

Position Sought: Governor
Name and Political Affiliation: Shelley Hughes, Registered Republican

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Biographical Information

Age: 68
Place of Birth: Canton, Ohio
Spouse's Name: Roger (deceased)
Children's Names: Peter, Clara, Emily, Tyler
Occupation: (former) Senator
Length of Residency in Alaska: 50 years

Alaskan Communities Lived in:

Hoonah, Bethel, Fort Yukon, Fairbanks, Seward ('76-'90), Palmer ('90-'26)

Education:

Cuyahoga College, Valedictorian; UAA, Summa-cum-Laude; Western Academy; Univ VA Emerging Leaders.

Military Service:

Vietnam Veteran spouse; military: son, sons-in-law, grandson; Founder, Alaska All Academies.

Political and Government Positions:

Senate Majority Leader. Chair: Judiciary; Transportation; Education; Regional Affairs; Economic Development, Trade, Tourism; Food Security. Vice Chair: Labor/Commerce, Health/Social Services. Committees: Finance (subcommittees Public Safety, Law, Fish/Game, UA), Resources, Armed Services. Food/Farm Co Chair, Outdoor Heritage Caucus.

Business and Professional Positions:

NCSL: State Coordinator, Co Chair Unmanned Aircraft, Cybersecurity/Broadband Committees, CSG-West, Canada Relations. State Agriculture Rural Leaders (National Board), National Federalism Commission Vice Chair; Convention of States. Chambers of Commerce. Speaker: multiple conferences

Service Organizations Membership:

Pioneers of Alaska; Lions; NRA; Alaska Outdoor Council/Access Alliance; Alaska State Fair; Civil Air Patrol; Republican Women Clubs; NorthgateAK; Mat-Su Senior Services, Health Foundation, Alaska Family Council, Galena Young Life.

Special Interests:

Grandchildren (12), Outdoors, Comedy, Church, Arts

Position Statement

For five years, my home was a cabin—accessible only by boat, no electricity, no plumbing, a wood stove for heat and cooking, a hand-crank wringer washer—with our newborn son. I have grit.

A brown bear had my running mate Blake Gettys' head in its jaws, but Blake lived. He has grit. That tells you what no brochure can: we can solve hard problems.

We Alaskans need leaders who can solve hard problems. And things are hard. High costs are crushing families. Our budget lurches from crisis to crisis. Our kids are leaving for opportunity Outside.

Alaska can't afford on-the-job training in a governor. Four years in the House, eight-plus in the Senate, including as Majority Leader, I successfully passed major legislation, working across the aisle without abandoning conservative principles. I have good relationships with legislators and across the state. I won't need a tour guide once elected.

With Gettys, a retired General who led under pressure, keeping Alaska safe, we're ready to govern day one—our problems are too steep for a slow start.

We'll put our fiscal house in order, drive down energy costs, diversify our economy, open Alaska's land and resources to Alaskans, and build infrastructure that good jobs require. My plan and steps are at my website: AlaskansforHughes.com/issues.

I've won six elections, never lost one: because I do what I say.

I came up the hard way. Now I'm ready to go to work for you.

Let's do this. Choose Hughes!

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