



**Rep. Brian Thomas
D-100**

Biography

First elected in 2004, Representative Brian Thomas is now in his fourth term representing District 100, near Lilburn in Gwinnett County. He was born in Paterson, New Jersey, and grew up in Miami, Florida. In 1983, he earned his B.A. in History and Philosophy from Wofford College in Spartanburg, S.C. He later attended Wake Forrester University in Winston-Salem, N.C., earning a Master's in Anthropology. A few years later, he earned a Ph D. in Anthropology from the State University of New York at Binghamton.

From 1983-1987 he served on active duty in the United States Army as a Military Intelligence officer. By the end of his active duty service, he had achieved the rank of Captain. He completed his service with Army Reserves in 2000 at the rank of Major. Since then, he has worked as an archaeologist, including stints with the National Park Service, a researcher at Andrew Jackson's home The Hermitage, and as a college professor. He currently manages the Cultural Resources practice for a national environmental services firm.

His service under the Gold Dome includes membership on the Education, Defense & Veterans' Affairs, Ethics, and Natural Resources & Environment committees. He also holds membership in several community and civic organizations.

He and his wife Larissa have been married since 1993.