

The Honorable Condoleezza Rice

Former Secretary of State and National Security Advisor



Condoleezza Rice is currently the Denning Professor in Global Business and the Economy at the Stanford Graduate School of Business, Thomas and Barbara Stephenson Senior Fellow on Public Policy at the Hoover Institution, and professor of Political Science at Stanford University. She is also a founding partner of RiceHadleyGates, LLC.

From January 2005 to 2009, Secretary Rice served as the 66th Secretary of State of the United States, the second woman and first African American woman to hold the post. She also served as President George W. Bush's Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs (National Security Advisor) from January 2001 to 2005, the first woman to hold the position.

Secretary Rice was Stanford University's Provost from 1993 to 1999, during which she was the institution's chief budget and academic officer. As Provost, she was responsible for a \$1.5 billion annual budget and the academic program involving 1,400 faculty members and 14,000 students. Secretary Rice has been on the Stanford faculty since 1981 and has won two of the highest teaching honors – the 1984 Walter J. Gores Award for Excellence in Teaching and the 1993 School of Humanities and Sciences Dean's Award for Distinguished Teaching.

From 1989 through March 1991, Secretary Rice served on President George H.W. Bush's National Security Council staff as director and senior director of Soviet and East European Affairs, and as Special Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs. In 1986, while an international affairs fellow of the Council on Foreign Relations, she also served as Special Assistant to the Director of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

She has authored and co-authored numerous books, including two bestsellers, *No Higher Honor: A Memoir of My Years in Washington* (2011) and *Extraordinary, Ordinary People: A Memoir of Family* (2010); as well as *Political Risk* (2018) with Amy Zegart; *Democracy: Stories from the Long Road to Freedom* (2017); *Germany Unified and Europe Transformed: A Study in Statecraft* (1995) with Philip Zelikow; *The Gorbachev Era* (1986) with Alexander Dallin; and *Uncertain Allegiance: The Soviet Union and the Czechoslovak Army* (1984).

In 1991, Secretary Rice cofounded the Center for a New Generation (CNG), an innovative, after-school academic enrichment program for students in East Palo Alto and East Menlo Park, California. CNG has since expanded with chapters in Birmingham, Atlanta, and Dallas.

Since 2009, she has served as a founding partner at RiceHadleyGates, LLC, an international strategic consulting firm in Silicon Valley and Washington, D.C. The firm works with senior executives of major companies to implement strategic plans and expand in emerging markets. Other partners include former National Security Advisor Stephen J. Hadley and former Secretary of Defense Robert M. Gates.

Secretary Rice currently serves on the board of Dropbox; C3, an energy software company; and Makena Capital, a private endowment firm. She is also on the boards of the George W. Bush Institute, Commonwealth Club, Aspen Institute, and Boys and Girls Clubs of America. She has served on several other corporate and non-profit boards.

Born in Birmingham, Alabama, and currently residing in Stanford, California, Secretary Rice earned her B.A. in political science, *cum laude* and Phi Beta Kappa, from the University of Denver; her M.A. from the University of Notre Dame; and her Ph.D. from the Graduate School of International Studies at the University of Denver. She is a Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and has been awarded thirteen honorary doctorates.