

Representative Mike Glanton has been a public servant/volunteer/leader for over thirty years. He is a United States Army Retired War Veteran and has worked as a Federal and State employee. He has spent significant time in over thirteen (13) countries and lived in eighteen (18) different cities around the world.

Representative Glanton began his political career serving with the Clayton County Democratic Party where he was elected to the State Committee for the Democratic Party of Georgia serving on the Voter Registration and Constituency Groups sub-committees. He is in his third term as a State Committee member.

He is the recipient of numerous awards and recognitions. Among his awards are the Federal Humanitarian Service Medal, the Kuwait Liberation Medal, and the Georgia Secretary Of State's Outstanding Citizen Award. He is a 2008 Top Volunteer and District Partner In Education for the Clayton County Public Schools and serves on the Superintendent's Executive Advisory Council. He is Clayton County Arc's 2008 "Legislator of the Year". And the Clayton County Chamber of Commerce "Community Service Award" recipient for 2008.

Rep. Glanton serves on the Governing Council for the new Clayton County Public Charter School Elite Scholars Academy and was instrumental in obtaining approvals at the local and State levels for the Charter School. He currently serves on the Clayton County Public Schools Strategic Planning Committee developing the vision and mission of the school system's future objectives. He is a Partner In Education with several schools and often participates in Career Day and Read across America programs and is an active PTSA member. He was recently honored as a Top Volunteer and District Partner for Clayton County Public Schools 2009. He was instrumental in a successful initiative to create an Elementary Level Fine Arts Magnet school for Clayton County Public Schools.

Representative Glanton is the first African-American to represent his District and the first African-American born in Rome (Floyd County) to ever serve in the Georgia General Assembly. He currently serves as Chairman of the nine-member Legislative Delegation representing Clayton County and recently served as its Secretary during the 2007-2008 legislative sessions.

He matriculated with Liberty University, Fayetteville State University, Georgia Military College and the United States Army Logistics Management College. He is a member of the Phi Theta Kappa Society and is past Vice-President and Founding Member of the Georgia Military College Honor Society Chapter Zeta Beta Alpha.

He currently serves on numerous local boards including Chairman, House of Dawn, Inc., Chairman, FI HI Hope Foundation, Vice-Chair, Alzheimer's Support Center among others. He is a member of the Georgia Legislative Black Caucus (GLBC), the National Legislative Black Caucus (NLBC), the Southern Legislative Conference (SLC) the National Conference of State Legislators (NCSL), the

Georgia House Democratic Caucus and the Metro Alliance of Delegation Chairs (MADC).

He is a graduate of the Georgia Legislative Institute administered by the Carl Vinson Institute of Government at the University Of Georgia. He currently serves as a senior consultant/advisor to the Clayton County Grassroots Leadership Institute and the Clayton County Archway Partnership Project.

Representative Glanton is in his second consecutive term in the Georgia House of Representatives and serves on the House Transportation, Defense and Veterans Affairs, Children and Youth and Ways and Means Committees. He has sponsored and co-sponsored several pieces of "key" legislation.

He also serves on several subcommittees to include Transportation Funding, Income and Sales Tax, Finance and Public Policy, Peachcare, Roads and Highways and served on the study committee for the state of the State Health System. As a member of the Georgia Legislative Black Caucus, Rep. was appointed to the Transportation and Lottery Commission Sub-Committees.

Representative Glanton was appointed by the Democratic House Leadership to serve during the 2009 session as the Vice-Chair of the Democratic House Caucus Policy Committee on Public Safety. He was recently selected to the Georgia Chamber of Commerce 2009 "Honor Roll".

He is a licensed and ordained Minister and pastor's New Life Christian Church in Jonesboro and currently serves as the President of the Clayton County Ministers' Conference and Co-Founded the Coalition of Clayton County Clergy. He is the recipient of the Coalition's 2009 Exceptional Servanthood Award. Rep. Glanton is currently a 2010 candidate for election to the Georgia State Senate for Senate District 44 representing Clayton and Henry counties. He resides in Jonesboro with his lovely wife Pearla (Kauai, Hawaii) and his granddaughter Jaida; a student at Jackson Elementary school. He is the father of five adult children and grandfather of eleven.