

TED L. WILSON

Ted Wilson was born May 18, 1939, in Salt Lake City, Utah. He attended schools in Salt Lake City, graduating from South High School in 1957 and from the University of Utah in 1964, with a B.S. degree in Political Science. He received a Masters Degree in Education from the University of Washington in 1969. In 1983, he received an honorary Doctorate of Laws from Westminster College of Salt Lake City.

From 1957-1963. He served in the Utah Army National Guard and was activated to full time status during the Berlin Crisis. He was an instructor at the Leysin American School, Leysin, Switzerland for one year. He also taught economics at Skyline High School, Salt Lake City, Utah for seven years. During the summer months of 1966 to 1969 he was a mountaineering park ranger in Grand Teton National Park.

He was appointed Chief of Staff to Congressman Wayne Owens in March of 1973. In April 1975 he was appointed to direct the Department of Social Services in Salt Lake County. In November, 1975 he was elected as Mayor of Salt Lake City. He served as Mayor until July 1, 1985 when he became the Director of the Hinckley Institute of Politics at the University of Utah. Retiring from the Hinckley Institute in September, 2003, Wilson retains status as Professor Emeritus of political science and continues to teach classes at the university in the Honors program. Wilson is a founder of the Exoro Co, an advocacy firm. In 2005 Wilson was appointed founding director of the Barbara L. and Norman C. Tanner Center for Nonviolent Human Rights Advocacy where he raised over a million dollars in funding. He is retired from teaching but still teaches occasional classes at the University of Utah in the Honors Program. In November of 2009, Wilson became Senior Advisor to Utah Governor Gary Herbert on the Environment.

In 1988, he was the Democratic candidate for Governor of the State of Utah. In 1991, Wilson was selected by the Harvard University John F. Kennedy Institute of Politics as an institute fellow during the Autumn Semester.

Personal travel to India has allowed Wilson to study and understand the Indian system of government. Wilson has made thirteen trips to India with six leading university student expeditions and was instrumental in organizing the International Semester Program at the University of Utah. During those visits, he has met with the Dalai Lama, and led efforts to build housing for Tibetan Refugees in Bir, a community hall in Leh, Ladakh and a school in Kotwara.

Wilson loves the sport of mountaineering and has made many first ascents on mountain climbing routes in Utah, in the Tetons, and has climbed in other ranges including the Alps, Alaska, Andes, and the Himalaya. Wilson has established three climbing schools still in operation, was a climbing ranger in Grand Teton National Park, and is currently a part owner of Utah Mountain Adventures, a climbing and skiing guide service. Between 1995 and 2002, Wilson summer guided for Exum Mountain Guides in Grand Teton

National park. He received the Department of the Interior Valor award for a mountain rescue on the North Face of the Grand Teton in 1967.

Wilson is married to Holly Mullen, former Salt Lake Tribune columnist and free lance writer. From his previous marriage to Kathryn Carling, Wilson has five children. He is step dad to Mullen's two children.

Ted Wilson serves on many voluntary local boards including the Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance, Friends of Alta, YMCA, and the University of Utah College of Social and formerly with the College of Social and Behavioral Science Advisory Board.

He enjoys bicycling, skiing, rock climbing, river running, fishing, and back packing with his family. A favorite hobby is watching Utah's future.

ASSIGNMENTS – BOARDS

Current:

YMCA

Friends of Alta

Former boards and activities:

Ambassador for the 96th Army Reserve

American Alpine Club Board

Salt Lake City Hospitality and Entertainment Task Force

Chosen as one of thirteen Mayors to officially visit the People's Republic of China, 1979

Board of Directors of the United States Conference of Mayors

Board of Directors of the National League of Cities

Board of Directors, Intermountain Health Care

Clark Planetarium Advisory Board

Utah State Arboretum Board

University of Utah Task Force on Undergraduate Education

University of Utah Medical School Advisory Board

University of Utah Parking and Transportation Committee

University of Utah Campus Recreation Committee

Co-Chair Utah Committee, Bill Clinton for President 1992, 1996

Board Member, Friends of Sundance Institute

National Board of Trustees, National Parks and Conservation Association

Chair, Utah Air Travel Commission

Chair, Platform Committee, Utah Democratic Party 1990

Co-Chair, The Utah Forum (Democratic speakers luncheon)

Friends of Utah Tibetan Resettlement Project

Salt Lake City Public Utilities Water Rate Review Board

Mountaineering guide in Grand Teton National Park.

Chair, Salt Lake City Futures Commission

University of Utah College of Social and Behavioral Sciences Advisory Board

Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance

AWARDS - HONORS

National Science Foundation Fellow, University of Washington, 1968-69

Department of Interior, Valor Award, 1968, for Grand Teton north face rescue

Utah Bolivian Partners, Fern Wiser Award for Distinguished Service to Bolivian Education, 1976

Utah National Guard, Bronze Minuteman Award, 1979

Chairman, Utah Presidential Inaugural Hosting Committee for President Carter, 1977

Utah League of Cities and Towns Award - Outstanding Utah Elected Municipal Official, 1983

Honorary Doctorate of Laws, Westminster College of Salt Lake City June, 1984

Fellow, John F. Kennedy Institute of Politics, Harvard University, 1991

Pi Sigma Alpha "Professor of the Year," 1994; University of Utah Political Science Department

Mortar Board National Honor Society "Top Professor Award," 1996

Adjunct Assistant Professor Emeritus, University of Utah

PUBLICATIONS

- Numerous articles in *The Wasatch Runner* and the *Utah Business Review*
Op-Ed articles in *Deseret News and Salt Lake Tribune*, *The Event*, "Putting Together the Leadership Puzzle."

Book Author:

Utah's Wasatch Front, Utah Geographic Series, 1987

Utah Then and Now, Westcliffe Publishers, 2000.

- Weekly political column in *The Enterprise*, a Salt Lake City business newspaper 2000 to 2001
- Weekly political column in *The Deseret Morning News*, a Salt Lake City daily newspaper, *Wilson and Webb* 2000-2002.
- Article in *Utah Forum*, "Professor Productivity: An Emerging Issue in America and Utah," June, 1994.

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