

Representative Albert R. Wynn

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Education

- University of Pittsburgh, B.S., 1973
- Georgetown University Law Center, J.D., 1977

Bar and Court Admissions

- Maryland

Albert Wynn is a senior advisor in the firm's Public Policy and Law Practice. He joined Dickstein Shapiro in 2008 after serving 16 years as a member of the U.S. House of Representatives, representing Maryland's 4th Congressional District. During the last 12 years, he served on the powerful House Energy and Commerce Committee, most recently as Chairman of its Subcommittee on Environment and Hazardous Materials, and as a member of the Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality.

While on Energy and Commerce, Representative Wynn also served on the Health and Telecommunications Subcommittees. Earlier in his congressional career he was a member of the Financial Services Committee and the Foreign Affairs Committee. He was appointed a Senior Democratic Whip and served as Chairman of the Congressional Black Caucus Political Action Committee (PAC).

AREAS OF CONCENTRATION

Energy

Representative Wynn helped craft the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007. He added a provision authorizing \$10 billion in federal grants for an Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (ECBG) Program to support city, county, and state initiatives for energy efficiency, conservation, and renewable energy. Representative Wynn also won significantly increased funding for hydrogen fuel cell research with an amendment to the FY08 Energy Appropriations bill.

As a Conferee on the Energy Policy Act of 2005, Representative Wynn authored language providing for the expansion of electricity transmission networks to ensure greater reliability, increase competitive electricity rates, and promote a

stronger national electricity grid. In conference, he led efforts which added almost \$3 billion to the authorization for the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program. He also successfully sponsored an amendment creating 15 demonstration projects for hydrogen production from solar, wind, and nuclear energy sources.

Healthcare

As a member of the Subcommittee on Health, Representative Wynn worked on myriad health issues including the Medicare prescription drug program, health information technology, Food and Drug Administration reauthorization, medical device approvals, and generic drug issues. In the 110th Congress, working with various stakeholders, he successfully advocated for the inclusion of dental benefits for children under the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP).

Telecommunications

As a member of the Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Representative Wynn helped shape policy on issues of net neutrality, spectrum management and auctions, media ownership, Federal Communications Commission oversight, cable TV pricing and service, broadband deployment, telecommunication mergers, and media content.

Appropriations

Representative Wynn was intimately involved in the strategic planning to fund construction of the new Woodrow Wilson Bridge linking Maryland and Virginia. He also secured appropriations for a major expansion of the Washington, DC subway system. Additionally, he obtained funding for numerous federal highway and environmental projects.

BACKGROUND

While in Congress, Representative Wynn served as a Senior Democratic Whip, Regional Whip, member of the Democrats' message team, Chairman of the Congressional Black Caucus PAC, Chairman of the Congressional Black Caucus Task Force on Small Business, and Co-Chair of the Hydrogen and Wireless Caucuses. During his tenure he was selected to serve as delegate to numerous interparliamentary meetings involving both the EU and Caribbean organizations. He frequently appeared on television programs like "Crossfire" and "The O'Reilly Factor" discussing politics and policy.

Prior to being elected to Congress in 1992, Representative Wynn was a Maryland State Senator (1986-1992) and a Maryland State Delegate (1982-1986). From 1982 to 1992 he was a principal in the law office of Albert R. Wynn and Associates. Prior to that he served as executive director of the Prince George's County Consumer Protection Commission.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Representative Wynn is a member of the board of directors of the Pitt Alumni Council, a member of the Mentoring to Manhood Advisory Committee, a member of the Bowie State University Foundation Board, and a member of the Elizabeth Seton High School Foundation Board.

OUTSIDE THE FIRM

Representative Wynn enjoys swimming.

RECENT NEWS AND VIEWS

Publications

- Bipartisan Relationships Crucial as Congress Establishes Deficit Reduction "Super Committee", August 12, 2011
- Former House Intelligence Committee Chairman Hoekstra and Former Speaker Hastert Provide Insight on the Middle East Crisis and its Effects on Business Interests in the Region, February 3, 2011
- Chemical Security Update, March 13, 2009

Speaking Engagements

- 2014 Flexible Power Symposium, February 4-5, 2014
- Election Day Debrief by Former Members of Congress, Eighth Annual McGowan Forum on Communications, November 8, 2012
- Tire Industry Honors Awards Ceremony, October 29, 2012
- Keynote Conversation, Homeland Security and Defense Business Council 2010 Election and Homeland Security Policy, November 9, 2010
- The 2010 Election and Homeland Security Policy Briefing, November 9, 2010

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Public Policy
- Government Law & Strategy
- Energy