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## Congress Honors Husch Blackwell's Ike Skelton with Portrait Unveiling

### **Skelton Recognized for His Career in Public Service**

Husch Blackwell Partner Ike Skelton will be honored on Monday, March 5 with an official unveiling of his portrait on Capitol Hill, paying homage to his 32 years as a member of the House Armed Services Committee, including 4 years as Chairman. The unveiling ceremony will take place in the Cannon Caucus Room of the Cannon House Office Building, and Skelton's portrait will later be hung in the Armed Services Committee Room.

The Armed Services Committee is one of the largest and most powerful congressional committees holding jurisdiction over many matters, including U.S. defense policy, research and development of weapons systems, and all the military services. The Constitution grants Congress the power to declare war, to raise and support armies and to provide and maintain a Navy, and the Armed Services Committee has the responsibility to oversee those obligations for Congress. As Chairman of the Committee in a time of war, Skelton shouldered tremendous responsibility and served diligently.

Prior to joining Husch Blackwell, Skelton served the state of Missouri for 34 years as a U.S. Representative from the 4th District, and before that as a State Senator for six years. Skelton concentrates his practice in the area of Government Contracts and matters relating to national defense.