



State Representative Jeff Leach proudly serves the citizens of House District 67 in the heart Collin County. Now serving in his fifth term, Representative Leach has consistently proven himself to be a committed conservative and effective leader in the Texas Capitol and has worked tirelessly to ensure that Texas remains strong for future generations.

For the 87th Legislative session, Representative Leach was appointed by Speaker Dade Phelan to serve a second-term as Chairman of the House Committee on Judiciary & Civil Jurisprudence. Additionally, he was selected to serve on the House Committee on Juvenile Justice and Family Issues. During his two terms as Chairman of the major House committee with oversight of the Texas justice system, Jeff worked to improve our state's judiciary and advance sound reforms to civil practice and procedure. Specifically, he successfully authored legislation giving Texas judges a much-needed pay raise without raising legislator pensions, enacted new remote hearing guidelines as well as various other proposals aimed at increasing judicial efficiency and accessibility. Additionally, he bolstered our state's judiciary with the creation of almost 30 new courts across the state – including two in Collin County. With our exploding population growth, coupled with the substantial case backlog as a result of COVID, these new Courts will go a long way to ensuring continued and unabated access to justice for each and every Texan.

Over the years, Jeff has worked diligently to tackle our state's skyrocketing property taxes while making historic investments in and reforms to public education. In 2019, he authored and passed the landmark legislation giving way to "Proposition 4" – the constitutional amendment banning the imposition of a state income tax on individuals. He has been a staunch supporter of your second amendment rights and faithfully guarded your religious freedom. This past session, Jeff authored and passed SJR 27, known as Proposition 3 on November's ballot. This amendment, which was overwhelmingly approved by Texans, will strengthen our religious freedom by changing the state Constitution to include a ban on local officials closing houses of worship. Jeff has also worked tirelessly to advance legislation to protect small businesses from crippling lawsuits, been a champion for innocent life, guarded free speech rights, advocated for victims of sexual abuse and human trafficking, supported our law enforcement, reformed Texas' energy grid, and advanced smart, free-market policies to ensure that the Texas economy remains robust. For the interim, Representative Leach has been appointed by Speaker Phelan to serve on the House Committee on Youth Health & Safety. This committee is charged with exploring and developing reforms on many important issues affecting the health, safety and rights of our young Texans.

Born and raised in Plano, Representative Leach graduated from Plano Senior High before attending Baylor University. He earned his law degree from Southern Methodist University's Dedman School of Law, and currently practices at the law firm of Gray Reed & McGraw LLP in Dallas. Named a "Rising Star" by Texas Super Lawyer, Jeff specializes in complex commercial and civil litigation, construction law and real estate. Most recently, Representative Leach was named as a "Friend of the Judiciary" by the State Bar of Texas and was recognized as a "2019 Legislator of the Year" by the Texas Civil Justice League. Jeff serves on the Board of Trustees for Houston Baptist University, on the Texas Judicial Council and as a board member of the Texas Conservative Coalition Research Institute. In January 2021, he was appointed to serve on the Board of Directors of the Prestonwood Pregnancy Center. Jeff and his wife Becky, a speaker, writer and artist, are the proud parents of Brady (age 13), Charlotte (age 11) and Landry (age 7).

In addition to service with numerous other community organizations, Jeff and Becky are active members of Prestonwood Baptist Church, where they have served for several years in the Young Families Ministry.