



Michael R. Pompeo

70th Secretary of State (2018-2021), Former Director of the CIA (2017-2018), United States

Michael R. Pompeo served as the 70th Secretary of State of the United States, Director of the Central Intelligence Agency, and was elected to four terms in Congress representing the Fourth District of Kansas. Mike graduated first in his class from the United States Military Academy at West Point in 1986. He served as a cavalry officer in the U.S. Army, leading troops patrolling the Iron Curtain. Mike left the military in 1991 and then graduated from Harvard Law School, having served as an editor of the Harvard Law Review. Up next was almost a decade leading two manufacturing businesses in South Central Kansas – first in the aerospace industry and then making energy drilling and production equipment.

In 2010, Mike watched the government grow too big and decided to run for Congress. He won and was re-elected three more times to represent South Central Kansas – the heartland of America. Becoming America's most senior spy, the Director of the Central Intelligence Agency, was Mike's next chance to champion American values. President Donald Trump saw that good work and decided to make Mike America's 70th Secretary of State. As our nation's most senior diplomat in the Trump Administration and President Trump's chief negotiator, Mike helped to craft U.S. foreign policy based on our nation's founding ideals, emphasizing religious freedom as central to human dignity. During this time, America became a massive energy exporter and a force for good in the Middle East, with real peace cemented in the Abraham Accords.

Since leaving government, Mike has remained active on the global stage advancing American interests. Currently, he serves as a partner in Niobrara Investment Partners, a private equity firm he co-founded, is of counsel at Torridon Law, and chairs the Helms School of Government at Liberty University.

Married to Susan, Mike and his wife have one son, Nick. Mike and Susan were thrilled to see their family grow to include a daughter-in-law when Nick married his wife, Rachael, in 2022, and then welcomed their first grandson, Jack Michael, in 2025. Mike and Susan's two retrievers, Sherman and Mercer, each named after important American generals, are patriots too!