

Bolinsky Bio–

State Representative Mitch Bolinsky is serving his third term in the Connecticut General Assembly, proudly representing his hometown, Newtown.

He is an Assistant Republican Leader and serves on the legislature's powerful [Appropriations](#) Committee, [Education](#) Committee, and [Aging](#) Committee. Representative Bolinsky is dedicated to providing caring constituent service to the children, families, seniors and businesses in town. His focus on economic development and job creation has made him a highly effective advocate for the people of the 106th District.

Some highlights of Rep. Bolinsky's accomplishments in office include:

- Privacy protections & considerations for local families and first responders after 12/14.
- Securing a public hearing for local voices in the Common Core implementation debate.
- Representing concerns from children, parents & teachers about aggressive, state-imposed testing practices, how data will be used and student data privacy issues.
- Championing the landmark "CARE Act" for seniors in Connecticut.
- Serving as an active advocate for children and adults with autism and intellectual and developmental disabilities, and for the early diagnosis of dyslexia.
- Preserved Newtown's historic Horse Guard.
- Securing millions of dollars in state grants for school safety, infrastructure & local construction projects including Hawleyville Sewers and Fairfield Hills Streetscape.
- Working for families, neighborhoods & community through responsive, caring constituent service.

Before joining the state legislature, Rep. Bolinsky established a long record of service to his community and has held a number of local offices. In 2011, he was elected to serve as a Legislative Councilman, a position he held until his election to the General Assembly. On the Legislative Council, Bolinsky served on the Finance & Administration Subcommittee and as Vice Chairman of the Ordinance Subcommittee.

Prior to this, he served on Newtown's Economic Development Commission for two terms, on Newtown's Board of Ethics for two terms and concurrently is serving as a local Justice of the Peace. It was these and other community service roles that contributed to his passion for public service and for leading, organizing and promoting positive values within the community.

Rep. Bolinsky believes that one of the keys to Connecticut's and Newtown's future will be our return to a less burdensome, less-regulating government that does not presume to pick winners but instead rewards entrepreneurial spirit and helps remove barriers to growth and innovation. The essential services needed to thrive as a community are better funded by a thriving state and local economy than through the current governor's administration's stale, economy-busting imposition of more and more taxes and our structural over-reliance on property taxes.

Prior to being elected, Rep. Bolinsky worked more than 27 years in the private sector, including the last five years as Principal of M-Vision Insights, a marketing and regulatory affairs consultancy. In that role he helped to advise and provide research and analytical insights to small and mid-sized businesses, primarily operating or investing in the American automotive industry.

From 2007 to 2010, Rep. Bolinsky was Director of Marketing and Regulatory Affairs at IDQ/Interdynamics. During that time, he co-authored state and federal legislation to reduce the effects of global-warming and developed an industry-first, consumer-friendly recycling program for automotive air conditioning systems. His work was written into Congress' bipartisan American Clean Energy & Security Act of 2009. As a trade association liaison for the Automotive Refrigeration Products Institute, he collaborated with industry peers, legislators, U.S. and state EPA entities and

consumer advocacy & environmental groups, achieving positive outcomes. Previously, he was a Senior Group Product Manager at ITW/Permatex from 2002 to 2007.

Rep. Bolinsky resides in Newtown with his wife of 30 years, Luisa Fritz-Bolinsky, and children. Their 26-year-old daughter, Rachel, completed her undergrad work at UConn in 2012 and her Masters at the University of Hartford in 2015. She currently is a locally practicing family therapist. Their 21-year-old son, Matthew, currently attends PITT, studying Finance on a "Pre-Law Track". When he's not studying, he interns and does work study.