

# CHRIS HERSTAM

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Chris Herstam has lived in Phoenix for 48 years. He is married with four children. Herstam heads the Government Relations practice at the Lewis and Roca law firm.

Herstam is a former gubernatorial Chief of Staff and Director of Communications for former Governor Fife Symington. Herstam co-chaired Governor Napolitano's transition committee in 2002. He also served on Attorney General Janet Napolitano's transition team in December, 1998. He served as a key member of Arizona Governor Jane Hull's transition team in September, 1997.

Herstam was a State Representative for eight years in the Arizona House of Representatives in the 1980's. He was Director of the Arizona Department of Insurance from 1993 to 1996.

Herstam is past President and a former member (1998-2006) of the Arizona Board of Regents, which oversees the state's university system.

## **Professional Experience:**

- Chris Herstam is a former gubernatorial Chief of Staff and Director of Communications.
- Herstam co-chaired current Governor Janet Napolitano's transition team in November and December, 2002 and also served on Attorney General Napolitano's transition team in December, 1998.
- Herstam served as a key member of Arizona Governor Jane Hull's transition team in September, 1997.
- Herstam was Director of the Arizona Department of Insurance from 1993 to 1996. He provided management and policy direction to the regulatory agency.
- Herstam was a State Representative for eight years (1983-1990) in the Arizona House of Representatives. He served as Majority Whip, Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee and Chairman of the House Counties and Municipalities Committee.

## **Community Activities:**

Chris Herstam is a past President and former member of the Arizona Board of Regents, which oversees the state's university system. He is a member of the Board and Executive Committee of the Phoenix Community Alliance, a downtown economic development organization. He Chairs the Advisory Board of the Morrison Institute for Public Policy at Arizona State University.

## **Education:**

Arizona State University, Education, M.A., 1972

Arizona State University, Political Science, B.A. 1971