson, 1 yr.; Adv. Comm., Equal Opportunities, Ramapo College.

World War II, U.S. Navy Air Corps, 4 yrs.

General Assembly 1972-75.



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WILLIAM H. HICKS

(Dem., Paterson)

Assemblyman Hicks was born in Littleton, North Carolina, Aug. 27, 1925. He came to Paterson, in 1935. He attended the Paterson School System and holds a B.A. degree in education from William Paterson College.

He is married to Margaret A. Hicks and has three daughters, Chiquita, Patricia and Linda Hicks, and one son, William H. Hicks Jr.

Assemblyman Hicks serves on the Board of Directors of the Paterson Boys Club, and the Board of Directors of the Damon House, a narcotics rehabilitation center. He was appointed by former President Richard M. Nixon to Selective Service Local Board No. 36. He is a member of American Legion Post No. 268. Assemblyman Hicks was elected alderman of Paterson's Fourth Ward for three consecutive terms from 1966 to 1971, and was the first black man to serve as president of that board. He serves on the Advisory Committee on Equal Opportunities at Ramapo College.

He served four years in the Naval Air Corps.

He is a salesman for the Leschel Buick Opel Company of 926 Market Street, Paterson.

Assemblyman Hicks was elected to the Assembly in 1971, and re-elected in 1973.

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Eldridge Hawkins

District 26, Part of Essex Co., Democrat. East Orange. Born, Sept. 4, 1940, E. Orange. High School, East Orange; Rutgers Univ., B.A.; Seton Hall Law School, J.D.

Attorney.

Prosecutor, E. Orange, 1970-72; Trustee, Comm. Day Nursery, E. Orange, Mon. Co. Rutgers Bd., Victory House (Home for Wayward Boys), Comm. Action Prog. Comm.; Dir., Jaycees, E. Orange; E. Orange Jaycee of the Year (1972); Cmdr., Exp. Scout Post; Mem., Nat. Bd., Nat. Conf. of Christians & Jews; Steering Comm., N.J. Tchrs. Corp., Corr. Ed. Ctr.; Mem., Nat. Assn. for Comm. Dev., Concerned Legal Assoc., State Dem. Policy Council, NAACP. Core. General Assembly 1972-77.



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ELDRIDGE HAWKINS, Dem., East Orange
Assemblyman Hawkins was born Sept. 4, 1940, in East Orange.

Assemblyman Hawkins is a lawyer, and served as city prosecutor of East Orange from 1970 to 1972; special legal counselor for the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission; director of the Monmouth County Legal Services Project; and staff attorney for the Newark Legal Services Organization.

He is a 1958 graduate of East Orange High School; a 1962 graduate of Rutgers University with a B.S. in political science; and a 1966 graduate of Seton Hall University School of Law with Juris Doctorate degree. His wife is the former Linda Cofer. They were married Sept. 5, 1976.

He is a director of East Orange Jaycees and was honored as the East Orange Jaycee of the Year in 1972. He is trustee of Day Care Community Center; trustee of Victory House (Home for Wayward Boys); Explorer Scout Past Commander; member, National Association for Community Development; trustee of the Community Action Program Committee; member of Concerned Legal Associates; member of the NAACP; National Board member of the National Conference of Christians and Jews; and Steering Committeeman of New Jersey Teachers Corp. Correctional Education Center.

While at Rutgers, The State University, he won honors as a 150-pound football player, and he set school records in track.

Mr. Hawkins received the Seton Hall Law School's Thurgood Marshall Award for 1976. The award is presented to the New Jersey lawyer who most typifies the ideals of Thurgood Marshall. The New Jersey Women's Political Caucus voted Assemblyman Hawkins its "Outstanding Legislator" award for 1973.

Assemblyman Hawkins was elected to the Assembly in 1971, and re-elected in 1973 and 1975.

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Wynona M. Lipman

District 29, Part of Essex County,
Democrat, Newark.

Rockefeller Grant, Ph.D. Columbia
Univ.; Fulbright Scholar, Sorbonne,
Paris.

Assoc. Prof., Div. Bus. Studies,
Essex Co. College.

Mem. Order of Women Leg., Wom-
en's Pol. Caucus, Fed. of Dem.
Women, N.J. Assn. Elected Women
Officials, Nat. Council of Negro
Women, NAACP, N.J. Unit of Nat.
Assn. of Bus. & Prof. Women's Clubs
Inc., Exec. Bd. of Nat. Coalition of
100 Black Women, Aff. Action Rev.

Coun., Nwk., Nat. Black Caucus State Legislators.

Bd. of Trustees, Urban Leag. Essex Co., Rutgers Small Bus. Dev.
Ctr., Nwk. United Comm. Corp., Greater Nwk. Adv. Bd., Chmn.,
Comm. Stdy. Sex Discrim. Stat.; Mem., LWV, Nwk., Cood., N.J.
Black Caucus; Leg. Memb. Comm. to Stdy Procurement for Sm.,
Min., Female Businesses; Comm. Stdy AIDS; Ex. Bd., Essex Co.,
Amer. Cancer Soc., N.J. Comm. International Trade, Nat. Polit.
Cong. Black Women, Overseer, Gov. Sch. of N.J.

Wynona M. Lipman Scholarship estab. 1986, Seton Hall Univ.
Grad. Sch. Business.

Former Freeholder Dir., Essex Co.; Vice-Chm., Essex Co. Black
Elected Democrats.

Senate 1972-91.

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WYNONA M. LIPMAN, DEM., NEWARK

Senator Lipman is the only black woman ever elected to the Senate. She was first elected in 1971, and re-elected five times.

Senator Lipman was born in Georgia and attended school there. Her higher education was at Talladega College, Atlanta University, and Columbia University, where she received a doctorate in philosophy and was named a Fulbright scholar to study at the Sorbonne in Paris. She holds honorary doctorates from Kean, Bloomfield, Ramapo, and Montclair State Colleges, and is currently an associate professor at Essex County College.

Senator Lipman has received numerous awards and citations, among them a human rights award from the State Division of Human Rights, and a distinguished service award in State Government by the NAACP. The United Minority Brain Trust has honored her by establishing the Wynona M. Lipman Scholarship at the Seton Hall Graduate School of Business.

Senator Lipman is a former Essex County freeholder director, and has served on many national and state committees. She is vice chairwoman of the Commission on Sex Discrimination in the Statues, serves on the Board of Overseers of the Governor's School, and is on the International Trade Commission. She is also a former director of the Interracial Council of Business opportunity, a member of the Order of Women Legislators, member of the National Black Caucus of State Legislators, life member of the National Council of Negro Women, life member of the Newark Branch of the Newark NAACP, and is co-ordinator of the New Jersey Legislative Black Caucus.

She is the mother of Karyne Anne, who graduated from Rutgers University Graduate School of Management in 1984. Her son, William John, died at the age of 24 and is commemorated by a scholarship at the Newark Community School of the Arts.

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William O. Perkins, Jr.

District 31, Part of Hudson County, Democrat, Jersey City. Born January 12, 1940, Jersey City.

Public Schools, Jersey City; Univ. of Iowa, B.A.; Seton Hall Law School, J.D.

Attorney.

Member, Board of Hudson County Legal Services, Jersey City Branch N.A.C.C.P.; Trustee, Jersey City State College. General Assembly 1974-77.



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WILLIAM O. PERKINS, Jr., Dem., Jersey City

Assemblyman Perkins was born in Jersey City Jan. 11, 1940. After graduation from Snyder High School he attended the University of Iowa on an athletic scholarship, and studied Russian languages. Thereafter he attended Seton Hall Law School, and was admitted to the bar in 1970.

Assemblyman Perkins is a trustee of Jersey City State College; a member of the Hudson County Legal Services Board of Directors; and a member of the Hudson County, American, and National Bar Associations. He serves in the Hudson-Hamilton Boy Scout Council, and in the American Heart Association. He was a delegate to the Conference on Democratic Party Organization and Policy in Kansas City, Mo., in December, 1974, and was a delegate to the Democratic National Convention in Madison Square Garden, New York, in 1976. He is chairman of the state Democratic organization's Affirmative Action Monitoring Committee.

Assemblyman Perkins was elected to the Assembly in 1973, and re-elected in 1975. He is chairman of the Assembly Judiciary Committee.

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Willie B. Brown

District 29, Part of Essex County,
Democrat, Newark. Born June 18,
1940, Anderson, S.C.

South Carolina State College.

Real Estate Investor.

Reg. Dir., Nat. Black Caucus St.
Legislators; V. Chmn., South Ward
New Dem. Club; Former Chmn., N.J.
State Legis. Black Caucus; Memb.,
Exec. Bd. NCSL., NAACP.

Nat. Black Caucus St. Legis. "Man
of the Year," 1983; Who's Who of
Africa in America, 1987.

General Assembly 1974-91.

Majority Whip 1978, 79.

Asst. Majority Leader 1980-83.

Deputy Speaker 1984, 85.

Deputy Minority Leader 1986, 87.

Minority Leader 1988-89.

Speaker Pro Tem 1990-91.



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WILLIE B. BROWN, DEM., NEWARK

Assemblyman Brown was chosen speaker pro tempore by his Democratic colleagues as they organized for the 204th Legislature.

Mr. Brown previously served as deputy speaker, assistant majority leader and minority leader. He was first elected to the Assembly in 1973, and re-elected eight times. Among his legislative accomplishments was the sponsorship and management of the 1985 bill ordering state pension funds to divest of securities in any firm doing business in South Africa, to protest the harsh racist policies there.

Assemblyman Brown was born June 18, 1940, in Anderson, S.C. He attended Blue Ridge High School and South Carolina State College, where he was active in the ROTC organization.

He served as president of the Wainwright Triangular Block Association, as a voter registration chairman in the South Ward of Newark, as vice president of both the South Ward New Democrats Club and the Weequahic Community Council, and as an organizer for the South Ward Block Association.

Assemblyman Brown is a recipient of the South Ward Distinguished Citizens Award. He is a member of the NAACP, the Metropolitan Baptist Church, the General Grand Masonic Congress, and the King Solomon Grand Lodge. He is a quality control specialist.

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Charles Mays, Sr.

District 31, Part of Hudson County, Democrat, Jersey City. Born February 3, 1941. Glen Ridge.

Lincoln High School; University of Maryland, B.S.

Executive Director, Black Athletes Hall of Fame.

Mem. U.S. Olympic Team; Eleven times, All American, Track & Field.

General Assembly 1978-81.



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CHARLES MAYS SR., DEM., JERSEY CITY

Assemblyman Mays, a former Olympic and collegiate track and field competitor, is an executive of the Black Athletes' Hall of Fame, New York.

He was born Feb. 3, 1941, in Glen Ridge. After Lincoln High School he attended the University of Maryland, where he received his degree in mathematics in January, 1964.

He was elected to the Assembly in 1977, and re-elected in 1979.

Mr. Mays is married to the former Mimi Edwards. Their children are Monica Mays, born July 14, 1965; and Charles Mays Jr., born April 3, 1968.

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Mildred Barry Garvin

District 27, Part of Essex County, Democrat, E. Orange. Born in Chicago, Illinois.

Univ. of Illinois; Patterson State Teachers College.

Program Coordinator for the Masters in Public Adm. Prog., Rutgers Univ. Newark.

Mem., Amer. Soc., Pub. Adm. North N.J. Chap., Ex. Bd., NAACP, Orange & Maplewood Chap., Coalition of 100 Blk. Women., NCSL Ed. & Labor Com., Nat. Org. for Women, Nat. Black Caucus St. Legis., Bd. Dir. Essex Co. G.S.A.

Awards: 1978, Excel. in Ed., Oper. Push; 1981, Nat. Sojourner Truth Merit. Svc.; 1982, Political Achiev., NCNW, Nuclear Weapons Freeze Cert. of Apprec., N.J. Coun. of Churches Citizen of the Yr.; 1983, Eleanor Roosevelt, One of N.Js. Most Powerful Women; 1984, Assem. Educators, Eagle Post 290 Award of Merit, Nat. Assoc. Trades Tech. Schs. D.S.A.; 1985, Com. Svc. NAACP; 1986, Black Heritage, City of East Orange, Svc. Ed. Leadership, Essex Co. College.

General Assembly 1978-87.

Minority Whip 1986, 7.



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MRS. MILDRED BARRY GARVIN, DEM., EAST ORANGE

Mrs. Garvin attended DuSable High School, Chicago, the University of Illinois, and William Paterson State College.

She is program co-ordinator of field services for the Masters in Public Administration Program, a part of the graduate school at Rutgers, the State University, Newark. She has been associated with the program since 1975. She was associated with Rutgers Urban Studies Center from 1963 to 1971.

Mrs. Garvin has received many awards, citations, and testimonials. During 1985 she received the Legislator's Recognition award of the State Family Planning Forum, the Mary Senatore Memorial Award of the Essex County Federation of Democratic Women, the Community Service Award of the Oranges-Maplewood NAACP, and The Exemplary State Officials Award of the Association of Black Educators, Morris County Chapter.

She is a co-ordinating legislator for the legislative Black Caucus, the National Black Caucus of Local Elected Officials, the National Black Caucus of State Legislators, and the American Society for Public Administration. She is a member of the State Historical Commission.

Assemblywoman Garvin is a former member of the East Orange Board of Education, and the East Orange Free Public Library Board of Trustees.

Mrs. Garvin is married to Ralph Garvin. Her children are Patricia Corinne Barry, born July 7, 1949; Jacqueline Barry, born July 11, 1951; Ralph Garvin Jr., born April 12, 1961; Derrick Garvin, born Jan. 6, 1967; and Corey Garvin, born July 8, 1972.

Assemblywoman Garvin was elected to the Assembly in 1977, and re-elected four times.

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Eugene H. Thompson

District 29, Part of Essex County, Democrat, Newark. Born, May 24, 1930, Newark.

Robert Treat Grammar & Jr. High Sch.; Barringer High School, Newark; Tennessee State Univ.; Texas Southern Univ., School of Law.

Attorney; Admitted, U.S. Supreme Ct., 1982.

Mem., 13th Ave. Presbyterian Church, Bd. of Trustee Nwk. Svc. Corp.; Former Com'r. Boy Scouts Robert Treat Council, Essex Co. Juv. Conf. Com.; Mem., Concerned Legal Assn., Essex Co., State, Amer. Bar Assn. NAACP, St. James Lodge, Prince Hall Masons, Kappa Alpha Psi, Newark YM-YWCA, Roseville Lions, Bd. of Dir., Essex Co. Mental Hlth. Assn.; Former Mem., United Comm. Corp.

U.S. Navy, Honorable discharge.

General Assembly 1978-87.



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EUGENE H. THOMPSON, DEM., NEWARK

Mr. Thompson was born in Newark May 24, 1930. He attended Barringer High School and Tennessee State University, where he received his degree in 1955. He studied law at Texas Southern University, and was admitted to the bar in 1976. He practices law in Newark.

Mr. Thompson served in the Navy, and was discharged in September, 1951.

Assemblyman Thompson attends the Thirteenth Avenue Presbyterian Church in Newark. He is a director of the Newark Services Corp., a commissioner of the Robert Treat Council, Boy Scouts, and a member of the Essex County Juvenile Conference Committee, Concerned Legal Associates, the Essex County and Garden State Bar Associations, the United Community Corp., and the Newark YM-YWCA.

Mr. Thompson is not married.

He was elected to the Assembly in 1977, and re-elected four times.

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Mrs. Remy Pearce
(Dem., Essex)
General Assembly 1979-80

Remy Pearce was elected to fill the unexpired term of Peter Shapiro who resigned January 9, 1979 after election as Essex County Executive.

No photo or biographical data available at this time.

Joseph Charles, Jr.

District 31, Part of Hudson County,
Democrat, Jersey City. Born January
6, 1944, Jersey City.

Rutgers University, B.A.; Rutgers
Law School, J.D.

Attorney, Ashley and Charles,
Newark.

Law Clerk, Appellate Division,
Superior Court 1969-70; Deputy
Attorney General 1970-71; Chmn.,
Assembly Oversight Com.

General Assembly 1982-91.

Chmn. Black Caucus 1988-89.

Asst. Majority Leader 1990-91.



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JOSEPH CHARLES JR., DEM., JERSEY CITY

Assemblyman Charles was born in Jersey City on Jan. 6, 1944. He attended School 22 and Lincoln High School, Jersey City. He was graduated from Rutgers University in 1965, and from its Law School in 1969, the year of his admission to the bar.

Mr. Charles served as a deputy attorney general in 1970 and 1971. He practices law as a partner of the Newark firm of Ashley and Charles.

Mr. Charles is not married.

The Assembly term to which he was sworn Jan. 9, 1990, is his fifth. He is the assistant majority leader, and chairman of the Assembly Black Caucus.

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John S. Watson

District 15, Part of Mercer County,
Trenton, Democrat. Born August 14,
1924, Camden.

Life Underwriters Training Council.
Life Insurance Consultant.

Former Freeholder, Mercer County;
Mem. Gov. Task Force Equit. Comp.,
M.L. King Commemorative Comm.,
Juv. Delinq. Disposition Comm.

U.S. Merchant Marines, Quarter
Master, separated August 1945.

General Assembly 1982-91.

Minority Budget Officer 1986-89.



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JOHN S. WATSON, DEM., TRENTON

Assemblyman Watson is an insurance consultant in Trenton. He was born in Camden on Aug. 14, 1924, and attended Camden High School. He completed the course of the Life Underwriters Training Council in 1967, and attended the American College of Chartered Life Underwriters in 1969.

Mr. Watson was in the Merchant Marine during World War II.

Assemblyman Watson serves on the Governor's Task Force on Equitable Compensation, the Juvenile Delinquency Disposition Commission, and the Martin Luther King Commemorative Committee.

Mr. Watson served as a Mercer County freeholder from 1970 to 1981. He is serving his fifth Assembly term.

Mr. Watson and the late Marie Samuels were married in 1944. Their children are Bonnie, William, Timothy, and John Watson Jr.

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Ronald L. Rice

District 28, Part of Essex County, Democrat, Newark. Born December 18, 1945, Richmond, Virginia.

Essex Co. College, A.S.; John Jay College of Criminal Justice, B.S.; Rutgers Univ., M.A.; Rutgers Univ. Sch. of Law.

Newark City Councilman
Former Pres., Nat. Urban Affairs Council; Essex Co. College Alumni Assoc.; Chmn., Newark Mun. Co. Pub. Safety Com.; Founder, Mem., Essex Co. Black Mun. Legislators; Mem., Nat. League of Cities Energy, Envir. Res. Steering Com.; Former Mem., Amer Assoc. of Blacks in Energy.

USMC, 1966-70.

Senate from Nov. 18, 1986-91.

Asst. Majority Leader 1990-91.



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RONALD L. RICE, DEM., NEWARK

Senator Rice won his seat in a special election for the unexpired term of the late John P. Caufield, who died on Aug. 24, 1986. In the voting on Nov. 18, 1986, Mr. Rice received 4,772 votes against a total of 1,668 cast for the two other candidates. He was sworn and took his seat Dec. 4, 1986. He was re-elected in 1987.

The senator has been a Democratic County Committee member since 1976. He won the West Ward seat on the Newark City Council in 1982, and was re-elected in May, 1986.

Senator Rice is a veteran of the Vietnam war, and holder of Presidential and Navy Unit Citations. He was in the Marine Corps from 1966 to 1970, and was discharged with the rank of sergeant. He served in Vietnam in 1968 and 1969.

Mr. Rice was born in Richmond, Va., Dec. 18, 1945.

The senator's background is in law enforcement and security. He received his bachelor's degree at the John Jay College of Criminal Justice, New York, in 1976, and his master's degree at the Rutgers University Graduate School of Criminal Justice in 1979. He joined the Newark Police Department in 1972, and became a detective the following year. He left the Police Department in 1980 to join the Public Service Electric & Gas Company as a security specialist.

In 1980, Mr. Rice transferred to the Public Service community affairs program. After his election to the Senate he resigned his position with the utility company, to devote full time to his legislative and municipal offices.

Senator Rice attends the Allen A.M.E. Church, Newark, which he formerly served as a trustee.

Mr. Rice's wife is the former Shirley Nichols. He has two children, Ronald C. and Yuki Rice.

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Stephanie R. Bush

District 27, Part of Essex County,
Democrat, East Orange. Born March
16, 1953, East Orange.

Cornell University, B.A.; American
Univ. Law School, J.D.

Attorney, East Orange.

Past Pres., Assoc. Black Women
Lawyers of N.J.; Memb., Nat., Gar-
den St., N.J. Bar Assn.

Mayors' Merchant Award, 1987;
Prof. Achievement Award Southeast-
ern Penn. Chp. NCNPW.

General Assembly 1987-91.

Majority Whip 1990-91.



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STEPHANIE R. BUSH, DEM., EAST ORANGE

Assemblywoman Bush has sponsored legislation to protect infirm elderly people. One of her bills prescribes criminal penalties for abuse or neglect in such cases; another proposes a pilot program of specialized residential care for extreme cases of Alzheimer's disease.

Ms. Bush was born in East Orange March 16, 1953. She attended Cornell University and earned her law degree at American University Law School in 1978, the year of her admission to the bar. She was admitted to the Pennsylvania bar in 1979.

Assemblywoman Bush is a former president of the state Association of Black Women Lawyers. She is a member of NAACP, and is the attorney for the East Orange Board of Adjustment and the Planning Board.

Ms. Bush is not married. The Assembly term she began Jan. 9, 1990, is her second.

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Jackie R. Mattison

District 29, Part of Essex County,
Democrat, Newark. Born May 8, 1951,
Wahalla, S.C.

South Carolina State College.
City of Newark Chief of Staff.
Commissioner, Central Planning
Bd.; VP, South Ward Police Commu-
nity Relations Coun.; Bd. member,
Neighborhood Housing Svcs.
General Assembly 1987-91.



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JACKIE R. MATTISON, DEM., NEWARK

Mr. Mattison sponsored the law, enacted and signed during 1988, that empowers municipalities to establish urban homesteading programs in which they sell tax-foreclosed abandoned homes to families who commit themselves to improving the buildings and living in them.

Assemblyman Mattison was born in Wahalla, S.C., May 8, 1951. He attended public schools there and South Carolina State College, where he was graduated with a degree in business administration in 1972.

Mr. Mattison was elected to the Assembly in 1987 and re-elected in 1989.

Assemblyman Mattison is chief of staff in the office of Newark Mayor Sharpe James. He also serves on the city's Neighborhood Housing Service Board, and is vice president of the Newark Police Community Relations Council.

Assemblyman Mattison is married to the former Ella Glover, and is the father of three children: Monique, Erica, and Shaun.

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Priscilla B. Anderson

District 7, Parts of Burlington and Camden Counties, Republican, Willingboro. Born Sept. 14, 1935, Philadelphia, PA.

Trenton State College, B.S., Master of Education; N.J. Principal/Supervision Certificate.

Guidance Counselor.

Mayor, Willingboro 1984 and 1991, Deputy Mayor 1990; Willingboro Council Memb. 1981-present; Planning Bd. Memb.; Former Pres., Memb. N.J. Assoc. Elected Women Officials; Trustee, Burlington Co. Memorial Hosp.; Bd. of Dir., Burling-

ton Co. Action Prog.; N.A.A.C.P.

Awards: 1991 Dept. Human Svcs. DYFS Outstanding Achievement; 1990 Links of Burlington Co. Outstanding Community Svc.

General Assembly 1992-93.

Assistant Majority Whip 1992-93.

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7th District (parts of Burlington and Camden)

PRISCILLA B. ANDERSON, REP. WILLINGBORO

Assemblywoman Anderson was born Sept. 14, 1935, in Philadelphia, and attended public school there. She received a bachelor's and a master's degree from Trenton State College, in 1975 and 1978, respectively. She has done post-graduate work at the American School in Majorca, Spain, and at Rider College. She holds state education certificates in elementary education and student personnel services, and for principal and supervisor. She is a high-school guidance counselor in the Trenton school system.

Ms. Anderson won election to the Willingboro Township Council in 1981, and was re-elected in 1985 and 1989. She served as mayor in 1984 and 1991. She is serving her first term in the Assembly.

In 1984, the assemblywoman originated the Willingboro Youth Achievement Award program. She is a trustee of Memorial Hospital of Burlington County, and is a past president of the New Jersey Association of Elected Women Officials.

Ms. Anderson is divorced. She has two daughters: Pamela O. Anderson, born in 1963, and Dr. Veronica Anderson-Corperning, born in 1965.

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Robert L. Brown

District 27, Part of Essex County, Democrat, Orange. Born July 31, 1947, Wetumtha, Alabama.

Central Connecticut State College; Rutgers Law School, J.D.

Attorney.

Mayor, City of Orange Township 1988-present; Memb: Co., St., American Bar Assns., N.J. Trial Lawyers Assoc., N.J., U.S. Conference of Mayors, Nat. Conference of Black Mayors, Nat. Conference Democratic Mayors.

Awards: Outstanding Contrib. in Gov., Hillside Valley Presbyterian Church, 1988; Nancy R. Cherry Assoc. Human Rights Award, 1989; Robert L. Brown Day, Proclamation, Essex Co. Exec., 1990; Who's Who Among Black Americans, 1990-91.

General Assembly 1992-93.

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ROBERT L. BROWN, DEM. ORANGE

Mr. Brown was sworn to his first Assembly term Jan. 14, 1992. He was elected to a four-year term as mayor of Orange in May, 1988, and was re-elected in 1992. The assemblyman is chairman of the Orange Democratic Club, and city Democratic leader.

Among Assemblyman Brown's legislative initiatives are proposals to allow law enforcement officials to intercept illegal beeper transmissions of organized crime suspects and drug traffickers, and to limit the use of asset bail for drug distributors. He has also sponsored legislation that would prohibit police and private security firms from using dogs for routine crowd control.

Assemblyman Brown was born July 31, 1947, in Wetumpka, Alabama. He attended public schools in Albany, N.Y. He was graduated, in 1970, from Central Connecticut State College in New Britain with a bachelor's degree in mathematics, and received a juris doctorate degree from Rutgers University Law School in 1973. His law practice is in Orange.

Assemblyman Brown married the former Donna Holland in 1980. They have one son, Remington Philip, born in 1984.

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Gerald B. Green

District 17, Parts of Middlesex, Somerset and Union Counties, Democrat, Plainfield.

Self Employed, Business, Real Estate.

Union Co. Freeholder, Finance Chmn. 1991, Bd. Chmn. 1990; Memb.: Roselle Rec. Com., Planning Bd., Union Co. Day Care Advis. Bd., Union Co. College Bd., of School Estimate, Private Industry Coun., UCMUA, Human Sves. Advis. Coun., Form. Pres., Roselle-Linden Merchants Assoc.; Honorary Chmn. 1990 March

of Dimes WalkAmerica; Life-time Hon. Memb., Union Co. Police Chiefs Assoc.

General Assembly 1992-95.

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17th District (parts of Middlesex, Somerset and Union)

GERALD B. GREEN, DEM., PLAINFIELD

Assemblyman Green was born April 16, 1939, in Roselle, where he attended public schools. He is a self-employed businessman in marketing and real estate.

The Assembly term to which he was sworn Jan. 11, 1996, is his third. He served two terms on the Union County Board of Freeholders, from 1982 to 1984, and from 1989 to 1991.

Assemblyman Green has served on the Union County Chapter of the Salvation Army, participated in local fund-raising drives to fight cancer, and was honorary chairman for the North Jersey Chapter of the March of Dimes in 1990. He is a former president of the Roselle and Linden Merchants Association.

Assemblyman Green and his wife, Wanda, have three sons and two daughters. They are members of the First Baptist Church of Linden.

ROBERT G. SMITH, DEM., PISCATAWAY

Assemblyman Smith was born in Scranton, Pa., March 25, 1947. He earned a degree in history from the University of Scranton in 1969, an M.S. in chemistry there in 1970, and an M.S. in environmental science from Rutgers University in 1973. He graduated from Seton Hall Law School in 1981 and was admitted to the bar that year. He is a partner in the Piscataway law firm of Smith and Schechter.

Now in his sixth term in the Assembly, Mr. Smith has taken a leading role in developing environmental legislation. He wrote the Clean Water Enforcement Act, and legislation to encourage prevention of oil spills.

Mr. Smith has served on Piscataway's Environmental Commission and Planning Board. He was a councilman from 1977 to 1980, and mayor from 1981 to 1986.

Mr. Smith's wife is the former Ellen Foster. They have two children, Karen and Lisa.

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ASSISTANT MAJORITY WHIP



Thomas S. Smith, Sr.

District 11, Part of Monmouth County, Republican, Asbury Park. Born Dec. 14, 1917 Bloomfield, Howard University

Mayor, Councilman Asbury Park; Pres. Asbury Pk. Kiwanis Club; Memb.: Monmouth-Ocean Co. Org. Christians and Jews, Nat. Org. Black Law Enforcement Officials; Form. Warden, St. Augustines Episcopal Church.

Awards: Police Chief of the Year. Nat. Asso. Police Com. Relations and Nat. Org. Christians and Jews.

U.S. Army 1942-45.

General Assembly 1992-95.

Asst. Majority Whip 1994-95.

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THOMAS S. SMITH, REP., ASBURY PARK

Assemblyman Smith was born Dec. 14, 1917, in Bloomfield. He is a graduate of Asbury Park High School. He attended Howard University in Washington, D.C., from 1937 to 1939. Mr. Smith served one year as an Asbury Park policeman before entering military service in 1942. He participated in combat in Normandy, Northern France, the Ardennes, Rhineland, and Central Europe before being discharged from the Army in 1945 with the rank of first sergeant.

Mr. Smith returned to the Asbury Park police force in 1945, and served until his retirement in 1979. He served the last 11 years as chief. He is a member of the International Association of Chiefs of Police, New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police, and the Monmouth County Police Chiefs' Association.

The Assembly term to which Mr. Smith was sworn Jan. 11, 1996, is his third. He is a former Asbury Park councilman and mayor. He is a past president of the Asbury Park Kiwanis Club, and currently holds memberships in the Monmouth/Ocean County Organization of Christians and Jews, the National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Officials, and Monmouth County Volunteers in Probation. He is a director of the Boys and Girls Club of Monmouth County and Monmouth County Red Cross, and serves on the advisory board of the Salvation Army.

Assemblyman Smith is married to the former Dorothy Dabney. They have one adult son, Thomas, Jr.

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Quilla E. Talmadge

District 27, Part of Essex County, Democrat, East Orange. Born December 30, 1939, Headland, Alabama.

Seton Hall University; Kean College.

Management Specialist.

President: City Council, Oak St. & 13th District Block Assn.; Counselor: Volunteers in Probation (V.I.P.), Project Care; Former Officer: East Orange Juv. Conf. Com., Third Ward Co. Com., Third Ward Dem. Assn.; Memb.: East Orange Ed. Advis. Com., Nat. Coun. Negro Women, Nat. Assn. Business & Profess. Women's Club, N.A.N.B.P.W. Club.

Awards: Quilla E. Talmadge Day, Proclamation, Essex Co. Exec., April 1992.

General Assembly from Oct. 15th, 1992-93.

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QUILLA E. TALMADGE, DEM. EAST ORANGE

Assemblywoman Talmadge was sworn Oct. 15, 1992, six days after being chosen by Democratic County Committee members of the 27th District to fill the seat left vacant when Stephanie R. Bush resigned to become commissioner of Community Affairs.

Mrs. Talmadge is chairwoman of the East Orange City Council, on which she has served since 1990.

She has been a member of Project Care since 1984, and was chairwoman of the Juvenile Conference Committee in 1982. She is president of the East Orange Third Ward Democratic Association, and has been recording secretary for the Essex County Democratic Club since June, 1992.

The assemblywoman was born Dec. 30, 1939, in Alabama, where she attended public schools. She received an associate's degree from Essex County College in 1978, and attended Kean College and Seton Hall University. She is a management specialist with the Essex County Parks Department.

She married John D. Talmadge in 1985. She has one son, Jimmy Lowe.

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Nia H. Gill

District 27, Part of Essex County.
Democrat, Montclair.
Upsala College, B.A.; Rutgers Law
School, J.D.
Attorney.
Delegate, Third Circuit Judicial
Conference; Trustee, Montclair Public
Library; Playwrights Theater of N.J.
Bd. of Dir.; Montclair Luna Stage
Theater Bd. of Dir.
General Assembly 1994-95.

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27th District (part of Essex)

NIA H. GILL, DEM., MONTCLAIR

Assemblywoman Gill was sworn to the Assembly Jan. 11, 1994.

She was born March 15, 1948, in Glen Ridge, and is a graduate of Upsala College and Rutgers University School of Law. She was admitted to the bar in 1976, and shares a practice in Montclair with Assemblyman Neil M. Cohen, who represents the 20th District.

Ms. Gill is a former member of the Montclair Board of Adjustment. She is a member of the National Conference of Black Lawyers, New Jersey State Bar Association, Garden State Bar Association, Black Women Lawyers of New Jersey, American Bar Association, Association of Trial Lawyers of America, and the Essex County Bar Association, and a former director of Playwrights Theater of New Jersey. She is a director of the Luna Stage Theater.

The assemblywoman has one adult son, Bradley.

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LeRoy J. Jones, Jr.

District 27, Part of Essex County, Democrat, East Orange. Born September 5, 1957, East Orange.

Seton Hall University, B.S. Accounting.

City Administrator, City of East Orange.

Member: Essex Co. Bd. of Freeholders 1988-1993; East Orange Prop. Owners Assn., PTA, NAACP, Orange-East Orange Optimist Club, East Orange Gen. Hosp. Bd. Trustees, H. Philip Randolph Instit., Essex Co. Black United Fd.

Awards: U.S. Jaycees Outstanding Young Men of America.

General Assembly 1994-95.

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LEROY J. JONES, JR., DEM., EAST ORANGE

Assemblyman Jones was born Sept. 5, 1957, in Orange. He attended public schools in Orange, East Orange and Newark, and graduated from Seton Hall University with a bachelor's degree in accounting in 1979. Mr. Jones also holds a professional banking certificate from the American Institute of Banking in New York.

From 1989 to December, 1993, Mr. Jones was an Essex County freeholder. He was elected to his first term in the Assembly Nov. 2, 1993, and was sworn Jan. 11, 1994.

Since 1990, Assemblyman Jones has served as city administrator for East Orange. He previously worked for Chase Manhattan Bank and AT&T. He

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Shirley K. Turner

District 15, Part of Mercer County,
Democrat, Lawrenceville.

Trenton State College, B.S.; Rider
College, M.A.

Director Office of Career Devel. &
Placement, Rider College.

Former Mercer Co. Freeholder;
Memb.: Lawrence Twp. Dem. Club,
(V.P. 1992), N.J. Fed. Dem. Women,
YMCA Devel. Com., Rider College
Mentoring Prog., Mercer Co. Sch. Age
Child Care Coalition, NAACP of
Metro. Trenton, Nat. Polit. Congress
of Black Women.

General Assembly 1994-95.

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SHIRLEY K. TURNER, DEM., TRENTON

Ms. Turner was elected to the Assembly in 1993 and re-elected in 1995. She is a former Mercer County freeholder and freeholder vice president.

The assemblywoman is director of career development and placement at Rider University in Lawrence. She previously served the college as an assistant director and counselor of its equal opportunity program. She is also a former health and physical education teacher in the Trenton school system.

Assemblywoman Turner received a bachelor's degree from Trenton State College and a master's in guidance and counseling from Rider University. She has been active in a number of civic, political, and professional organizations including the Woman's Political Caucus, New Jersey Federation of Democratic Women, Mercer County School-Age Child Care Coalition, YMCA Development Committee, New Jersey Placement Group, National Association for Higher Education, American Association for Counseling and Development, and the New Jersey Board of Realtors.

Assemblywoman Turner and her husband, Donald, have two children, Jackie and Chet, and three grandchildren, Briana, DeRon and Bryson.

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ASSEMBLYMAN
CRAIG A. STANLEY (D)

BORN:	November 20, 1955
EDUCATION:	B.A., University of Hartford (Political Science)
OCCUPATION:	Director of Corporate Programs: Y.M.W.C.A. of Newark and Vicinity
LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:	General Assembly 1996-present
COMMITTEES:	Education Local Government

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CRAIG A. STANLEY, DEM., IRVINGTON

Mr. Stanley was elected to his first term in the Assembly Nov. 7, 1995. He was born in Newark and attended the 18th Avenue School, Dayton Street School and was graduated from Arts High School. He was awarded an American Field Service Exchange Student Scholarship and completed his senior year in Switzerland.

The assemblyman attended the University of Hartford and earned a bachelor's degree in political science. After graduating, he served for several years as a regional sales manager for Wang Laboratories in Lowell, Mass. In 1990, as coordinator of the Newark YMWCA's Youth and Government Program, he founded a delegation at Irvington High School. He is currently director of corporate programs for the YMWCA of Newark and Vicinity. He is also a director of the New Jersey Black Achievers Program.

Mr. Stanley worked as a research assistant in the Assembly Democratic office and as an aide to the speaker pro tempore. He has also worked as a legislative analyst with the Department of Environmental Protection and as a legislative liaison to the Board of Regulatory Commissions.

Assemblyman Stanley has served as a district leader for the Irvington Democratic Committee for nine years and is presently north ward chairman. He is a member of the NAACP and is founder and president of the Association for Community Empowerment.

The assemblyman is a trustee's aide and a walking deacon with his church, Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church in Newark. He is married and has three children: Camille, Christina and Cathryn. His wife, Debra, is a substitute teacher.

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BORN:	January 22, 1954
EDUCATION:	B.A., Northeastern Bible College (Theology)
OCCUPATION:	Pastor: Seminary Baptist Church
PUBLIC SERVICE:	Paterson Council 1994-present
LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:	General Assembly 1996-present, Chaplain 1996-present
COMMITTEES:	Law and Public Safety

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**ASSEMBLYMAN
ALFRED E. STEELE (D)**

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REV. ALFRED E. STEELE, DEM., PATERSON

Rev. Steele, a Paterson councilman-at-large since 1994, was elected to the Assembly Nov. 7, 1995.

The assemblyman has served as pastor of Seminary Baptist Church in Paterson since 1984, where he had been an associate minister since 1982. He was an assistant chief chaplain at Passaic County Jail in Paterson, from 1989 to 1994, and a juvenile counselor for Straight and Narrow, Inc., in 1988 and 1989. He is executive director of B.J. Wilkerson Memorial Day Care and a past president of the Paterson Pastor's Workshop.

Rev. Steele attended Passaic County Community College and Northeastern Bible College in Essex Fells. He is a member of the NAACP Paterson Branch executive board and the African-American Chamber of Commerce, and serves on the boards of the United Way, the American Heart Association, PICO, and the Citizen's Alliance for a Drug-Free Paterson.

Rev. Steele and his wife, Carolyn, have three children: Lynelle, Angela and Joy.

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