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Biography

David Lester Swanson is a former government official and retired lobbyist.

David L. Swanson was born on March 11, 1942 in Stambaugh, Michigan. He grew up in Stambaugh and attended high school there. Swanson attended North Park College (now University) on the northside of Chicago earning a B.A. in mathematics in 1964. He then attended the Illinois Institute of Technology earning a Master's and Ph.D. in physics. He graduated in 1973.

Following his graduation, Swanson worked as a lab technician and then a Researcher at the National Argonne Laboratory in Illinois from 1973-1974. In a major career switch, Swanson was hired as a Special Assistant to Illinois Representative John B. Anderson. He stayed with Anderson from 1974-January 1977.

In January 1977, Swanson joined the Republican Policy Committee for the United States Senate advising Republican Senators on policy issues and supporting their re-election. His supervisor at the time was Max Friedersdorf. Friedersdorf was the first Assistant to the President for Legislature Affairs and Swanson joined his staff in the first days of the Reagan Administration.

Swanson was recruited for House and Senate Committee staffs and in May 1977 he became the Minority Staff Director for the House Ad Hoc Committee on Energy. In January 1978 he became a staff member of the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

Swanson followed Max Friedersdorf to the White House Office of Legislative Affairs staff becoming first a Special Assistant for Legislative Affairs and then promoted to a Special Assistant to the President for Legislative Affairs.

Swanson resigned on January 9, 1984 and left the White House for the law firm of Bliss, Craft & Richards. He eventually became a lobbyist with a known position at the Edison Electronic Institute.

Swanson is retired and he and his wife live near Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

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Status	Title
OPEN	Northern Tier Pipeline

Status	Title
OPEN	Department of Energy Nuclear Waste (1) (2)
OPEN	Ray O'Connor
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OPEN	Joe Paladino Nuclear Regulatory Chairman
OPEN	Peace Academy (Senator Denton)
OPEN	Property Review Board (1)(2)
OPEN	S. 1867 Reclamation Bill (1)(2)
OPEN	1983 Reconciliation
OPEN	Regulatory Reform (1)(2)
OPEN	Rick Richard Nomination
OPEN	Tom Roberts Nomination
OPEN	Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry [Committee]
OPEN	Senate Committee on Appropriations
OPEN	Banking [Committee]
OPEN	Commerce, Science and Transportation [Committee]
OPEN	Energy [Committee]
OPEN	Environment and Public Works [Committee]
OPEN	Finance [Committee]
OPEN	Foreign Relations [Committee]
OPEN	Government Affairs [Committee]
OPEN	Labor and Human Resources [Committee]
OPEN	Small Business
OPEN	Tax Bill (1)(2)
OPEN	Senate Tax Bill/ Signing Pens
OPEN	Senate Reconciliation 06/25/1981 (1)(2)
OPEN	Shipping Act
OPEN	Silver Stockpile
OPEN	Jake Simmons - DOI
OPEN	Slate, David (Nomination) (1)(2)
OPEN	Small Business Innovation Act
OPEN	Social Security

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OPEN	SFC / Fully Operational Declaration
OPEN	Stand-by Petroleum Act S. 1503 (1)(2)
OPEN	Steel Stretch-out Bill
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OPEN	Supplemental Appropriations
OPEN	Tennessee Gas Trans.
OPEN	Timber Bailout
OPEN	Transition Team Reports
OPEN	Industry Input to Transition Team
OPEN	International Conference on Nuclear Power
OPEN	Barnwell Trip
OPEN	TVA Financing Issue
OPEN	Urgent Supplemental Appropriations
OPEN	Vandewater, John
OPEN	Veterans Administration
OPEN	Voting Rights Act
OPEN	Wallace, Walter (Nomination)
OPEN	Harry Walters Veterans' Administration
OPEN	WPPSS [Washington Public Power Supply System] (1)(2)
OPEN	Murray Weidenbaum Nomination
OPEN	Williamson, Rich (Nomination)
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OPEN	Wischer, Irene (Nomination)
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OPEN	John Behan Nomination
OPEN	Cabinet Council Barrier Islands

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OPEN	John Crowell Nomination
OPEN	George Douglas
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OPEN	James Harris Nomination - Department of Interior
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OPEN	Civil Rights Commission
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OPEN	Maine Potato Issue
OPEN	FEMA
OPEN	1982 Long Term Grain Agreement (1)(2)
OPEN	Donald Hodel (nomination)
OPEN	IEA Extension 1983 (1)-(3)
OPEN	Intelligence Identities S.391
OPEN	S.563 Intl. Energy Program Antitrust Extension
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