



Biography of Contra Costa County Supervisor Candace Andersen

Supervisor Candace Andersen serves as the Chair of the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors. She was first elected to the Board of Supervisors in June 2012. In 2016, 2020, and 2024 she ran unopposed and was re-elected to four-year terms.

Previously, Candace was on the Danville Town Council from 2003 through June 2012, serving two terms as Mayor. In her role as County Supervisor Candace currently sits on 30 local and regional boards, commissions, and committees addressing planning and land use, transportation, transit, pensions, mental health, healthcare, reuse and recycling, economic development, and public safety.

Candace also served on the Morgan Hill City Council in the early 1990's. She is an attorney licensed to practice law in California and Hawaii, and began her legal career as a Deputy Prosecuting Attorney in her hometown of Honolulu. She put her legal career on hold to serve the community and raise her family.

Candace received both her B.A. in Public Policy (1982) and Juris Doctorate (1985) from Brigham Young University (BYU). She spent her third year of law school at the Williams S. Richardson School of Law at the University of Hawaii.

Candace and her husband, retired attorney Philip M. Andersen, have been married for 41 years and are the parents of six children ranging in age from 27 to 40. They have twelve grandchildren.