

Biography

Name: Mark E. Amodei

Occupation: Member of Congress, Lawyer

Education:

- Carson High School – Class of 1976
- University of Nevada, Reno – Class of 1980
- McGeorge Law School, University of the Pacific – Class of 1983

Record of Service:

- Congressman Amodei served with the United States Army Judge Advocate General Corps from 1983 to 1987
 - Awards and honors: Army Achievement Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, and the Meritorious Service Medal
- Upon receiving an honorable discharge, Congressman Amodei returned home to become an attorney with the law firms of Allison, MacKenzie in Carson City from 1987 to 2004 and Kummer, Kaempfer, Bonner, Renshaw, and Ferrario (now Kaempfer Crowell) in Reno, Nevada from 2004 to 2007
- Served in the Nevada Assembly from 1996 to 1998 and in the Nevada State Senate from 1998 to 2010, representing the Capital District
- Served as the President of the Nevada Mining Association from 2007 to 2008
- Served as chairman of the Nevada Republican Party until May 2011, when he stepped down in order to pursue the Republican nomination for Congress
- Congressman Amodei was the Republican candidate for the special election held on September 13, 2011 to replace Dean Heller in Nevada's Second Congressional District
- 116th Congress Assignments: Congressman Amodei currently serves as a member of the Republican Whip Team and the House Appropriations Committee and its Subcommittees on the Interior, Environment & Related Agencies and Financial Services & General Government.

Committees & Caucuses:

- Postal Preservation Caucus, Problem Solvers Caucus, Public Broadcasting Caucus (Co-Chair), Cystic Fibrosis Caucus (Co-Chair), Italian-American Congressional Delegation (Co-Chair), Congressional Western Caucus (Vice Chair of Policy), Army Caucus, Travel & Tourism Caucus, Congressional Joint Strike Fighter Caucus, USO Caucus, and the Bipartisan Climate Solutions Caucus

Honors and Awards Received Since Elected: The 2020 Congressional Champion Award from the Corps Network, the 2020 Nevada Water Environment Association's (NWEA) Public Official of the Year Award, the 2019 Nevada Broadcasters Association President's Award, the NEMA 2018 Legislative Award, the 2017 USGS Coalition Leadership Award for supporting science that furthers the mission of the U.S. Geological Survey, the American Conservative Union Foundation's (ACUF) Award for Conservative Achievement for 2017 and lifetime voting records, the Spirit of Enterprise Award for a strong voting record in support of the business community, the Heroes of Main Street award in recognition of Members of Congress who support the retail industry's public policy priorities, the Guardian of Small Business Award for outstanding efforts to support small business issues, the National Guard Association of the United States' Charles Dick Medal of Merit, the Champion of the Merit Shop Eagle Award, the Family Research Council's True Blue Award for Members who have stood strong on faith, family, and freedom, the Award of Recognition for cosponsoring the Filipino American Veterans Fairness Act, the Medicare Advantage Champion Award, and recognition from the U.S. Farm Bureau for outstanding service.

Key Work for CD-2 Includes:

- **Public Lands:** Worked to get multiple public lands packages signed into law since elected, creating a total of 74,000 acres of wilderness across Nevada. Some of these packages include: The Nevada Native Nations Land Act, the Lyon County Economic Development and Conservation Act, and the Nevada Lands Bill Technical Corrections Act. Combined,

all of the public lands bills Congressman Amodei has introduced since elected include a total of 400,000 acres of wilderness designations;

- **Veterans:** Secured a memorial at Arlington National Cemetery for Vietnam helicopter pilots and crew members, successfully included an amendment to the FY 2014 Military Construction & Veterans Affairs Appropriations bill, which shifted \$44 million for mandatory overtime to the VA Regional Offices (VAROs) with the worst disability claims backlogs, and has consistently upheld his commitment to our veterans by voting to increase funding for veterans' services every year since elected;
- **Healthcare:** Consistently supported legislation to lower healthcare premiums, protect people with preexisting conditions, and increase access to quality and affordable care; and
- **Economy:** Supported landmark tax reform legislation that delivered widespread relief to Nevadans, simplified our tax filing system, and gave job creators increased potential for reinvestment and growth.

Since elected, Congressman Amodei has returned more than \$1 million from his office's Members' Representational Allowance (MRA) back to the U.S. Treasury.

Congressman Amodei lives in Carson City and has two adult daughters, Ryanne and Erin.