



MEET JOHN JAMES

John James has lived his life placing service before self. As a combat veteran, businessman, husband and father, John believes Michigan deserves a U.S. Senator dedicated to achieving tangible results and protect our freedoms for the next generation.

As a teenager, John decided to serve his country in the U.S Army. He became a Ranger-qualified aviation officer after graduating from West Point. John served with distinction in Operation Iraqi Freedom where he logged more than 753 combat flight hours, leading two Apache helicopter platoons. He earned a Combat Action Badge (CAB) and two Air Medals during his service.

While James was serving in Iraq, the recession was hitting Michigan hard and Detroit harder. He was moved by news reports of the impact of the Great Recession back home. He saw images of Michigan that looked worse than war-torn Baghdad. So, James came home to serve in a different way: as a job provider.

After eight years of service to the nation, John James was honorably discharged and returned to Michigan to work in the family business, James Group International. As President, John James grew the company into a major trading partner with Michigan's auto industry. In addition to leading the family business, John served on Governor Rick Snyder's mobility council and Veterans Trust Fund board. He currently serves on Detroit Mayor Duggan's Workforce Development Council and on the board of the Jalen Rose Leadership Academy.

John and his wife, Liz, are deeply invested in Michigan's success. Both native Michiganders, they have made their family home in Farmington Hills, where they are raising their three boys. Throughout his life, John James found ways to serve his nation and his community, as a soldier, job creator, and Christian. Now, John looks forward to serving his country and protecting our Constitutional freedoms as a member of the U.S. Senate. John is a conservative outsider who is ready to lead Michigan into the next generation.