

SENATOR KIMBERLY YEE

MEMBER, WORKFORCE ARIZONA COUNCIL



REPRESENTING

ARIZONA LEGISLATURE

COMPANY/ASSOCIATION

ARIZONA STATE SENATE

POSITION

MEMBER, MAJORITY LEADER

OTHER MEMBERSHIPS AND ORGANIZATIONS

- **Arizona State Legislature**

Arizona State Majority Leader Kimberly Yee represents Arizona's 20th Legislative District. She is the first Asian American woman elected to serve in the Arizona Legislature in our state's history. Senator Yee is the second woman to serve as Senate Majority Leader since U.S. Justice Sandra Day O'Connor served the position in the Arizona State Senate in 1973.

Senate Majority Leader Yee serves as Chairman of the Senate Ethics Committee, Vice Chairman of the Rules Committee and serves as a member of the Senate Committee on Education and the Committee on Health and Human Services. She is a member of the Joint Legislative Budget Committee and the Joint Committee on Capital Review. She is a former member of the committees on Finance, Judiciary and Elections and the Joint Legislative Income Tax Credit Review Committee.

In 2016, Senator Yee was named among the nation's "25 Most Influential Women in State Politics" by Congressional Quarterly's Roll Call, the leading media organization covering Congress. She was a speaker on the stage at the 2016 Republican National Convention in Cleveland, Ohio on the opening day of the convention. The Republican National Committee named Senator Yee a "Rising Star" at the 2014 Winter Meeting in Washington, D.C.

Leader Yee and her husband own a small local business in the West Valley and are blessed to be the parents of two young children.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Prior to elective office, Senator Yee earned a distinguished career in public policy and governmental service. She served on the executive team of Arizona State Treasurer Dean Martin, promoting fiscal conservative principles to protect taxpayers.

Senator Yee was formerly a gubernatorial appointee of two California governors. She served as California Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger's Deputy Cabinet Secretary and was a policy analyst for Governor Pete Wilson working with the State Board of Education. In Arizona, Senator Yee served as senior staff of the Senate Committee on Education for the Arizona Legislature from 1998 to 2003.

At the federal level, Leader Yee worked for the United States Department of Justice in the Fraud Section, Criminal Division in Washington, D.C. providing research and paralegal assistance. She also provided administrative services with the Maricopa County Attorney's Office.

EDUCATION AND AWARDS

A graduate of Pepperdine University, Senator Yee earned a Bachelor's Degree in English and a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science. She holds a Master's Degree in Public Administration from Arizona State University and was the recipient of the honored Scholar-Citizen Award.