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Michael R. Pompeo has over three decades of experience in the public and private sector, including serving in the Trump administration as the 70th U.S. Secretary of State and the Director of the Central Intelligence Agency, as well as being elected to four terms in Congress representing the Fourth District of Kansas.

As the nation's most senior diplomat and chief negotiator, Secretary Pompeo helped America become a massive energy exporter and a force for good in the Middle East with real peace cemented in the Abraham Accords. Secretary Pompeo placed special emphasis on renewing alliances with key allies, including India, Japan, Australia, and South Korea. The largest human rights gatherings ever held at the State Department occurred under his leadership.

Secretary Pompeo's time at the State Department marked the end of engagement with the Chinese Communist Party, pulling back the curtain shielding acts of the CCP that threaten American jobs and freedoms. Secretary Pompeo also focused efforts on calling out and punishing perpetrators of attacks on basic human dignity in places like Venezuela, North Korea, Iran, Nigeria, China and elsewhere. Secretary Pompeo also led a team that executed America's largest ever global repatriation effort in the wake of the Covid-19 pandemic.

Prior to joining the Trump administration, Secretary Pompeo was serving in his fourth term as congressman from Kansas' Fourth District. He served on the House Intelligence Committee, Energy and Commerce Committee, and the House Select Benghazi Committee.

Before serving in Congress, Secretary Pompeo spent a decade leading two manufacturing businesses in Wichita, Kansas. He founded Thayer Aerospace, a global supplier to the world's leading commercial and military aircraft builders, serving as CEO. He later became president of Sentry International, an oilfield equipment manufacturing, distribution, and service company.

After graduating first in his class at the United States Military Academy at West Point in 1986, Secretary Pompeo served as a cavalry officer patrolling the Iron Curtain before the fall of the Berlin Wall. He also served with the 2nd Squadron, 7th Cavalry in the U.S. Army's Fourth Infantry Division.



After leaving active duty, Secretary Pompeo graduated from Harvard Law School, having been an editor of the Harvard Law Review, and was an associate in the Washington, D.C. law firm of Williams & Connolly LLP.