



## **Speaker Biographies**

### **Congressman Andy Kim, Democratic Candidate**

Congressman Andy Kim was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in 2018. He represents the Third Congressional District of New Jersey, which stretches from the Delaware River to the Atlantic Ocean encompassing most of Burlington County and parts of Ocean County.

Congressman Kim grew up in South Jersey, the proud son of Korean immigrants. His father and mother raised Andy and his sister in South Jersey because of the top notch public school system and safe communities. Andy attended public K-12 schools and credits the quality of his education with helping him become a Rhodes Scholar and leading national security expert.

Andy is a dedicated public servant, who believes service is a way of life. He worked as a career public servant under both Democrats and Republicans, and served at the Pentagon, State Department, the White House National Security Council, and in Afghanistan as an advisor to Generals Petraeus and Allen.

He currently lives in Burlington county with his wife and two baby boys

### **David Richter, Republican Candidate**

David Richter is the Republican nominee for New Jersey's Third Congressional District in the U.S. House of Representatives. David is the former Chief Executive Officer of Hill International, a New York Stock Exchange-listed global professional services firm that provides construction management services on building and infrastructure projects worldwide. He believes that the citizens of the Third District deserve a representative in Congress who will work hard for smaller government, lower taxes and secure borders, and who will fight to protect their constitutional rights.

A lifelong Republican, David grew up in and has spent most of his life living and working in South Jersey. He attended public schools in Willingboro and Cherry Hill and graduated from Cherry Hill High School East. He went on to earn five degrees—his B.S. in management, his B.S.E. in civil engineering and his J.D. from the University of Pennsylvania, his M.Sc. in major program management from the University of Oxford, and his M.P.A. from Harvard University. While at Harvard, David served as Executive Editor of the Harvard Journal of Law & Public Policy, the nation's leading journal for conservative and libertarian legal scholarship and the official publication of The Federalist Society.

David began his career practicing law at the New York City office of Weil, Gotshal & Manges, one of the largest and most prestigious law firms in the world. In 1995, however, he returned to South Jersey to join Hill International, then a struggling family business that was on the brink of bankruptcy. David's hard work helped turn the company around and grow it into one of the largest firms of its kind in the world. Over his 22-year career at Hill, David rose from General

Counsel to Group President to Chief Operating Officer and eventually to Chief Executive Officer. During that time, Hill grew from a private firm with less than 300 employees to a global public company with more than 4,300 employees. David knows how to create jobs and knows the challenges faced by entrepreneurs and small business owners who are trying to grow their companies.

The majority of Hill's business has been serving the public sector—managing the construction of infrastructure and other public works projects that have a positive impact on the communities in which they are built. Hill has managed the construction of schools, hospitals, libraries, museums and courthouses. It has managed the construction of highways, bridges, airports, rail and other infrastructure projects that support global travel, trade and commerce. It has managed the development of renewable energy projects and overseen the cleanup of hazardous waste in order to help keep our environment as clean as possible. And it has helped when natural or manmade events necessitated large-scale recovery efforts, such as in response to hurricanes Katrina and Sandy, rebuilding in post-war Iraq and Afghanistan, and reconstructing the World Trade Center after the terrorist attacks on September 11th.

Under David's leadership, Hill successfully managed thousands of projects including some of the largest and most complex construction projects in the world. These included the Bronx County Hall of Justice in New York City, the Frost Museum of Science in Miami, the Grand Egyptian Museum in Cairo, the Los Angeles Metro's Gold Line extension, expansion of NASA's Langley Research Center in Virginia, the renovation of New York City Hall, the No. 7 Line Subway extension in New York City, the Palm Island development in Dubai, the Qatar National Museum in Doha and the modernization of the U.S. Supreme Court Building in Washington, DC, to name just a few.

Hill's very first project nearly 40 years ago was the Tropicana Hotel and Casino in Atlantic City. Other projects in the region managed by the company include the Battleship USS New Jersey Museum and Memorial in Camden, the FirstEnergy Park minor-league baseball stadium in Lakewood, and the Comcast Center skyscraper, the National Constitution Center and the Liberty Bell Pavilion in Philadelphia. Because of its outstanding performance on these and other projects, Hill received more than 100 awards for project excellence during David's leadership at the company.

David has also volunteered his time in support of various civic and professional organizations. He is a board member of Princeton Day School and a former board member of the Southern New Jersey Development Council, the Chamber of Commerce for Greater Philadelphia, and the Construction Management Association of America. He is also a member of the Young Presidents' Organization, the premier global leadership organization for chief executives to engage, learn and grow.

David has been named to "40 Under 40" lists of outstanding young professionals by Business News/New Jersey magazine (2002), the Philadelphia Business Journal (2005) and Building Design + Construction magazine (2006). From 2003 to 2004, he served as a David Rockefeller Fellow, an honor bestowed by The Partnership for New York City in order to enable the next generation of private sector leaders to deepen their understanding of the city's municipal government and to take a more active role in shaping its future. In 2007, David received the Global Excellence Award from the Society of Indo-American Engineers and Architects of New York. In 2012, he was named a Fellow of the Construction Management Association of America. In 2014, he was named by SNJ Business People magazine as one of South Jersey's Executives of the Year. In 2016, he was named a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Building. David received two awards from the American Society of Civil Engineers—the 2017 Excellence in Management Award from ASCE's New Jersey Section and the 2018 Construction Management Award "for his service to the global construction management industry and his executive leadership in building Hill International into the largest independent construction management firm in the world."

David and his wife Michelle have been married for 20 years and have four daughters.