

**Don Schlesinger**  
**October 19, 1958—**  
**Elected 1990**

A native of Long Island in New York, Don Schlesinger has resided in Las Vegas since 1983. He won a seat on the Clark County Commission in 1990, but lost in the primary during his reelection bid in 1994.

In 1990, Schlesinger campaigned for the Clark County Commission on a platform that included creating a better master plan for the county, controlled growth, and more careful spending. After voters elected him to the County Commission, Schlesinger had difficulty delivering on his campaign promises. The Commission was marked by in-fighting and Schlesinger failed to build relationships with his fellow commissioners. In 1994, Erin Kenny defeated him in the primary.

Schlesinger continued to live and work in Las Vegas. In 1997, he developed plans for the Las Vegas Sportspark, a public-private partnership between him and the Las Vegas City Council that opened in 1999.