

## Drew Darby biography for introduction at event

State Representative Drew Darby represents nine counties in West Texas spanning the Concho Valley and Permian Basin, an area larger than seven states. Drew is a product of San Angelo schools and received a business degree and a juris doctorate from the University of Texas at Austin. He also attended the Darden School for Emerging Leaders at the University of Virginia.

Drew was elected to the Texas House of Representatives in 2006. Drew is currently serving as Chairman of the Energy Resources Committee, Chairman of the Select Committee on State and Federal Power and Responsibility Committee, and as a member of the Ways and Means Committee and Redistricting Committee. In 2017, he was appointed by U.S. Secretary of the Interior Ryan Zinke to serve as the Texas representative on the Royalty Policy Committee, an advisory committee to the Secretary to reform the department and improve energy production in offshore and federal lands. In previous sessions, Representative Darby has served as a member of the Legislative Budget Board, the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas Advisory Committee and as a subcommittee chairman for the House Committee on Appropriations.

A successful businessman, Drew is the owner of Surety Title with offices throughout West Texas, and *Of Counsel* to the Energy and Real Estate practice group at the law firm of Jackson Walker, LLP.

He and his wife Clarisa have five children and four grandchildren.