



Rep. Sheila Jones
District 60

Biography

Representative Sheila Jones was sworn into office on January 10, 2005, to represent portions of Fulton and Cobb counties in Georgia. Rep. Jones serves as Deputy Whip of the House Democratic Caucus. She currently serves as Secretary of the Judiciary Juvenile Committee. She also serves on the Appropriations Subcommittee on Higher Education, Health, Transportation and Ways & Means committees. During her time in the House, Rep. Jones has served as the vice-chair of the Atlanta Delegation, vice-chair of the House Transportation Subcommittee on Rail, parliamentarian, secretary and treasurer of the Georgia Legislative Black Caucus and secretary of the Working Families Caucus. Currently, she serves as secretary for the Women's Legislative Caucus.

Before serving in the Georgia House of Representatives, Rep. Jones worked for Lockheed Martin Company, where she was an active member of the International Association of Machinists & Aerospace Workers AFL-CIO Local Lodge 709. In the Local 709, she held several leadership positions, including shop steward, grand lodge convention delegate, women's convention delegate and bylaws committee chair. She also served on the legislative committee and executive board, becoming the first female trustee for her union. She was later elected as the legislative representative for the Georgia State Council of Machinists & Aerospace Workers (AFL-CIO). In this role, she represented more than 9,000 working men and women throughout the state of Georgia and met with both state and national lawmakers to discuss issues affecting working families, such as raising the minimum wage, unemployment benefits and workers compensation.

Other union leadership positions held:

- Shop Steward
- Grand Lodge Convention Delegate
- Women's Convention Delegate
- Bylaws Committee Chair
- Legislative Committee
- Executive Board (where she was the Union's first female trustee)

After 34 years of distinguished service, she retired from Lockheed Martin Company.

After being elected to the House, Rep. Jones was awarded Freshman Legislator of the Year by the Georgia Legislative Black Caucus.

Several organizations have also recognized Rep. Jones for her legislative service of over the past decade, including:

- Cobb Democratic Women (Woman Legislator of the Year)
- Georgia Conservation Voters (Environmental Leadership Award)
- Cobb County Democratic Committee (the Joe Mack Wilson People's Champion Award)
- Fulton County Council on Aging

Rep. Jones has also served as:

- American Civil Liberties Union of Georgia, Board member
- Disabled American Veterans Commanders Club, member
- Democratic Party of Georgia, 5th Congressional District Chair
- Democratic National Convention Delegate, (three times)
- National Women's Political Caucus – GA, State President and Regional Director

In addition, Sheila also currently serves as:

- Georgia Democratic Party, state committee member
- Fulton County Democratic Party, executive committee member
- Women in Government, State Director
- National Organization of Black Elected Legislative Women, member
- Georgia Legislative Black Caucus, member
- Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Atlanta Alumnae Chapter, member
- National Council of Negro Women, Greater Atlanta Chapter, member
- Collier Heights National Historic District (Community Association), member
- Senior Citizens Council of Cobb County, member
- Sierra Club, member
- National Audubon Society, member
- League of Women Voters of Atlanta-Fulton County, member
- International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers and AFL-CIO, member
- Atlanta Black Chambers, Inc. member