

Chris Giunchigliani
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Elected 2006

Chris Giunchigliani served in the Nevada Assembly from 1991 until 2005. In 2006, she defeated a sitting commissioner and won a seat on the Clark County Commission. During her time on the Commission, Giunchigliani has earned a reputation as an independent thinker.

Following her election, she took an unpaid leave of absence from the school district. Giunchigliani established herself as a hardworking lawmaker, asking many questions of county staff.

Giunchigliani was born in 1954 in Italy while her parents visited relatives. She grew up in Chicago Illinois. In 1972, she graduated from high school and then in 1976 received a bachelor's degree in special education from Avila College in Kansas City, Missouri. In 1978, Giunchigliani moved to Las Vegas and earned a master's degree from UNLV. She began working in Clark County schools in 1979 as a special education teacher.

Giunchigliani served as president of the Clark County Education Association from 1983 until 1987, and then president of the Nevada State Education Association from 1987 until 1991. In 1990, Giunchigliani won her first term in the Nevada State Assembly with a platform of campaign finance reform, senior programs, and improving education. She served in the Assembly until 2005.

As a County Commissioner, Giunchigliani serves as Chair of the Redevelopment Agency and Vice-Chair of the University Medical Center Board and the Kyle Canyon Water District Board. She is Vice-Chair of the Southern Nevada Regional Planning Coalition and a member of the Flood Control District and the Regional Transportation Commission. She is a board member of the Las Vegas Valley Water District, Clark County Reclamation District and Liquor and Gaming Licensing Board. She's also the Chair of the Southern Nevada Health District Board.

She is married to political consultant Gary Gray and had 2 English bulldogs, Hillary and Kennedy.

