

Congressman Pete Visclosky

Pete Visclosky proudly represents the First Congressional District of Indiana, which includes Lake, Porter, Newton, Jasper, and Benton Counties. Throughout his time in office, Pete has worked to improve the quality of life for everyone in Northwest Indiana by creating new job opportunities and attracting economic development to the region.

Pete has been a leading advocate for major economic development projects in Northwest Indiana, including the extension of the South Shore Rail Line, the Gary/Chicago Airport, and the Marquette Plan, his lakeshore investment strategy.

Pete is a member of the powerful Appropriations Committee and serves as the Chairman of its Energy & Water Development Subcommittee, where he has worked to boost investments in new energy technologies that will help confront the energy crisis and reduce our dependence on foreign oil. Pete also sits on the Defense Subcommittee, the Commerce, Justice, Science Subcommittee, and is the chairman of the Congressional Steel Caucus.

Pete was born in Gary and graduated from Andrean High School in Merrillville. He earned a Bachelor of Science in Accounting from Indiana University Northwest, a J.D. from the University of Notre Dame, and a Masters in International and Comparative Law from Georgetown University. Pete is married to Joanne Royce, and has two sons, John and Tim.