

Zoe Lofgren has been a Democratic member of the United States House of Representatives since 1995. She represents the 18th District of California, which serves communities in Monterey, San Benito, Santa Clara, and Santa Cruz counties.

A lifelong Bay Area resident and the daughter of a truck driver and a cafeteria cook and, later, secretary. Zoe attended public schools and attended Stanford University on a California State Scholarship, graduating with a bachelor's degree in political science in 1970. After graduating from Stanford, she attended Santa Clara University School of Law with the help of a scholarship, graduating cum laude in 1975. She served as a member of Congressman Don Edwards' staff for eight



years in both his San Jose and Washington DC offices. Zoe practiced and taught immigration law, and was a founder and first executive director of the nonprofit Community Housing Developers. She was first elected to the San Jose Evergreen Community College Board in 1979. In 1980, she was elected to the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors, where she served for 14 years. Following Congressman Don Edwards' retirement in 1994 after 32 years in Congress, Zoe was elected to the House of Representatives.

She is currently the Ranking Member of the House Science, Space and Technology Committee and serves on the House Judiciary Committee. Zoe is also the elected Chair of the California Democratic Congressional Delegation. It is the most diverse delegation in the House and outnumbers all other state House delegations.

Zoe is known for her steadfast advocacy for immigrant communities and her expertise on U.S. immigration law and policy, as well as for her work on issues related to innovation and technology. As a former member of the Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack on the United States Capitol, service as a House Manager in the 2020 impeachment trial of Donald Trump, and former Chair of the Committee on House Administration, Zoe is recognized as a leader on anti-corruption, campaign finance, and pro-democracy reforms and investigations.

Zoe is married to John Marshall Collins, is the mother of two, and the grandmother of three.