Representative Robert R. Cupp

4th House District

Bob Cupp grew up working on his family's farm in rural Allen County. A graduate of Columbus Grove Local schools, he earned his political science and law degrees from Ohio Northern University.

Representative Bob Cupp has served as an elected official in all three branches of government and at both the local and state levels: as an Allen County commissioner, a four-term state senator, a court-of-appeals judge, and a justice of the Supreme Court of Ohio. He also served as a city prosecutor, and, most recently, Chief Legal Counsel to Ohio Auditor of State, Dave Yost.

In the Senate, Bob served two terms as the President Pro Tem., the Senate's 2nd highest leader. For his legislative accomplishments, he received numerous "Legislator of the Year" awards from various organizations, was named a recipient of the "Watchdog of the Treasury Award" five times and was awarded the prestigious "Guardian of Small Business Award" from NFIB/Ohio.

In addition to his public service, Bob engaged in the private practice of law in Lima for more than 25 years and has taught courses in leadership studies, judicial process, and state education policy at Ohio Northern University.

He is the recipient of the State 4-H Alumni Award; past president of the 13-county Black Swamp Area Boy Scout Council; a member of Lima Trinity United Methodist Church, and the Allen County Farm Bureau.

Bob's wife, Libby, is a retired educator, who focused her efforts on career and economic education. She is a past state Vocational Education Teacher of the Year award recipient. They jointly received the Founder's Award from the Ohio Center for Law-related Education. Bob and Libby have two grown sons, both of whom are Eagle Scouts; and two grandchildren.

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