

Sen. Kelly Seyarto (CA032 R)

State Senator from CA Senate District 32



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Legal Name: Dennis Kelly Seyarto
Nickname: Kelly
Ethnicity: White/Caucasian
Gender: Male

Political Party: Republican Party - Minority
Elected: First elected in 2022 - 62% of vote last election
Seniority: 23 of 40
Terms Served: Currently serving first term
Next Election: 2026
Reelection Status: This legislator may run for reelection

Born: La Puente, CA
Residence: Murrieta, CA
Family: Married; 3 children
Spouse: Denise Esprabens

Education: Mount San Antonio College (TX), Associate of Science in Fire Science, 1981; California State University, Los Angeles, Bachelor of Science in Fire Administration and Technology, 1989; California State University, Long Beach, Master of Public Administration, (with honors), 1996; California League of Cities Leadership Academy, Completion of all Levels (3 Torch Recipient)

Occupations: Law Enforcement - Firefighter, La Verne Fire Department, 1980 - 1983; Law Enforcement - Firefighter to Battalion Chief, Inglewood Fire Department (now Los Angeles County Fire Department), (Retired), 1983 - 2015

Political Experience: Commissioner, Murrieta City Public Safety Commission, 1996 - 1997; Member (1997-2006), (2016-2020), Murrieta City Council; Member, Western Riverside Council of Governments (WRCOG), 1999 - 2006; Member (1999-2006), Chair (2003, 2004), Riverside County Habitat Conservation Agency (RCHCA); Former Mayor, Murrieta City, (2000, 2003, 2006, 2019); Member (2000-2006), Chair (2005), Member, League of California Cities Public Safety Committee, 2016 - Current; Member, (2004, 2005), Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC); Member, (2003-2006), Chair (2005), Regional Conservation Authority (RCA); President, League of California Cities Mayors and Councilmembers Department, 2018 - 2019; Member, League of California Cities Riverside Division Western Board of Directors, 2019; Member (CA067 R), CA State Assembly, 2020 - 2022; Vice Chair, CA State Assembly Committee on Elections, 2022; Vice Chair, CA State Assembly Committee on Emergency Management, 2022; Vice Chair, CA State Assembly Committee on Housing and Community Development, 2022

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Senate Transportation
Senate Select CA's Wine Industry

Biography: Kelly Seyarto was elected to serve the 32nd State Senate District in 2022. He previously served the 67th State Assembly District from 2020-2022.

He is a retired firefighter who served numerous Southern California communities during a career that spanned 35 years. He began his career as a Firefighter/Paramedic for the Inglewood Fire Department and retired at the rank of Battalion Chief from the Los Angeles County Fire Department in 2015.

In 1991, Kelly and his wife Denise moved to Murrieta. Kelly was first elected to the Murrieta City Council in 1997 and served through 2006. Choosing to spend more time with his family and focus on his career in the fire service, Kelly declined to run for reelection in 2006 but returned to serve the City of Murrieta again in 2016 after he retired. He served as Mayor four times during his tenure on the City Council.

In addition to his public service over the years, Kelly has been a community leader and



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Biography: advocate for nonprofit and community organizations which included serving on the Board of Directors for the Boys and Girls Club. He also represented the City as a Board member of the League of California Cities Public Safety Committee, the Western Riverside Council of Governments, the Riverside Conservation Agency, the Riverside County Habitat Conservation Agency, The Riverside County Transportation Commission, and served as the President of the California League of Cities Mayors and Councils Department in 2020.

Kelly obtained his Associates of Science in Fire Science from Mt. San Antonio College, a Bachelor's of Science in Fire Administration and Technology from CSU Los Angeles, and a Master of Public Administration degree from CSU Long Beach.

Kelly and Denise have been married since 1987 and they have three daughters.