

John Danforth

The Honorable John Danforth, a former U.S. senator, international lawyer, ordained minister, and formerly the President's special envoy to Sudan, was most recently U.S. Permanent Representative to the United Nations.

Senator Danforth has had a long history of public service. He represented the state of Missouri in the United States Senate for 18 years, until 1994, and served as Missouri's attorney general for seven years, from 1969 to 1976. While in the U.S. Senate he served on the committees of Commerce, Science, and Transportation and the Select Committee on Intelligence.

Senator Danforth also serves on the board of the Commission on Presidential Debates, as chairman of the World Agricultural Forum's advisory board, and as a director of General American Life Insurance Company, GenAmerican Corporation, General American Mutual Holding Company, Time Warner, Inc., and Cerner Corporation. He was named by former Attorney General Janet Reno as special counsel to investigate the federal raid on the Branch Davidian compound in Waco, Texas.

U.S. News and World Report cited Senator Danforth as an example of excellence in government, and the *Washington Post* acclaimed him as a conspicuous example of hard work, commitment to principle and effectiveness. In addition he has received the St. Louis Award, the Harry S. Truman Good Neighbor Award, the St. Louis Man of the Year Award, the Right Arm of St. Louis Award, the University of Missouri-Kansas City Chancellor's Medal Award, the Presidential World Without Hunger Award, the Legislative Leadership Award of the National Commission Against Drunk Driving, and the Distinguished Missourian and Brotherhood Awards of the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

Senator Danforth is ordained to the clergy of the Episcopal Church and is associate priest at the Church of the Holy Communion in University City. He holds a bachelor of divinity degree from Yale Divinity School, a law degree from Yale Law School and a B.A. from Princeton University.