



Vanessa LaFranco
Of New Jersey
NFRW 1st VP Elect

Vanessa LaFranco was elected secretary of the National Federation of Republican Women (NFRW) at the 40th Biennial Convention in Indianapolis and took office in January 2020. She is the director of NFRW Region 2, which includes Arizona, California, Hawaii, Nevada and Utah. She also is the advisor to the NFRW Fundraising and Corporate Fundraising committees, liaison to College and Young Republicans, and coordinator of the NFRW Finance Oversight Initiative. She also serves on special committees for the NFRW 2021 Convention and the NFRW Business Plan.

Previously, Vanessa served on the NFRW Executive Committee as treasurer.

In 2013 and again in 2015, Vanessa was unanimously elected by the New Jersey Federation of Republican Women, becoming their youngest President since the organization was founded in 1929. Over the past 12 years, she has served as Vice President, Secretary, and was a member of their Board of Governors. In 2014 and 2016, she was appointed to the National Federation's Campaign Committee.

In 2015 she received the Ronald Reagan Award, given by the NFRW in recognition of her leadership, initiation of new programs, increased statewide membership, excellence in public relations and her campaign successes. Vanessa has increased her membership exponentially and more than doubled the assets of the NJFRW.

Under her Presidency, she instituted a policy by which each of the current female members of the NJ Federation who were running for office received a campaign contribution. Through this initiative, the NJFRW financially supported over 200 of its member candidates.

Princeton University recognized Vanessa's academic prowess in foreign languages. While in high school, she was offered the opportunity to attend daily language classes with Princeton's undergraduates, which she completed with academic distinction. Selecting from Ivy League colleges, Vanessa chose an urban setting, graduating from the University of Pennsylvania, and was a leader in the UPenn College Republicans. She interned with NJ Congressman Chris Smith, Chairman of the Helsinki Commission, and gained greater insight regarding the importance of early and precise political advice, was taught how to graciously fundraise, attenuated her advocacy skills, and gained the political astuteness necessary to solidly build strong political constituencies. In 2012, Vanessa was a NJ Delegate to the RNC Convention.

Vanessa has worked in finance with Morgan Stanley and The Royal Bank of Canada, managing the financial assets, trusts, and estates of private clients. She has served on numerous non-profit Boards, including the Tony Award winning McCarter Theatre, the Washington-Rochambeau Society, and the Princeton University Art Museum. She has been named as one of Save Jersey's 2021 Right Women to Watch.



Ed Husmann currently owns & operates Ed's Apples in Sultan and has for over 40 + years. Ed has a Bachelor's degree in Metallurgical Engineering from the University of Nevada and earned a teaching degree from Trenton State Teachers College and Rutgers University while teaching science and math in New Jersey. Ed is a veteran Naval Pilot (Viet Nam) & Retired Commander, USNR. Ed is also a retired Captain for United Airlines of 30 years. Ed is currently serving his 3rd term on the Sultan School board. He previously served on the Washington Farm Bureau Board of directors and President of the Snohomish County Farm Bureau and President of the Property Rights Alliance. Ed has been a citizen activist for land rights for last 30 + years.

Ed and his wife Roxanne 8 children and 20 grandchildren.

Tracy Tribbett, Attorney

I am a recent convert of the Lord's blessed to do His will. I am passionate about civil liberties and the encroachment of agency law unto the people's rights. I live in Pasco, WA with my two beautiful children and am grateful to my Lord and Savior for giving me life.



Sudie Parker, a rural Washington native has always believed in self-reliance, resiliency, and living a fearless life. She wears many hats as a mother, community investor, ordained minister, and volunteer. After attending university to study environmental biology and chemistry she was recruited to the software world where she was able to retire early in 2001. Since retirement she has started a successful business, earned her Coastal/Sail/Tow 25 Ton Merchant Mariner credentials, became a NAUI certified Divemaster, taught homesteading skills through the North Olympic Library System, and was elected to the Board of Directors for the Raymond Davis Foundation where she has served as a grant administrator for the last 10 years. She became an ordained minister under the CAC November 2010 after several years of spiritual service and advocacy for the elderly, and currently serves incarcerated women at WCCW in Gig Harbor. In 2016/7 she earned her handgun, rifle, and advanced Instructor certifications with the NRA after seeing so many women who were struggling with balancing their fears of firearms with the desire to become self-reliant for their safety.

Empowering fearless, resilient women through education and direct mentoring has been a central theme in her roles the last 20 years and continues to drive her community involvement.



Michelle's philosophy of customer first and providing for her community is deeply rooted in her past and she applies this to her activism work. Originally from Vietnam, the incredible hardships she witnessed first-hand and the challenges of immigrating to the U.S. have given Michelle a resolve to work with integrity and strong conviction in order to give both her own children a firm foundation. Michelle has five amazing daughters (Grace, Hope, Faith, Joy and

Liv), and dedicates much of her time to them outside of her real estate work and activism work. Having overcome her own hardships and struggle, Michelle also enjoys reading biographies of people who have triumphed over adversity, carving out wonderful lives for themselves, as well as the world around them.

-A legal refugee from Communist Vietnam

-Graduated from the Univ of WA with a BA in Business Administration and Accounting

-Own an insurance agency and a real estate investor/broker for 21 yrs.

-Has 5 girls between the ages of 9-17 yrs. of age

-a Board Member of Boat People SOS, a nonprofit organization established in 1981 devoted to Vietnamese American civic and political activism.

-Vice President of the Vietnamese American Community in Snohomish and King Counties

-State Executive Board Member Region 8

-Founder of Wa4change, a grassroots nonprofit organization. Its mission is to engage the citizens of the State of Washington to form a coalition in voting for change in the government.