Don Davis (NC-1)

Background
Veteran, minister, academic, and former state and local official elected to replace longtime Rep. GK Butterfield (D-NC) in Congress
Graduated from the US Air Force Academy and spent his early career as an officer before getting involved in politics
Served as mayor of his hometown Snow Hill, North Carolina, for nearly a decade; he began his term in 2001 at age 29 and chaired the Democratic Party for the surrounding congressional district
Began teaching while serving as mayor, primarily instructing sociology classes at local colleges and universities
First elected to state Senate in 2008, he lost the following cycle before winning his seat back in 2012; while in office, he has focused on expanding Medicaid, increasing the minimum wage, raising pay for state employees, and reforming the juvenile justice system to improve recidivism rates
Opted to run for Congress after longtime Rep. GK Butterfield (D-NC) announced his retirement; Davis earned Butterfield's endorsement, and successfully fended off a challenge from the left
Though Davis' district still leans Democratic, redistricting shifted more GOP-friendly Albemarle Sound-adjacent precincts into the district, making it more competitive than in past election cycles

Biography
BIRTH DATE
08/29/1971
EDUCATION
BS, Social Sciences, United States Air Force Academy, 1990-1994; Attended, Commissioned Lay Pastor Program, Presbyterian Church United States of America; EdD, Educational Leadership, East Carolina Univ.; MA, Sociology, East Carolina Univ.; MS, Administration, Central Michigan Univ.
FAMILY
Wife: Yuvonka; 3 Children: Ryan, Justin, Kyler

District Profile
COOK PVI 2022 VOTE RATING DISTRICT LOCATION
D+2 Likely D Inland northeastern North Carolina

Election Results
2022 GENERAL
Davis 52%
Smith 48%