



## Robert Drinan

**Party:** Democratic • **Chamber:** House

**State:** MA • **District:** 4

### Biography

A Representative from Massachusetts. Born in Boston, Mass. , November 15, 1920. Attended the public schools of Hyde Park, Mass. A. B. , M. A. , Boston College, 1942. Entered the Jesuit Order, 1942, and was ordained a Catholic priest, 1953. LL. B. , LL. M. , Georgetown University Law Center, Washington, D. C. , 1950. Admitted to the Massachusetts bar in 1956. Dean, Boston College Law School, 1956-1970. Professor of family law and church-state relations. Visiting professor, University of Texas Law School, 1966-1967. Professor, Georgetown University Law Center, 1981- 2007. Vice president, Massachusetts Bar Association, 1961-1964. Author and editor. Lecturer on church-state relations, Andover Newton Theological Seminary, Newton, Mass. , 1966, 1968. Chairman, Advisory Committee for Massachusetts to United States Commission on Civil Rights, 1962-1971. Member, Governor's commission to study conflict of interests, 1962. Griswold commission to study judicial salaries, 1962. Member, Massachusetts Attorney General's Committee on Civil Rights and Civil Liberties. Delegate to Massachusetts State Democratic convention, 1972. Delegate to Democratic National Convention, 1972. Elected as a Democrat to the Ninety-second and to the four succeeding Congresses (January 3, 1971-January 3, 1981). Was not a candidate for reelection in 1980 to the Ninety-seventh Congress. Died on January 28, 2007, in Washington, D. C.

### Legislative Activity (-)

**Bills sponsored:** 0

**Bills cosponsored:** 0