

# NC State Senator Erica D. Smith

## US Senate 2020 Candidate

### POLITICAL EXPERIENCE

#### **2014–present**

**NC State Senator • Senate District 3 •** Joint Legislative Tech Caucus Chair, Joint Democratic Women’s Caucus Chair, Senate Democratic Caucus Rural Working Group Chair, Immediate Past NC Legislative Black Caucus Chair, Past Chair Joint Legislative Women’s Caucus Chair

#### **2008–2014**

**Board Member • Northampton County Board of Education •** Former Vice-Chair; Board Policy Chair; Board Facilities and Finance Chair

#### **2002–2014**

**Northampton County Democratic Party • County Party Chair; County Party First Vice Chair •** Gaston Precinct Chair and First Vice-Chair; Former Chair and Charter Member of Northampton Democratic Women; Former NCDP-AAC First Vice-Chair

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### **Greensville, Sussex, Franklin Public Schools (VA) 2005 –2019**

- Secondary Math Instructional Specialist, Division Teacher of the Year (2013) Former Teacher, Secondary Math, Chemistry, Physics

#### **Northampton County Public Schools (NC), Gaston, NC 2003 –2005**

- Secondary Math; Math Department Chair

#### **U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Arlington, Virginia 1998 - 2003**

- Patent Examiner - Chemical Engineering Tech Center  
100% Affirm Rate with Patent Board of Appeals and Interferences

#### **Boeing – Defense and Space, Kent, Washington 1990 - 1997**

- Senior Specialist Engineer, Senior Engineer, Design Engineer, Student Engineer – Research Development & Design – Materials and Structures, Dark Star, 767AWACS, HSCT, Electron Beam Curing Mars Mission Composite Control (NASA); Inaugural Boeing Scholar NCATSU (1990)

#### **Newport News (Northrup Grumman) Shipbuilding Summer 1989**

- Student Engineer, Piping Design on Overhaul Systems for USS Dwight D. Eisenhower and USS Theodore Roosevelt Aircraft Carriers (Carrier Vessel Nuclear, CVN 69, CVN71)



Campaign Headquarters  
709 W. Johnson Ste. 206  
Raleigh, NC 27603



704-378-8726



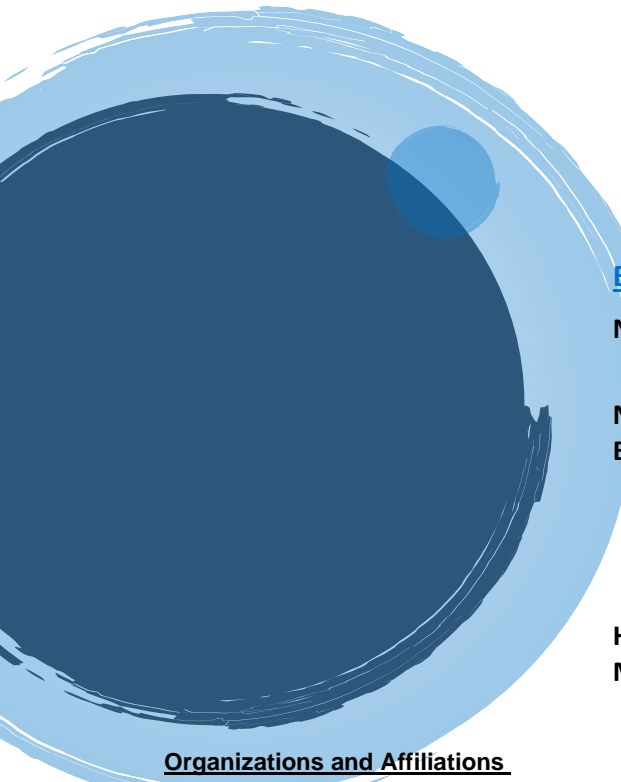
[Erica@EricaforUS.com](mailto:Erica@EricaforUS.com)  
[Senatorerica@gmail.com](mailto:Senatorerica@gmail.com)



[www.ericaforus.com](http://www.ericaforus.com)

### DEMOGRAPHICS

- Born: Fort Bragg, NC
- Parents: Father - Retired M. Sgt, (deceased), Mother resides in Gaston, NC
- 50 years old
- Four children (one deceased), 1 dog
- Five siblings (3 Engineers, 2 Educators)



## EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE

### **North Carolina School of Science and Math, H.S. Diploma 1988**

- Residential High School for Academically Gifted Students

### **N.C. Agricultural & Technical State University, 1994 B.S., Mechanical Engineering**

- Student Body President, SGA, 1992-1993
- Pi Tau Sigma Mechanical Engineering Honor Fraternity
- University Marching Band, Chaplain 1990-1992

### **Howard University School of Divinity, 2000 M.A., Religious Studies**

- Highest Honors, Class of 2000, MARS Candidates
- Seminarians Interacting, NCCJ Fellow
- Homiletic and Hermeneutic Scholar Awards, American Biblical Society

### **Eastern NC Christian College and Theological Seminary, 2007 Doctorate of Ministry *Honoris Causa***

### **Virginia State University, 2010 Virginia Professional Educator Certifications, Commonwealth of VA**

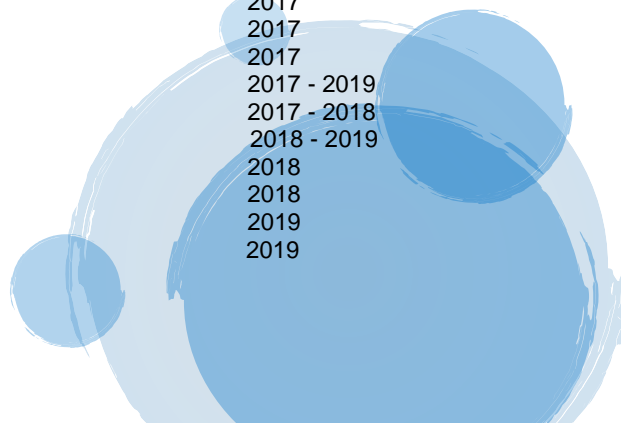
## Ecumenical Leadership

Licensed 2001 Cool Spring Missionary Baptist Church  
 Ordained 2002 Northampton County & Vicinity Missionary Baptist Association (NCVMBA) ; NC General Baptist State Convention, National Baptist USA  
 Assistant Pastor 2003-2011 Patillo Chapel Missionary Baptist Church  
 First Vice Moderator 2009-2011 NCVMBA  
 Second Vice Moderator 2004-2009 NCVMBA

## Honors, Awards, Distinctions and Recognitions

Freshman Legislator of the year, EMPAC  
 Political Courage Award, Lillian's List  
 Rising Star, Green Tie, League of Conservation Voters  
 Co-Chair, Joint Democratic Women's Caucus  
 Co-Chair, Joint Legislative Women's Caucus  
 Second Vice-Chair, NC Legislative Black Caucus  
 Chair, NC Legislative Black Caucus  
 Senator of the Year, Green Tie, League of Conservation Voters  
 Senator of the Year, National Organization of Women-NC  
 Senator of the Year, Sustainable Energy Association  
 Woman of Political Influence – NC Chapter of United Nations Women

2015-2016  
 2017  
 2017  
 2017  
 2017 - 2019  
 2017 - 2018  
 2018 - 2019  
 2018  
 2018  
 2019  
 2019



## Organizations and Affiliations

- SPEEA, Society of Professional Engineering Employees in Aerospace Member and Union Representative 1993 - 1998
- United States Patent and Trade Office, Member, Patent Office Professional Association (POPA) 1998 - 2003
- Virginia Education Association (VEA) and National Education Association (NEA)
- Greenville Education Association, Treasurer (2009-2011)
- Blacks In Government (BIG) PTO Chapter Pres. 2000-02
- NAACP, 2000-present