Working for the People of Georgia's 12th District

Congressman John Barrow is currently serving his fourth term as Congressman from Georgia's 12th Congressional District.

John Barrow's Georgia roots run deep. For over 7 generations, his family has farmed, taught, preached, and practiced law all across eastern and southeastern Georgia.

He grew up learning the importance of serving his community and standing up for what's right. John's father, James Barrow , was a decorated World War II veteran, and his mother, Phyllis Barrow, also served in the armed service during World War II, attaining the rank of Captain. Both were courageous and outspoken leaders in the effort to desegregate the University of Georgia.

John earned degrees in political science and history from the University of Georgia. Later, at only 20 years old, he became one of the youngest members of his class at Harvard Law School.

In 1990, after having built and run a successful law practice, John was elected as a charter member of the Athens-Clarke County Commission. He served on the Commission for 14 years, voting against every tax increase, working for economic development, fighting for property tax relief for homeowners, and developing innovative programs to improve the quality of life of the people he represents.

In Congress, those are the same values John Barrow fights for every day.

In the House of Representatives, John currently serves on the Energy and Commerce Committee and the Veterans' Affairs Committee . John is also a member of the fiscally conservative Blue Dog Coalition and currently serves as the group's Policy Co-Chair.

John is the father of two children, James and Ruth.

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