



Frank Thompson

Party: Democratic • **Chamber:** House

State: NJ • **District:** 4

Biography

A Representative from New Jersey. Born in Trenton, Mercer County, N. J. , July 26, 1918. Attended parochial and public schools and Wake Forest College, Winston-Salem, N. C. , 1941. Graduated from Wake Forest Law School, Winston-Salem, N. C. United States Navy, 1941-1948. Received three combat decorations for action at Iwo Jima and Okinawa. Commanded the United States Naval Reserve Battalion 4-22 and completed a seventeen-month tour of active duty, from August 1950 to January 1952, on the staff of the commander, Eastern Sea Frontier, and released from active duty January 1, 1952. Was admitted to the bar in 1948 and commenced the practice of law in Trenton, N. J. Member of the New Jersey state assembly, 1950-1954, serving as assistant minority leader in 1950 and minority leader in 1954. Elected as a Democrat to the Eighty-fourth Congress. Reelected to the twelve succeeding Congresses and served from January 3, 1955, until his resignation December 29, 1980 (January 3, 1955-December 29, 1980). Chairman, Joint Committee on Printing (Ninety-fourth and Ninety-sixth Congresses), Committee on House Administration (Ninety-fourth, Ninety-fifth, and Ninety-sixth Congresses). Unsuccessful candidate for reelection to the Ninety-seventh Congress in 1980. Convicted on December 3, 1980, of bribery, conspiracy, and accepting an unlawful gratuity. Sentenced to federal prison and was fined. Was a resident of Alexandria, Va. , until his death in Baltimore, Md. , on July 22, 1989. Interment in Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Va.

Legislative Activity (-)

Bills sponsored: 0

Bills cosponsored: 0