

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative _____ Senator Redfern,
Donald B. - Represented: Board, Hawk County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 9 June 1945 Nebraska City, Nebraska

2. Marriage (s) date place

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business He was a member of Board of Directors for Cedar Valley Economic
Development Corporation 1987-1999, Cedar Lake Public Radio 1985-1987

B. Civic responsibilities Rotary; Amvets; Cedar Falls and
Naturalists Chamber of Commerce

C. Profession Attorney; teacher

4. Church membership Methodist

5. Sessions served 76th 77th 78th 79th 80th General Assemblies 1995-1996,
1997-1998; 1999-2000; 2001-2002, 2003-2004

6. Public Offices

A. Local _____

B. State He participated in the ISBA Volunteer Lawyers Project

C. National _____

7. Death _____

8. Children _____

9. Names of parents Leroy and Nancy Redfern

10. Education Graduate of the Cedar Falls High School, Cedar Falls, Iowa 1963.

11. Degrees B.A. from Carleton College in Economics, 1967; J. D. Degree Columbia University School of Law, 1973

12. Other applicable information Republican
- Military service - U.S. Army, 1969-1971
- He was an adjunct instructor at the University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls, Iowa



HELEN MILLER

HELEN MILLER* is a Democrat serving her first term in the Iowa House (District 49 in Webster County) and is an arts educator as well as a lawyer.

She earned a Bachelor of Arts in business

administration from Howard University, a Master of Science in library science from Our Lady of the Lake University and the Juris Doctorate from Georgetown University Law Center.

Helen lives in Fort Dodge where she is a member of the Area Symphony Board of Directors, Public Library Board of Trustees, Youth Shelter Care of North Central Iowa, Inc. Board of Directors, and Blanden Memorial Art Museum board.

She also serves on the Webster City-Fort Dodge Human Rights Commission and Webster City Crimestoppers.

She has two daughters, a son and a grandson.



JO OLDSON

JO OLDSON,* a former advisor to Governor Thomas Vilsack and first deputy Iowa insurance commissioner, lives in Des Moines (District 61 in Polk County). This is her first term in the Iowa House.

Jo was awarded the Bachelor of Arts and the Juris Doctorate by Drake University.

She has been an active fund raiser for United Way, is past president of Young Women's Resource Center Board of Directors and volunteers with the Big Brothers/Big Sisters Program and homeless shelter.

She is a Democrat.



KRAIG PAULSEN

KRAIG PAULSEN,* a first term member of the House, has a Bachelor's of Business Administration degree from Iowa State University and an M.B.A. from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University.

He is working on the Juris Doctorate at the University of Iowa College of Law.

Kraig represents District 35 in Linn County and is a Republican. He is employed as a production supervisor and lives in Cedar Rapids.

He was in the Air Force for 10 years, where he attended Officer Training School.

He has two sons and two daughters.



MIKE REASONER

MIKE REASONER* is a first term member of the Iowa House who received his Bachelor of Science degree and Juris Doctorate from Creighton University.

A Democrat, Mike represents District 95 (in Clarke, Decatur and Union Counties) from his Creston home where he is owner/operator of Reasoner Oil Company. He chairs the Region XIV Workforce Investment Board and serves on the board of Midwest Opportunities Corning-Creston.

He has been a Union County supervisor and is a member of Judicial District 5B Youth Shelter in Lamoni, the Union County Law Enforcement Commission, Crossroads Mental Health-Creston and Area 14 Agency on Aging.

He has a daughter and two sons.



DON REDFERN

DON REDFERN is a third term member of the Senate and represents District 10 in Black Hawk County. He is a Republican.

He is a partner in a law firm in Cedar Falls where he resides. He graduated with a

Bachelor of Arts in economics from Carleton College and the Juris Doctorate from Columbia University School of Law.

Don is a member of Cedar Valley Economic Development Corporation, Cedar Falls Amvets and Rotary. He participates in the ISBA Volunteer Lawyers Project. He served in the Army for two years.

He has one child.



DOUG STRUYK

DOUG STRUYK* is another first-term Democrat serving in the House. He represents District 99 in Pottawattamie County and lives in Council Bluffs where he practices and owns a small business.

Doug graduated from Iowa State University with a Bachelor of Science degree and from Creighton University with the Juris Doctorate.

He was chief of the Agricultural Diversification Bureau of the Iowa

Department of Agriculture. He is treasurer of the Iowa Professional Lawn Care Association and Iowa Turf Grass Institute.

Doug was vice president of Council Bluffs Trees Forever and West Pottawattamie County Extension Council.

He has a daughter.



KURT SWAIM

KURT SWAIM,* of Bloomfield, represents District 94 (in Appanoose, Davis and Wayne Counties) and is a first term Democrat in the House.

He is a graduate of Iowa Wesleyan where he received a bachelor's degree in economics and business administration and the University of Iowa College of Law where he received the Juris Doctorate.

Kurt was Davis County attorney and a member of the board and an officer of Citizens Mutual Telephone Company in Bloomfield.

He has four children and one grandchild.

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