

# ANN JOHNSON

TEXAS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES | DISTRICT 134



Ann is a former chief human trafficking prosecutor, teacher and small business owner who works in our criminal justice system as an attorney for many who cannot afford a lawyer.

A native of Houston, Ann is the youngest child of Hon. Jake Johnson, a former Texas State Representative, and the Hon. Carolyn Marks Johnson, senior retired District Judge. She earned her BA at University of Texas, and her law degree from South Texas College of Law. She is an accomplished trial and appellate counsel, having spent many years in the Harris County District Attorney's Office and in private practice. She's a nationally recognized

Human Trafficking Expert, and has provided testimony before the United States Congress as well as training to Local, State and Federal Law Enforcement officers and the Judiciary.

Ann has a long history of standing up for the most vulnerable in our community. When told a righteous challenge doesn't stand a chance, she just works harder to bring people together to reach the right result. She has successfully taken on the system by reaching across the aisle and breaking down old barriers to create common sense solutions for victims of human trafficking. She knows penny-wise and pound foolish decisions for political gain end up costing the rest of us in the long run.

Ann knows we can do better and promises to lead with an eye on the collective future, not her next election. Ann married her partner Sonya as soon as the law allowed. They have 3 rescue dogs and lots of wonderful nieces and nephews.

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## ON THE ISSUES

### WOMEN'S REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS

Ann will fight to affirmatively advance legislation that will protect reproductive rights and fully fund the community-based clinics and providers who are on the front lines in providing the care women and their families need and deserve.

### GUN LEGISLATION

Ann will fight to pass sensible gun legislation including stronger background checks, extreme protection orders and prohibitions on guns in schools.

### EDUCATION

Ann will be a steadfast advocate to increase state funding for our public schools –including increasing teacher and support staff compensation, reducing class sizes, and reducing the burden on counties to offset the lack of state funding.

### ENVIRONMENT

Ann will lead the effort to mitigate damage from, and prepare for, future floods and hurricanes – including major new investments in renewable energy to help us fight climate change.

### GERRYMANDERING

Ann will be a champion for reforms to end partisan gerrymandering so that voters in Texas will finally choose their representatives instead of representatives choosing their voters.



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## ABOUT THE DISTRICT

### Nested Congressional Districts

CD2: R+11, CD7: R+7, CD9: D+29

As of the 2010 census, a total of 174,421 civilians reside within Texas' one hundred thirty-fourth state house district. Texas state representatives represent an average of [167,637 residents](#). The state has grown - after the 2000 Census, each member represented [139,012 residents](#). The district is located west of Houston proper, in Harris County.

## ABOUT THE OPPONENT

Republican Sarah Davis has represented Texas House [District 134](#) since 2011. She's been endorsed by the [NRA](#) with an 80% rating as of 2018 after voting in favor of [HB 972](#) in 2015, allowing guns on college campuses.

In accordance with Republican practice, Davis has also made an enemy of our environment. She has voted against almost all forms of fracking regulation since [2013](#). When she isn't [excusing herself](#) from engaging with environmental policy, Davis consistently fails to advocate for clean air and water. This has all culminated in her lifetime score of 56% from [Environment Texas](#).

Sarah Davis has committed offense to Texans not only with her votes regarding gun policy but also with her actions regarding healthcare and education. In 2011, Davis voted against the expansion of [public school funding](#), leading to the loss of thousands of teaching positions across the state and massive cuts to Pre-K programs, long proven to yield lasting benefits to those who enroll. Additionally, she demonstrated how flippantly she regards the low-income residents of Texas when she failed to vote in favor of [Medicaid expansion](#) in the [2019 session](#).

## PAST RESULTS IN THE DISTRICT

### 2020 STATE HOUSE PRIMARY

Johnson (D): 11,966

Davis (R): 10,596

Total: 22,562

### 2018 STATE HOUSE

Democrat: 41486, 46.80%

Republican: 47164, 53.20%

Total: 88,650

### 2018 SENATE

O'Rourke: 54896, 60.29%

Cruz: 35467, 38.95%

Total: 91,052

### 2016 PRESIDENTIAL

Clinton: 50043, 55.09%

Trump: 35983, 39.61%

Total: 90,832

### 2012 PRESIDENTIAL

Obama: 34731, 41.74%

Romney: 46926, 56.39%

Total: 83,217

## DISTRICT DEMOGRAPHICS

Population	Households	Over 65	White	Black	Latinx	Asian	Other	Median Income	% Poverty	% College Grads	% HS Grads
190,890	88,350	13.6%	65.8%	5.2%	13.5%	12.7%	2.8%	\$110,860	6%	79.7%	17.5%



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## WHY THIS RACE IS IMPORTANT

Democrats need 9 seats in the Texas House to gain a majority. That might seem like a lot, but it's not – there are 150 seats in the chamber. Democrats gained 12 seats in the House in 2018, the biggest shift in the House since Republicans stormed through in 2010. Momentum is now on our side.

There are 9 House seats currently held by a Republican, where Beto O'Rourke won in 2018. Even if we just won those seats, we could flip the chamber. Ann Johnson's district is one of those Beto districts -- Beto received 60.29% of the votes in House District 134 in 2018.

Texas is currently a Republican trifecta. Winning this chamber will break the trifecta and provide Democrats with a critical seat at the table for redistricting, so that Republicans cannot repeat the horrible gerrymandering that has kept them locked in to power for decades.

**These are 'last chance' races: whoever is elected in 2020 will draw the next round of district lines.**

## REDISTRICTING & GERRYMANDERING

Texas Republicans have epically gerrymandered the state's congressional and state legislative lines. As one measure of how far out of whack the lines are, Texas currently has 36 seats in the House of Representatives, and according to statewide voting patterns 19 of those seats should be filled by Republicans, and 17 of them should be occupied by Democrats. Instead, Texas is represented by 23 Republicans and only 13 Democrats.

The maps that the GOP-controlled state legislature [drew](#) after the 2010 census have been the subject of extensive litigation. Unfortunately, on June 25, 2018, the Supreme Court reversed a district court decision that had struck down several congressional and state legislative district lines in the state as unconstitutional racial gerrymanders. The decision in [Abbott v. Perez](#) put to rest a seven-year legal battle over Texas's

gerrymandered legislative maps. The conservative Supreme Court essentially rejected the claims that Republican lawmakers in the state had drawn electoral districts to intentionally dilute minority voters' influence—otherwise known as racial gerrymandering. This has likely emboldened the GOP to continue to gerrymander, if they manage to retain control of the legislature for the next round of mapmaking in 2021. That is why we must flip the House, to ensure that Democrats have a seat at the redistricting table.

## WHY TEXAS IS IMPORTANT

### TEXAS FAST FACTS

- **Current Control:** Republican Trifecta (since 2003)
- **Gubernatorial Election:** Not in 2020
- **Length of State House term:** 2 years
- **Candidate Filing Deadline:** December 9, 2019
- **State Legislative Primary Date:** March 3, 2020; Runoffs July 14, 2020 (subject to further delay)
- **Redistricting:** Congressional and state legislative lines drawn by state legislature; Governor has veto power over maps
- **Electoral College Votes:** 38

### BROADER 2020 OPPORTUNITIES

Texas is 'bluing' – and it has important implications for the presidential election. While Romney carried Texas by 16 points in 2012, Trump's win was by 9 points just four years later. And since then, demographic and partisan shifts have continued to swing in our favor, as evidenced by Beto O'Rourke's narrow 3-pt loss for the Senate in 2018, and Democrats' 12-seat pickup in the state house that year.

There is a competitive Senate race (R-Cornyn), as well as a tremendous number of important, competitive Congressional races in TX this year (including TX-22, TX-24, TX-10, TX-21 and TX-31).

Working to support TX State House candidates will be instrumental in helping drive turnout up and down the ticket in this historic election year.