

Biography of Georgia State Representative Billy Mitchell

Georgia State Representative Billy Mitchell serves as the president of the National Black Caucus of State Legislators, elected by his peers to lead the 740-member organization of African-American State legislators from throughout the nation. Former members include a third of the current Congressional Black Caucus and the 44th U.S. President.

Overwhelmingly elected in 2002 to the Georgia General Assembly, he serves on some of its most powerful committees and is the author of many legislative acts signed into law. He also presently serves as Chair of the Georgia House Democratic Caucus.

Formerly vice-mayor of the City of Stone Mountain, he authored legislation permitting the erection of the “Freedom Bell” commemorating the exhortation to “let freedom ring, even from Stone Mountain of Georgia!” in Martin Luther King Jr.’s “I have a Dream” speech.

A frequent public speaker and writer, Billy is a contributor to the best-selling, *Keeping the Faith* by media personality, Tavis Smiley. The book was recognized as Best Literary Work at the nationally televised NAACP Image Awards.

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