



## Commission on the National Defense Strategy for the United States



**Senator Jon L. Kyl (R-AZ)** was appointed to the Commission by Senate Armed Services Committee Chairman John McCain (R-AZ).

Senator Kyl currently advises companies on domestic and international policies that influence U.S. and multi-national businesses and assists corporate clients on tax, health care, defense, national security and intellectual property matters among others. He retired from Congress in January 2013 as the second-highest ranking Republican senator.

During Senator Kyl's 26 years in Congress, he built a reputation for mastering the complexities of legislative policy and coalition building, first in the House of Representatives and then in the Senate. In 2006, he was recognized by Time magazine as one of as one of America's Ten Best Senators. Kyl was ranked by National Journal in 2007 as the fourth-most conservative U.S. Senator. In 2010, Time magazine called him one of the 100 most influential people in the world, noting his "encyclopedic knowledge of domestic and foreign policy, and his hard work and leadership" and his "power to persuade."

Senator Kyl sat on the powerful Senate Finance Committee where he was the top Republican on the Subcommittee on Taxation and Internal Revenue Service Oversight. The senator also served as the ranking Republican on the Senate Judiciary Committee's Subcommittee on Crime and Terrorism. A member of the Republican Leadership for well over a decade, Senator Kyl chaired the Senate Republican Policy Committee and the Senate Republican Conference, before becoming Senate Republican Whip.