



**Rep. Doug McKillip  
R-115**

### Biography

Doug was born and raised in the Athens neighborhood of Five Points and attended Barrow Elementary, Clarke Middle, and Clarke Central High School. As the son of two University of Georgia professors, Bill & Carol McKillip, Doug was instilled with the importance of education at an early age. He graduated cum laude from the University of Georgia with a degree in political science and became a "Double Dawg" with the completion of his law degree from the University of Georgia's School of Law in 1994. Doug has concentrated his law practice in the areas of civil litigation and courtroom work. In 2006, Doug's commitment to community service and better government led him to run for the Georgia House of Representatives.

Since being elected, Doug has been a tireless champion of the environment. Doug is a four-time recipient of the Georgia Conservation Voters Environmental Leadership Award, and has received this honor every year he has served in the House. Doug's efforts to protect water resources in the state were recognized in 2010 by the Upper Chattahoochee Riverkeeper, when he was presented with their prestigious "River Legislator Award."

Doug's first three Committee assignments included Natural Resources, Industrial Relations, and Intragovernmental Coordination. In 2008, Doug was added to the Judiciary Committee, where many of the most complicated and far-reaching bills are assigned. At the start of the 2010 session, Doug's work ethic and depth of understanding of the issues were cited as he was added, mid-term, to the powerful Appropriations Committee. Most recently, Doug was asked to take a leadership role on the Legislative and Congressional Reapportionment committee, which will redraw Georgia's House District boundaries.

Doug, 41, is married to the former Mary Jackson Byers, who holds a political science degree from UNC and is a cum laude graduate of the University of Georgia School of Law. Together they have three sons, Jackson, William, and John Maxwell. The McKillips are members of the First Presbyterian Church in downtown Athens.