My <u>district offices</u> are available to assist you with all federal issues and with any difficulties you may be experiencing with government agencies. Please contact one of my district offices in Evanston, Park Ridge or Chicago by telephone, mail, or email if you need help with:

- Immigration
- Federal Grants
- Social Security
- Medicare
- Veterans Benefits
- Postal Issues
- Public Housing
- Bureaucratic Red Tape
- Assistance with any other federal agency

Under the provisions of the Privacy Act of 1974, I need to have formal authorization from you before making an inquiry to a federal agency on your behalf. This law was enacted to protect individuals from unauthorized disclosure of personal information without their consent. Therefore, in order for our office to effectively advocate on your behalf, we require you to fill out and return a privacy waiver. For your convenience, a privacy waiver can be found <a href="here">here</a> In the form must be signed by the person whose case is in question.

When returning the privacy waiver, it would also be very helpful if you would include all pertinent information such as your name(s), mailing address, telephone number(s), Social Security Number, Medicare number, Alien number, case number, etc. Also please include documentation from the agency including correspondence, bills, and other information relevant to your case. It is also most helpful if you include a letter describing the situation and explaining your request. Please indicate if it is acceptable to forward your letter to the relevant agency.

If you are contacting me regarding a legal issue:

The rules of the House of Representatives prevent me from intervening in the proceedings of any court of law (including appeal proceedings), since these are activities of the judicial branch of government. If you are having a legal problem involving the courts, you may need to consider help from an attorney.

Complete contact information for all of my offices can be found <a href="here">here</a> or at the bottom of this page.
Important websites of federal agencies:
Federal Communications Commission
www.fcc.gov
Federal Trade Commission
www.ftc.gov
Internal Revenue Service
www.irs.gov

Medicare
www.medicare.gov
National Do Not Call Registry
www.donotcall.gov
Small Business Administration
www.sba.gov
Social Security Administration
www.socialsecurity.gov
US Census Bureau
www.census.gov
US Citizenship and Immigration Service

www.uscis.gov
US Department of Education/Federal Student Aid
www.studentaid.ed.gov
US Department of State
www.state.gov
US Department of State Bureau of Consular Affairs
www.travel.state.gov
US Department of Veterans Affairs
www.va.gov
US Embassies

usembassy.state.gov
US Passport Agency
www.travel.state.gov/passport
US Postal Inspectors Service
www.usps.com/postalinspectors
US Postal Service
www.usps.com
Visa Bulletin
www.travel.state.gov/visa/frvi/bulletin/bulletin_1360.html
U.S. Department of Education
www.ed.gov

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
http://www.hud.gov/index.html
U.S. Department of Labor
http://www.dol.gov/
U.S. Postal Service
http://www.usps.com/
U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
http://www.va.gov/
Other Important Websites:

Free Credit Reports:
www.annualcreditreport.com
Illinois Attorney General Lisa Madigan's website on Identity Theft:
www.illinoisattorneygeneral.gov/consumers/hotline.html
Illinois State Board of Elections: Find Your Local Officials:

www.elections.state.il.us/DistrictLocator/AddressSearch.aspx

Below are links to various government web sites. These sites contain helpful information and contact phone numbers.

- City of Chicago
- City of Chicago (provided by Chicago Federal Executive Board, the City of Chicago, and the State of Illinois)
  - City of Des Plaines
  - City of Evanston
  - Village of Harwood Heights
  - Village of Morton Grove
  - Village of Niles
  - Village of Norridge
  - Village of Skokie
  - Village of Wilmette
  - State of Illinois