

Representative Scott Rigell (VA-02)

Scott Rigell (“RIDGE-ull”) was elected to the United States House of Representatives from Virginia’s Second Congressional District in November 2010.



Since taking office in January 2011, Congressman Rigell has made creating jobs, strengthening our military, controlling federal spending, and changing Congress his most urgent priorities.

Representing the nation’s largest military district, Rigell is working to preserve our region’s unique military assets and support our men and women in uniform. As a member of the House Armed Services Committee, Rigell was instrumental in the successful effort to keep all East Coast carriers based in Norfolk.

As a congressional reformer and co-founder of the Fix Congress Now Caucus, Rigell is leading by example. He declined federal health care and pension benefits and will return more than \$50,000 of his two-year salary back to the U.S. Treasury. Additionally, he introduced the Lead by Example Act, which prevented Members of Congress from receiving taxpayer-funded matches to their retirement plans unless Congress passes a budget and reduces the deficit.

In addition to the House Armed Services Committee, Rigell also serves on the Committee on Homeland Security and the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

Prior to his election to Congress, Rigell was a successful entrepreneur, business owner, and community leader. The founder and Chairman of Freedom Automotive, Rigell and his wife, Teri, own automobile dealerships in Norfolk and Virginia Beach.

Rigell served six years in the United States Marine Corps Reserve, rising to the rank of Sergeant before receiving an honorable discharge. He earned his B.B.A. from Mercer University and his M.B.A. from Regent University.

Rigell and his wife are the proud parents of four grown children: Lindsey, Mallory, Justus and Shannon. They are delighted to have two grandchildren, Parks and Reese.