



Claiborne De Borda Pell

Party: Democratic • **Chamber:** Senate

State: RI

Service: 1961–1997

Most recent Congress: 104

Biography

A Senator from Rhode Island. Born in New York City, November 22, 1918. Graduated, Princeton University 1940 and Columbia University 1946. Served in the United States Coast Guard 1941-1945. Served in United States Coast Guard Reserve. State Department and foreign service officer in Czechoslovakia, Italy, and Washington 1945-1952. Businessman. Served on a wide variety of government commissions and committees. Elected as a Democrat to the United States Senate in 1960. Reelected in 1966, 1972, 1978, 1984 and 1990 and served from January 3, 1961, to January 3, 1997. Was not a candidate for reelection in 1996. Chairman, Committee on Rules and Administration (Ninety-fifth through Ninety-Sixth Congresses). Committee on Foreign Relations (One Hundredth through One Hundred Third Congresses). Appointed U. S. Delegate to the United Nations, 1997. Was a resident of Newport, Rhode Island, until his death on January 1, 2009. Interment in St. Columba's Chapel cemetery, Middletown, Rhode Island.

Legislative Activity (1961–1997)

Bills sponsored: 0

Bills cosponsored: 0