

Craig Miner Biography

Deputy Senate Republican Majority Leader Craig A. Miner was elected to his first term representing the 30th District in the State Senate in 2016 after eight terms serving the people of the 66th House District—the last term as deputy minority leader. The 30th State Senate District is the largest geographically in the state comprising the communities of Brookfield, Canaan, Cornwall, Goshen, Kent, Litchfield, Morris, New Milford, North Canaan, Salisbury, Sharon, Torrington, Warren and Winchester.

As a state Senator, Sen. Miner will serve as the Republican co-Chair of the Environment and Labor & Public Employees Committees. He will serve as Republican Vice Chair of the Appropriations Committee and as a member of the Regulation Review and Public Safety Committees.

Sen. Miner's service is also reflected in national efforts. He continues to serve as Connecticut's legislative representative on the 15-state Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission, a cooperative aimed at protecting and managing marine fisheries within state jurisdiction. He belongs to the National Assembly of Sportsmen's Caucuses and co-chairs the Connecticut Sportsmen Caucus.

Prior to his election to the Connecticut General Assembly, Sen. Miner served as First Selectman of the Town of Litchfield from 1991 to 2001. He resigned from the office in February 2001 to assume his legislative duties. His administration successfully promoted open government and maintained a stable tax base throughout the 1990s.

Sen. Miner's extensive public service background also includes serving on the state's Sheff vs. O'Neill panel, E911 Commission which advises in the planning, design, implementation and coordination of the statewide emergency 9-1-1 telephone system, and as chairman of the Litchfield Hills Council of Elected Officials. Since 1977, he has held sales and management positions in several local automotive dealerships. He also owned and operated the Litchfield Filling Station from 1989 to 1998.

Sen. Miner is married to his wife, Margy, and resides on East Chestnut Hill Road in Litchfield. He has three children and four grandchildren.

2017-2018 Committees: *Co-Chair* – Environment, Labor & Public Employees | *Vice Chair* – Appropriations | *Member* – Regulation Review, Public Safety