



Bill Richardson

Party: Democratic • **Chamber:** House

State: NM • **District:** 3

Service: 1983–1999

Most recent Congress: 105

Biography

A Representative from New Mexico. Born in Pasadena, Los Angeles County, Calif. , November 15, 1947. Graduated from Middlesex High School, Concord, Mass. , 1966. B. A. , Tufts University, Medford, Mass. , 1970. M. A. , Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Medford, Mass. , 1971. Aide to United States Representative Frank Bradford Morse of Massachusetts, 1971-1973. Legislative management officer, U. S. Department of State, 1974-1976. Staff, U. S. Senate Foreign Relations Committee, 1976-1978. International business consultant. Unsuccessful candidate for election to the Ninety-seventh Congress, 1980. Elected as a Democrat to the Ninety-eighth and to the seven succeeding Congresses, until his resignation February 13, 1997, (January 3, 1983-February 13, 1997). Unsuccessful candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination in 2008. United States Ambassador to the United Nations, 1997-1998. Secretary of Energy, 1998-2001. Governor of New Mexico, 2003-2011. Died on September 1, 2023, in Chatham, Mass. Lay in state in New Mexico state capitol, Santa Fe, N. M. , September 13, 2023.

Legislative Activity (1983–1999)

Bills sponsored: 0

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