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Charlie Dent recently joined DLA Piper after serving in the US House of Representatives for seven terms representing the 15th District of Pennsylvania. Drawing on his diversified experience and background, he provides strategic advice and counsel to clients on the federal, state and local level on subjects including but not limited to defense, life sciences, transportation, homeland security, infrastructure, health issues, energy, and international investment, trade and commerce.

During his time in Congress, he served on the House Committee on Appropriations, where he chaired the Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs and Related Agency. He was also the chair of the House Ethics Committee from 2015 to 2017.

Congressman Dent authored and shepherded the successful passage and enactment of the Fiscal Year 2017 Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act; served as co-chair of the Biomedical Research Caucus; was the founder and co-chair of the Skin Cancer Caucus; prioritized providing necessary funding for veterans, service members and their families; advocated for improvement of the nation's aging infrastructure; and dedicated himself to combating pandemic diseases in the US and abroad.

Charles Dent is not a lawyer.

CREDENTIALS

Recognitions

- Pennsylvania BIO Federal Legislator of the Year, 2014
- National Association of Manufacturers Award for Manufacturing Legislative Excellence, 110th Congress—114th Congress
- United States Chamber of Commerce Spirit of Enterprise Award, 2006—2016
- The Science Coalition, Champion of Science Award, 2014
- No Labels, Problem Solver Seal of Approval, 2014
- Alliance of National Heritage Areas, Heritage Champion Award, 2017
- International Foodservice Distributors Association, Thomas Jefferson Award, 2016

- Humane Society of the United States, Legislative Leader Award, 2015
- First Focus Campaign for Children, Defender of Children Award, 2015
- National Housing Resource Center, Champion of Housing Counseling Award, 2015
- American Association for Cancer Research, Cancer Research Leadership Award, 2014
- Shade Foundation of America, Rays of Hope Award, 2010, 2013 and 2014
- American Farm Bureau Federation, Friend of the Farm Bureau, 2014
- American Cancer Society, National Distinguished Advocacy Award, 2013
- American Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy, Congressional Service Award, 2013
- American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, Public Service Award, 2013
- Fight Colorectal Cancer, Congressional Champion Award, 2012
- Associated Builders and Contractors, Champion of the Merit Shop, 2012
- Fuel Cell and Hydrogen Energy Association, Pathfinder Award, 2011
- Boy Scouts of America, Distinguished Citizen Award, 2005, 2007 and 2010

Education

- M.P.A., Public Administration, Lehigh University 1993
- B.A., Foreign Service and International Politics, Pennsylvania State University 1982

INSIGHTS

Publications

Landmark artificial intelligence legislation advances toward becoming law

16 December 2020

AI Outlook

An overview of the key AI initiatives and funding set out in the defense bill.

COVID-19: New York and Other Northeast Council states take phased approach to reopening economy

6 May 2020

These developments raise a number of immediate questions and considerations for businesses operating in the region.

Funding opportunities and changed requirements for education institutions in the CARES act

3 April 2020

A number of provisions in the CARES Act are designed to relax requirements for education institutions, students and faculty.

Events

Previous

Implications of the 2020 elections on businesses

29 October 2020 | 12:00 - 1:00 ET
Webinar

Law Over Lunch

17 September 2019
Washington

BIO's 2019 International Convention

3 - 6 JUN 2019
Philadelphia

NEWS

MEDIA MENTIONS

- "Republicans on tax reform in the new term," *MSNBC*, December 12, 2016
- "The Objective Here Is to Actually Govern," *The Atlantic*, June 10, 2016
- "Who will be impacted most by \$1.1T budget bill?," *Fox News*, December 20, 2015
- "Republican Congressman: 'We Have to Get Our Act Together,'" *NBC News*, October 11, 2015
- "Deep Dive: The Voting Rights Act," *NBC News*, February 22, 2015
- "Charlie Dent: Nice Guy Tapped for Tough Job," *Roll Call*, November 19, 2014
- "A Clean Campaign for Water," *MSNBC*, September 23, 2014
- "A G.O.P. Moderate in the Middle...of a Jam," *The New York Times*, October 8, 2013
- "Charlie Dent, the New GOP Voice of Moderation," *Roll Call*, October 2, 2013
- "Rep. Dent among top lawmakers in staff retention," *The Morning Call*, February, 7, 2012