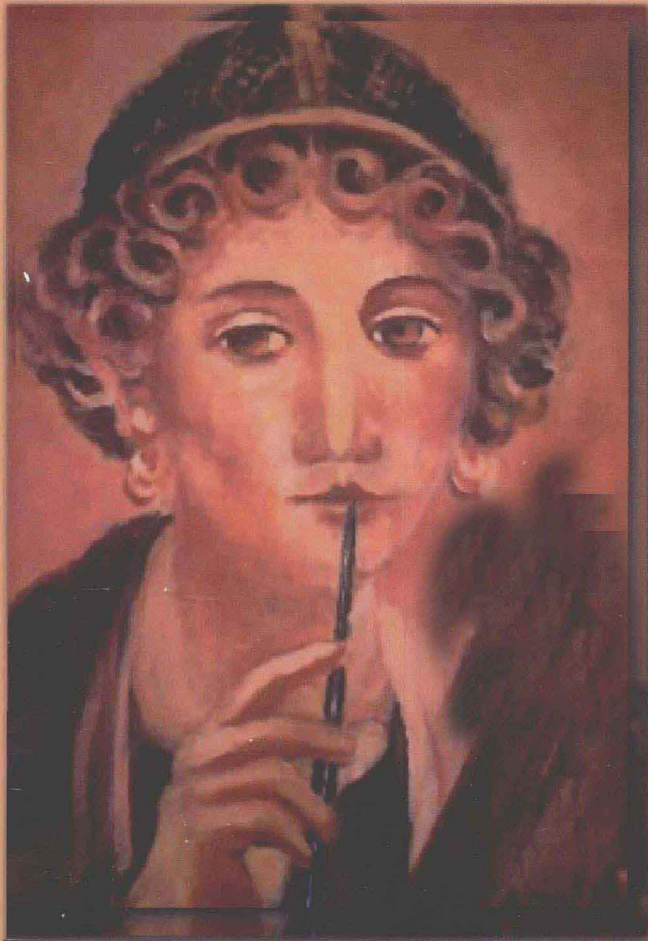


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PREFACE

There is no doubt women are making great strides in society - but from a very low base. They are vastly under-represented in political office, ignored in major health clinical trials and sniffed at by the President of Harvard University. Uphill or not, they fight on for equal representation in line with their percentage of the population. This book presents several chapters dealing with the issues from around the world. There appear to be many reasons for the difficulty of the climb ranging from many women's unwillingness to fight the system, men's self-interest in excluding them and the nontrivial aspects of trying to jam careers which take many hours into schedules already filled with tasks related to being mothers, wives, money-earners and advisors. The societal system has also instilled a certain lack of confidence in many women stemming from the roles women are 'supposed to play' according to tradition. This book deals with these and related issues by presenting the achievements, the risks, and the challenges in a constantly-changing world.

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Chapter 1

WOMEN IN THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS: 1917-2001

Mildred L. Amer

ABSTRACT

A record 75 women serve in the 107th Congress: 62 in the House (44 Democrats and 18 Republicans) and 13 in the Senate (10 Democrats and 3 Republicans). On November 9, 1916, Jeanette Rankin (R-MT) became the first woman elected to Congress. Rebecca Latimer Felton (D-GA) was the first woman to serve in the Senate, She was appointed in 1922 and served for only one day.

A total of 209 women have served in Congress, 135 Democrats and 74 Republicans. Of these women, 178 have served only in the House; 24 have served only in the Senate; and seven have served in both houses. The figures include one Delegate each from Hawaii, the District of Columbia, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Of the 185 women who have served in the House, 35 were elected to fill vacancies caused by the death of their husbands. Fifteen of the 35 were subsequently elected to additional terms. Eighteen women have been elected to fill other vacancies caused by death or resignation. Of the 18, one woman was elected to fill the vacancy caused by the death of another woman.

Edith Nourse Rogers (R-MA), who served in the House for 35 years, holds the record for length of service by a woman in Congress. Margaret Chase Smith (R-ME) was the first woman elected to the House and Senate, and her combined congressional service was 33 years.

Of the 31 women who have served in the Senate, 12 were first appointed; and five were first elected to fill unexpired terms. Nine were chosen to fill vacancies caused by the death of their husbands. Of the nine, two were subsequently elected to additional terms. Hattie Caraway (D-AR) was the first of the 17 women who have been elected to full six-year Senate terms.

A total of 22 black women have served in Congress, including a record number of 15 in the House 107th Congress. Six Hispanic women have been elected to the House; all are

serving in the 107th Congress. Two Asian-American women have served in the House, including one in the 107th Congress.

Patsy Mink (D-HI; 1965-1977, 1990-present) is the first Asian American woman to serve in Congress, and Ileana Ros-Lehtinen (R-FL; 1989-present) is the first Hispanic woman to serve. Carol Moseley-Braun (D-IL; 1993-1999) was the only Black woman and Black Democrat to serve in the Senate.

Ten women Representatives and two women Senators have chaired congressional committees.

This chapter identifies the committee assignments, dates of service, and (for Representatives) districts of the 209 women Members of Congress.

WOMEN IN THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS

Two hundred nine women have been elected or appointed to the U.S. Congress. Jeanette Rankin (R-MT) has the distinction of being the first woman elected to serve in Congress. On November 9, 1916, she was elected to the House of Representatives as Montana's Representative-at-Large to the 65th Congress (1917-1919).¹ Since that time, 208 other women have served in Congress.

A record 75 women serve in the 107th Congress; 62 in the House (44 Democrats and 18 Republicans), and 13 in the Senate (ten Democrats and three Republicans).

Of the 209 women who have served in Congress, 178 have served only in the House of Representatives; 24 have served only in the Senate; and seven have served in both houses.² One hundred thirty-five have been Democrats, and 74 have been Republicans.

Edith Nourse Rogers (R-MA) holds the record for length of service by a woman in Congress (35 years). She was elected to fill the vacancy caused by the death of her husband, John Jacob Rogers (R-MA, 1913-1925). Mrs. Rogers served in the House from June 25, 1925, until her death on September 10, 1960.

Women Representatives

Of the 185 women who have served in the House, 35 were elected to fill vacancies caused by the death of their husbands.³ Fifteen of the 35 were subsequently elected to additional terms. Eighteen women have been elected to fill other vacancies caused by death or resignation. Of these, Nancy Pelosi (D-CA, 1987-) was first elected to fill the vacancy caused

¹ Reps. Rankin (R-MT) and Patsy Mink (D-HI,) are the only female Members to have served non-consecutive terms. Rep. Rankin served from 1917-1919 and from 1941-1943. Rep. Rankin was also the only Member of Congress to vote against America's entry into both World Wars. Rep. Mink served from 1965-1977. She is also a Member of the 107th Congress, having served since September 1990, when she was seated following a special election.

² These numbers include one Delegate from Hawaii, one from the District of Columbia, and one from the U.S. Virgin Islands.

³ This number includes Reps. Lois Capps (D-CA) and Mary Bono (R-CA), both first elected to the 105th Congress in 1998, and Rep. Jo Ann Emerson (R-MO), first elected to the 104th Congress in 1996.

by the death of another woman, Sala Burton (D-CA, 1983-1987). Four additional women have directly succeeded other women by defeating them or being elected to open seats.⁴

Women Senators

Rebecca Latimer Felton (D-GA) was the first woman to serve in the Senate. She was appointed in 1922 to fill the unexpired term of a Senator who had died in office. In addition to being the first female Senator, Ms. Felton holds two other Senate records. Her tenure in the Senate remains the shortest ever (one day), and at the age of 87, she was the oldest person ever to begin Senate service.

Besides Ms. Felton, 30 other women, including the 13 in the 107th Congress, have served in the Senate. Of these 31 women, 13 were initially appointed to the Senate. Five, including Dianne Feinstein (D-CA), elected in 1992, and Kay Bailey Hutchison (R-TX), elected in 1993, were first elected to fill unexpired terms. Two of the women were first elected and seven were first appointed to fill vacancies caused by the death of their husbands, including Jean Carnahan (D-MO), who was appointed to the 107th Congress to fill the vacancy caused by her husband's posthumous election to the Senate.⁵

One woman, Senator Elaine Edwards (D-IA), was appointed in 1972 by her husband, then-Governor Edwin Edwards, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Senator Allen Ellender (D-LA, 1937-1972). Another woman, Eva Bowring (R-NE, 1954), who had been appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Senator Dwight Griswold (R-NE, 1952-1954), was succeeded by another woman, Hazel Abel (R-NE, 1954), who was elected to fill the remaining months of Senator Griswold's term.

Nancy Landon Kassebaum (R-KS, 1979-1997) was the first of the seven women elected to the Senate without first having been elected to the House or having been elected or appointed to fill an unexpired Senate term. The others are Susan Collins (R-ME), Mary Landrieu (D-LA), Patty Murray (D-WA), and Hillary Rodham Clinton (D-NY), all Members of the 107th Congress, as well as Carol Moseley-Braun (D-IL, 1993-1999) and Paula Hawkins (R-FL, 1981-1987).

Four states (California, Kansas, Maine, and Washington) have been represented by women Senators serving in the same Congress. In the 107th Congress, Barbara Boxer and Dianne Feinstein represent California; Susan Collins and Olympia Snowe represent Maine, and Patti Murray and Maria Cantwell represent Washington. In the 104th Congress, Nancy Landon Kassebaum and Sheila Frahm represented Kansas.

Hattie Caraway (D-AR) was the first of the 17 women to be elected to a full six-year Senate term. She was first appointed in 1931 to fill the vacancy caused by the death of her husband, Thaddeus H. Caraway (D-AR, House, 1913-1921; Senate, 1921-1931), and then was subsequently elected to two six-year terms. She served until January 1945. The other women elected to six-year terms are Barbara Mikulski (D-MD), Barbara Boxer (D-CA), Kay Bailey Hutchison (R-TX), Patty Murray (D-WA), Olympia Snowe (R-ME), Mary Landrieu

⁴ Rep. Enid Greene (R-UT, 1995-1997) defeated Rep. Karen Shepherd (D-UT, 1993-1995), Rep. Linda Smith (R-WA, 1995-1999) defeated Rep. Jolene Unsoeld (D-WA, 1989-1995), Rep. Carolyn Cheeks Kilpatrick (D-MI, 1997-) defeated Rep. Barbara-Rose Collins (D-MI, 1991-1997), and Rep. Diana DeGette (D-CO, 1997-) succeeded Rep. Patricia Schroeder (D-CO, 1973-1997).

⁵ Two of the nine were subsequently elected to additional terms.

(D-LA), Susan Collins (R-ME), Blanche Lincoln (D-AK), Hillary Rodham Clinton (D-NY), Debbie Stabenow (D-MI), Maria Cantwell (D-WA), Margaret Chase Smith (R-ME), Maurine Neuberger (D-OR), Nancy Landon Kassebaum (R-KS, 1978-1997), Paula Hawkins (R-FL, 1981-1987), and Carol Moseley-Braun (D-IL, 1993-1999).

Women who have Served in Both Houses

Margaret Chase Smith (R-ME) was the first woman to serve in both houses of Congress, as well as the first woman elected to the Senate without first having been elected or appointed to fill a vacant Senate seat. Senator Smith was first elected to the House to fill the vacancy caused by the death of her husband (R-ME, 1937-1940), and served from June 10, 1940, until January 3, 1949, when she began her Senate service. When Mrs. Smith left the Senate on January 3, 1973, she had served there longer than any other woman. Her 24 years of service is still a record for Senate service by a woman.

Barbara Mikulski, Barbara Boxer, Olympia Snowe, Blanche Lincoln, Debbie Stabenow, and Maria Cantwell are the other women who have served in both houses. Senator Mikulski was a Member of the House from 1977-1987, Senator Boxer from 1983-1993, Senator Snowe from 1979-1995, Senator Lincoln from 1993-1997, Senator Stabenow from 1997-2001, and Senator Cantwell from 1993-1995. All are Members of the 107th Congress, and all but Senators Lincoln and Cantwell were elected while still serving in the House.

Women Committee Chairs

Twelve women have chaired congressional committees. During the 104th Congress, a record three women chaired committees. They were Nancy Landon Kassebaum, chair of the Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee; Jan Meyers (R-KS, 1985-1997), chair of the House Small Business Committee; and Nancy Johnson (R-CT, 1983-present), chair of the House Committee on Standards of Official Conduct. Others who have chaired committees include Senator Hattie Caraway (D-AK, 1931-1945) and Representatives Edith Nourse Rogers (R-MA, 1925-1960), Mae Ella Nolan (R-CA, 1923-1925), Mary T. Norton (D-NJ, 1925-1951), Caroline L. O'Day (D-NY, 1935-1943), Leonor K. Sullivan (D-MO, 1953-1977), Martha W. Griffiths (D-MI, 1955-1974), Yvonne Burke (D-CA, 1973-1979), and Patricia Schroeder (D-CO, 1973-1997).

Black Women in Congress

A record number of 15 black women serve in the House in the 107th Congress. A total of 22 black women have served in Congress. The first was Representative Shirley Chisholm (D-NY, 1969-1983). Senator Carol Moseley-Braun (D-IL, 1993-1999) is only black woman to have served in the Senate. The black women Members of the 107th Congress include Representatives Maxine Waters (D-CA), Eleanor Holmes Norton (D-DC), Carrie Meek (D-FL), Corinne Brown (D-FL), Cynthia McKinney (D-FL), Eva Clayton (D-NC), Eddie Bernice Johnson (D-TX), Sheila Jackson Lee (D-TX), Barbara Lee (D-CA), Juanita Millender-McDonald (D-CA), Julia Carson (D-IN), Carolyn Cheeks Kilpatrick (D-MI), Donna

Christian- Christensen (D-VI), Stephanie Tubbs Jones (D-OH), and Diane Watson (D-CA). Other black women Members were Cardiss Collins (D-IL, 1973-1997), Barbara-Rose Collins (D-MI, 1991-1997), Yvonne Brathwaite Burke (D-CA, 1973-1979), Katie Hall (D-IN, 1982-1985), and Barbara Jordan (D-TX, 1973-1979).

Asian American Women in Congress

Patsy Mink (D-HI) is the first of two Asian Pacific American women to have served in Congress. A Member of the 107th Congress, Representative Mink first served in the House from 1965-1977. Her present service began in 1990. The other Asian-American woman was Patricia Saiki (R-HI), who served in the House from 1987-1991.

Hispanic Women in Congress

Ileana Ros-Lehtinen (R-FL), elected in 1989, is the first of the six Hispanic women, as well as the first Cuban-American, to serve in Congress. Nydia Velazquez (D-NY), elected in 1992, is the first Puerto Rican-born woman to serve in Congress. Lucille Roybal-Allard, also elected in 1992, is the first Mexican-American woman to serve. Loretta Sanchez (D-CA), elected in 1996, Grace Napolitano (D-CA), elected in 1998, and Hilda Solis (D-CA) are the other female Hispanic Members, and all six are Members of the 107th Congress.

Women Members whose Relatives Served in Congress

Husbands

While in Congress, four women married other Members of the same Congress.⁶ Three other women Members married Members with whom they had not served and whom they did not directly succeed.⁷

Representative Ruth McCormick (R-IL, 1929-1931) twice was married to Members of Congress. She was married to Representative and Senator Medill McCormick (R-IL, House, 1917-1919, Senate, 1919-1925) prior to becoming a Member of Congress. Medill McCormick died while serving in the Senate. Subsequently, Ms. McCormick was elected to Congress, and she and Representative Albert Gallatin Simms (R-NM, 1929-1931), with

⁶ Rep. Susan Molinari (R-NY, 1990-1997) married Rep. Bill Faxon (R-NY, 1989-1999) in 1994, and Rep. Martha Keys (D-KS, 1975-1979) married Rep. Andrew Jacobs (D-IN, 1965-1973, 1975-1997) in 1975. All were serving in Congress at the time of their marriages. Sen. Olympia Snowe (R-ME, House, 1979-1995, Senate, 1995-) married former Rep. John McKernan, Jr. (R-ME, 1983-1987) in 1989 after he left Congress and while he was the Governor of Maine and she was in the House. They served together in the House for four years. Sen. Nancy Landon Kassebaum (R-KS, 1978-1997) married former Sen. Howard Baker (R-TN, 1967-1985) in 1996 after he left office and while she was still in the Senate. They had served together for six years.

⁷ Rep. Katherine Langley (R-KY, 1927-1931) was preceded in the House by her husband, Rep. John Langley (R-KY, 1907-1926); Rep. Leonor Sullivan (D-MO, 1953-1977) was preceded in the House by her husband, Rep. John Sullivan (D-MO, 1941-1943, 1945-1947, and 1949-1951); and Rep. Marjorie Margoh'es-Mezvinsky (D-PA, 1993-1995) was preceded in the House by her husband, former Rep. Ed Mezvinsky (D-IA, 1973-1977).

whom she had served, were married after they both had left Congress. Finally, Representative Emily Taft Douglas (D-IL, 1945-1947) preceded her husband, Senator Paul Douglas (D-IL, 1949-1967), in Congress.

Fathers

Representative Ruth McCormick, discussed above, was also the daughter of Senator Marcus Hanna (R-OH, 1897-1904). Two women have been elected to complete the House terms of their fathers. Winnifred Mason Huck (R-IL, 1922- 1923) was elected to fill the vacancy caused by the death of her father, William E. Mason (R-IL, House, 1887-1891, Senate, 1897-1903, House, 1917-1921); and Susan Molinari (R-NY, 1990-1997) was elected to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of her father, Guy Molinari (R-NY, 1981-1990).

Nine other women Members of the House have had fathers who served as Representatives. These include three current Members, Lucille Roybal-Allard (D- CA), daughter of Representative Edward Roybal (D-CA, 1963-1993), Nancy Pelosi (D-CA), daughter of Representative Thomas D'Alesandro (D-MD, 1939-1947), and Shelley Moore Capito (R-WV), daughter of Representative Arch A. Moore (D-WV, 1957-1969).⁸

Sons

Four women Representatives had sons who served in Congress. Of these women, only Frances Bolton (R-OH, 1940-1969) served simultaneously with her son, Representative Oliver Bolton (R-OH, 1953-1957, 1963-1965). The other women were Katharine Byron (D-MD, 1941-1943), mother of Representative Goodloe Byron (D-MD, 1971-1978); Maude Kee (D-WV, 1951-1965), mother of Representative James Kee (D-WV, 1965-1973); and Irene Baker (R-TN, 1964-1965), stepmother of Senator Howard Baker (R-TN, 1967-1985).

Grandfathers

Three Congresswomen were granddaughters of former Members. They were Frances Bolton, granddaughter of Representative and Senator Henry Payne (D-OH, House, 1875-1877, Senate, 1885-1891); Katharine Byron, granddaughter of Representative and Senator Louis McComas (R-MD, House, 1883-1891, Senate, 1889-1905); and Louise Reece (R-TN, 1961-1963), granddaughter of Representative and Senator Nathan Goff (R-WV, House, 1883-1889, Senate, 1913-1919).

⁸ The others were Rep. Katherine Langley (R-KY, 1927-1931), daughter of Rep. James Gudger, Jr. (D-NC, 1903-1907, 1911-1915); Rep. Ruth McCormick (R-IL, 1929-1931), daughter of Sen. Marcus Hanna (R-OH, 1897-1904); Rep. Ruth Owen (D-FL), daughter of Rep. William Jennings Bryan (D-NE, 1891-1895) Rep. Louise Reece (R-TN, 1961-1963), daughter of Sen. Guy Goff (R-WV, 1925-1931), Rep. Elizabeth Patterson (D-SC, 1987- 1993), daughter of Sen. Olin Johnston (D-SC, 1945-1965)and Rep. Clare Boothe Luce (R- CT, 1943-1947), stepdaughter of Rep. Elmer Austin (R-CT, 1939-1941).

DATA⁹

The list and tables that follow provide information on women Members of Congress, including the dates they were first elected, the Congresses in which they served, the committees on which they served, and an indication, where relevant, of the committees they have chaired.

Most of the data presented are from *the Biographical Directory of the American Congress, 1774-1996* [<http://bioguide.congress.gov>]; various editions of the *Congressional Directory*; a broad range of *Congressional Quarterly* publications; and *Congressional Yellowbook*, Winter 2001, published by Leadership Directories, Inc. Information on the committee assignments of the women in the 107th Congress was obtained from various editions of the *Congressional Record*; *List of Standing Committees and Select Committees and Their Subcommittees of the House of Representatives Together with the Joint Committees of the Congress with an Alphabetical List of Members and Their Committee Assignments, One Hundred Seventh Congress*, prepared under the direction of Jeff Trandahl, Clerk of the House of Representatives, April 30, 2001 (available online from the Clerk's Web site at [<http://clerkweb.house.gov/107/oal.php3mbrcmtee/mbrcmtee/htm>]); and *The Senate of the United States Committee and Subcommittee Assignments for the One Hundred and Seventh Congress*, prepared under the direction of Gary Sisco, Secretary of the Senate, August 2, 2001 (available online from the Secretary's Web site at [http://www.senate.gov/legislative/legis_act_committee_assignments.html]). House committee assignments for the 107th Congress reflect the name change of two committees. The Committee on Banking and Financial Services was renamed the Committee on Financial Services, and the Commerce Committee was renamed the Committee on Energy and Commerce. Senate committee assignments reflect the name change of the Senate Committee on Small Business to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

House committee assignments for the 106th Congress reflect the name change of the Committee on House Oversight back to the Committee on House Administration, the Committee on National Security back to the Committee on Armed Services, and the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight to the Committee on Government Reform. Senate committee assignments reflect the name change of the Senate Committee on Labor and Human Resources to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions in the 106th Congress.

⁹ Note: Prior to the adoption of the Twentieth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, effective October 15, 1933, the terms of Representatives and Senators began on March 4, in conformance with a resolution of the Continental Congress implementing the Constitution (adopted September 13, 1788). The Twentieth Amendment provides inter alia that the terms of Representatives and Senators shall commence at noon on January 3, in the year following their election. The first Congress affected by the Twentieth Amendment was the 74th (1935- 1937). However, Congress sometimes sets a date other than January 3 for commencement of a new Congress; thus, in this report, dates sworn in are sometimes later than January 3 for Members elected in the general election. In addition, Members elected to fill a vacancy are sworn in and commence their terms as soon as possible, as do Senators appointed to fill a vacancy.

Alphabetical Listing

ABEL, HAZEL HEMPEL. Republican; Nebraska, Senator. Elected to the 83rd Congress November 2, 1954, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Senator Dwight P. Griswold and filled in the interim by Eva Bowring; sworn in and seated November 8, 1954; resigned December 31, 1954.

Committee Assignments	Congress
S. Finance	83 rd
S. Interstate and Foreign Commerce	83 rd

ABZUG, BELLA S. Democrat; New York, 19th Congressional District (92nd Congress) and 20th Congressional District (93rd-94th Congresses). Elected to the 92nd Congress November 3, 1970; sworn in and seated January 21, 1971; reelected to the 93rd-94th Congresses; term expired January 3, 1977.

Committee Assignment	Congress
H. Government Operations	92 nd -94 th
H. Public Works	92 nd -94 th

ALLEN, MARYON PITTMAN. Democrat; Alabama, Senator. Appointed to the 95th Congress June 8, 1978, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of her husband, James B. Allen; sworn in and seated June 12, 1978; term expired January 3, 1979.

Committee Assignments	Congress
S. Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry	95 th
S. Judiciary	95 th

ANDREWS, ELIZABETH B. Democrat; Alabama, 3rd Congressional District. Elected to the 92nd Congress in a special election held April 4, 1972, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of her husband, George W. Andrews; sworn in and seated April 10, 1972; term expired January 3, 1973.

Committee Assignments	Congress
H. Post Office and Civil Service	92 nd

ASHBROOK, JEAN. Republican; Ohio, 17th Congressional District. Elected to the 97th Congress in a special election held June 29, 1982, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of her husband, John Milan Ashbrook; sworn in and seated July 12, 1982; term expired January 3, 1983.

Committee Assignments	Congress
H. Merchant Marine and Fisheries	97 th

BAKER, IRENE BAILEY. Republican; Tennessee, 2nd Congressional District. Elected to the 88th Congress in a special election held March 10, 1964, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of her husband, Howard H. Baker, Sr.; sworn in and seated March 10, 1964; term expired January 3, 1965.

Committee Assignments
H. Government Operations

Congress
88th

BAKER, NANCY KASSEBAUM. See KASSEBAUM, NANCY LANDON.

BALDWIN, TAMMY. Democrat; Wisconsin, 2nd Congressional District. Elected to the 106th Congress November 2, 1998; sworn in and seated January 3, 1999; reelected to the 107th Congress.

Committee Assignments
H. Budget
H. Judiciary

Congress
106th-107th
106th-107th

BENTLEY, HELEN DELICH. Republican; Maryland, 2nd Congressional District. Elected to the 99th Congress November 6, 1984; sworn in and seated January 3, 1985; reelected to the 100th-103rd Congresses; term expired January 3, 1995.

Committee Assignments
H. Merchant Marine and Fisheries
H. Public Works and Transportation
H. Select Aging
H. Budget
H. Appropriations

Congress
99th-103rd
99th-100th, 102nd
99th-102nd
101st-102nd
103rd

BERKLEY, SHELLEY. Democrat; Nevada, 1st Congressional District. Elected to the 106th Congress November 2, 1998; sworn in and seated January 3, 1999; reelected to the 107th Congress.

Committee Assignments
H. Transportation and Infrastructure
H. Veterans' Affairs
H. Small Business
H. International Relations

Congress
106th-107th
106th-107th
106th
107th

BIGGERT, JUDY. Republican; Illinois, 13th Congressional District. Elected to the 106th Congress November 2, 1998; sworn in and seated January 3, 1999; reelected to the 107th Congress.

Committee Assignments	Congress
H. Banking and Financial Services	106 th
H. Financial Services	107 th
H. Government Reform	106 th
H. Science	106 th -107 th
H. Education and the Workforce	107 th
H. Committee on Standards of Official Conduct	107 th

BLITCH, IRIS FAIRCLOTH. Democrat; Georgia, 8th Congressional District. Elected to the 84th Congress November 2, 1954; sworn in and seated January 5, 1955; reelected to the 85th-87th Congresses; term expired January 3, 1963.

Committee Assignments	Congress
H. Public Works	84 th -87 th

BOGGS, CORINNE C. (LINDY). Democrat; Louisiana, 2nd Congressional District. Elected to the 93rd Congress in a special election held March 20, 1973, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of her husband, Thomas Hale Boggs, Sr.; sworn in and seated March 27, 1973; reelected to the 94th-101st Congresses; term expired January 3, 1991.

Committee Assignments	Congress
H. Banking and Currency	93 rd
H. Banking, Currency, and Housing	94 th
H. House Administration	94 th
H. Appropriations	95 th -101 st
H. Select Children, Youth, and Families	99 th -101 st
Jt. Committee on Bicentennial Arrangements (committee chair)	94 th
Commission of the Bicentenary of the U.S. House (chair)	99 th -100 th

BOLAND, VERONICA GRACE. Democrat; Pennsylvania, 11th Congressional District. Elected to the 77th Congress, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of her husband, Patrick J. Boland; sworn in and seated November 19, 1942; term expired January 3, 1943.

Committee Assignments	Congress
None listed	77 th

BOLTON, FRANCES PAYNE. Republican; Ohio, 22nd Congressional District. Elected to the 76th Congress in a special election held February 27, 1940, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of her husband, Chester C. Bolton; sworn in and seated March 5, 1940; reelected to the 77th-90th Congresses; term expired January 3, 1969.

Committee Assignments	Congress
H. Election of President, Vice President, and Representatives in Congress	76 th
H. Expenditures in Executive Departments	76 th
H. Foreign Affairs	77 th -90 th

BONO, MARY. Republican; California, 44th Congressional District. Elected to the 105th Congress in a special election held on April 7, 1998, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of her husband, Sonny Bono; sworn in and seated April 20, 1998; reelected to the 106th-107th Congresses.

Committee Assignments	Congress
House Judiciary	105 th -106 th
House National Security	105 th
House Armed Services	106 th
House Small Business	106 th
H. Energy and Commerce	107 th

BOSONE, REVA ZILPHA BECK. Democrat; Utah, 2nd Congressional District. Elected to the 81st Congress November 2, 1948; sworn in and seated January 3, 1949; reelected to the 82nd Congress; term expired January 3, 1953.

Committee Assignments	Congress
H. Public Lands	81 st
H. Administration	82 nd
H. Interior and Insular Affairs	82 nd

BOWRING, EVA KELLY. Republican; Nebraska, Senator. Appointed to the 83rd Congress April 16, 1954, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Senator Dwight P. Griswold; sworn in and seated April 16, 1954; term ended November 8, 1954, after the election to fill Senator Griswold's unexpired term.

Committee Assignments	Congress
S. Interstate and Foreign Commerce	83 rd
S. Labor and Public Welfare	83 rd
S. Post Office and Civil Service	83 rd

BOXER, BARBARA. Democrat; California, 6th Congressional District. Elected to the 98th Congress November 2, 1982; sworn in and seated January 3, 1983; reelected to the 99th-102nd Congresses. Ms. Boxer was subsequently elected to the Senate on November 3, 1992; sworn in and seated January 5, 1993. She was reelected to the Senate in 1998. Served as a Senate deputy majority whip in the 103rd Congress.

Committee Assignments	Congress
H. Merchant Marine and Fisheries	98 th
H. Government Operations	98 th -102 nd
H. Budget	99 th -101 st
H. Select Children, Youth, and Families	99 th -102 nd
H. Armed Services	102 nd
S. Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs	103 rd -105 th
S. Budget	103 rd -106 th
S. Environment and Public Works	103 rd -107 th

Committee Assignments	Congress
S. Appropriations	105 th
S. Foreign Relations	106 th -107 th
S. Commerce, Science, and Transportation	107 th

BROWN, CORRINE. Democrat; Florida, 3rd Congressional District. Elected to the 103rd Congress November 3, 1992; sworn in and seated January 5, 1993; reelected to the 104th-107th Congresses.

Committee Assignments	Congress
H. Government Operations	103 rd
H. Public Works and Transportation	103 rd
H. Transportation and Infrastructure	104 th -107 th
H. Veterans' Affairs	103 rd -107 th

BUCHANAN, VERA DAERR. Democrat; Pennsylvania, 30th Congressional District. Elected to the 82nd Congress in a special election held July 24, 1951, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of her husband, Frank Buchanan; sworn in and seated August 1, 1951; reelected to the 83rd-84th Congresses; died in office November 26, 1955.

Committee Assignments	Congress
H. Merchant Marine and Fisheries	82 nd , 1 st Sess.
H. Veterans' Affairs	82 nd , 1 st Sess.
H. Public Works	82 nd , 2 nd Sess.-83 rd
H. Banking and Currency	84 th

BURDICK, JOCELYN BIRCH. Democrat; North Dakota, Senator. Appointed to the 102nd Congress September 12, 1992, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of her husband Quentin Burdick; sworn in and seated September 16, 1992; term expired December 4, 1992, with the election of Kent Conrad to the vacancy she filled.

Committee Assignments	Congress
S. Environment and Public Works	102 nd

BURKE, YVONNE BRATHWAITE. Democrat; California, 37th Congressional District. Elected to the 93rd Congress November 7, 1972; sworn in and seated January 3, 1973; reelected to the 94th-95th Congresses; term expired January 3, 1979.

Committee Assignments	Congress
H. Public Works	93 rd
H. Interior and Insular Affairs	93 rd
H. Appropriations	94 th -95 th
H. Select Committee on the House Beauty Shop (committee chair)	94 th -95 th