

John W. Tilford; independent candidate for US House, Indiana 9th District
He needs your signature on a petition form to get his name on the fall ballot!

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John does not accept donations. We already have the best Congress money can buy. Let's not make that mistake again.

John will accept only one half of the normal congressional salary and use the other half to hire two additional staff in Indiana.

No surprises. John has undergone periodic special background investigations to validate his Top Secret clearance.

John helped thousands of disabled veterans, widows, and children of deceased veterans since he returned to the 9th District in 1975. He continues to do so. He's also assisted with Social Security, military retirement, housing, job placement, and Family and Social Services claims and problems.

John and Polly, his wife of nearly 50 years, founded Hoosier Honor Flight in 2008 and took 278 WWII and Korean War veterans to Washington, DC to see their national war memorials at no cost to the veterans.

John was a management/organizational analyst for both the IRS and the Navy. He has identified problems with the departments of Defense, Veterans Affairs, and the Social Security Administration, developed solutions, and submitted proposed corrections to Congress. Lack of action forced him to run.

The VA has backlogs of claims from disabled veterans and of appeals of erroneous denials. Social Security requires most disability applicants to appeal several times, finally paying a representative to obtain the decision which should have been made initially. These problems could be corrected if the VA and Social Security would adopt feedback systems similar to that of the IRS – the IRS does not like to repeat mistakes. John was on two national level task forces as a civilian. He knows how to make government more efficient and effective. He's done it.

John served as a Marine Corporal in Vietnam for 18 months, was "by name" requested by the Defense Intelligence Agency after 9/11, and was the only reservist ever to be Chief, Afghanistan Cell for the Joint Chiefs of Staff. He retired as an Army Reserve Colonel, having served eight Commanders in Chief.