



CONGRESSMAN BLAKE FARENTHOLD

Representing the 27th District of Texas

Blake Farenthold (R-TX-27) long bio:

Born and raised in Corpus Christi, TX, Blake Farenthold is a sixth generation Texan. He is serving his fourth term in the U.S. House of Representatives, working on the issues that are most important to the people of the 27th District and the Nation.

Congressman Farenthold is working towards a smaller, more accountable and transparent government through his service as a committee member on the House Oversight Committee where he was instrumental in investigations exposing Operation Fast & Furious, the IRS targeting of conservative and Tea Party groups and the mishandling of the terrorist attack in Benghazi. He is also on the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, working to meet the transportation needs of Texas and the country. His leadership on T&I has helped fund the Harbor bridge project, expand I69 and bring much needed improvements to the Port of Corpus Christ. He is also the vice-chairman of the Railways and Pipeline Subcommittee. On the House Judiciary Committee, his priorities include securing the borders, tort reform, technology issues and improving the patent and copyright system.

A conservative Republican, Farenthold's priorities include national security and protecting the border, protecting life, defending the Second Amendment, reining in excessive spending federal overreach, and oppressive and costly regulations. He is pushing solutions for real health care reform, reducing poverty and creating jobs, and working with the VA to deliver health care to those who served in the armed services.

Prior to being elected to Congress, his diverse career includes working as a radio disc jockey in high school and college, practicing law at the Kleberg (clay-burg) Law Firm in Corpus Christi and founding Farenthold Consulting LLC, a computer consulting and web design firm. He was also co-host of Lago in the Morning, a top-rated conservative talk radio program where he still appears most Monday mornings.

He attended Incarnate Word Academy in Corpus Christi, the University of Texas at Austin, where he received a Bachelor of Science in Radio, Television, and Film, and received his Juris Doctor degree from St. Mary's University School of Law in San Antonio.

Congressman Farenthold has been a longtime civic and community leader in Corpus Christi, serving on the boards of St. James Episcopal School, the Texas State Aquarium, Computer Section of the State Bar of Texas and on the leadership team of the Social Media Club of Corpus Christi. Before his

election to the House of Representatives, he spent time refereeing youth basketball games and volunteering to teach computers and digital photography to senior citizens.

He has been married to his wife, Debbie, for 30 years. They met in college while waiting in line for tickets to a Jimmy Buffett concert. They have two adult daughters, Morgan and Amanda.