

**Hon. Michael Lee** served as a North Carolina State Senator from 2014-2018 and has been serving again as a North Carolina Senator since 2021. He is the co-chair of the NC Senate Education Policy Committee and Base Budget Committee. Additionally, Senator Lee is a member of the following NC Senate Committees: Commerce and Insurance, Health Care, Judiciary, Rules and Operations, and the Select Committee on Nominations. Senator Lee was elected Majority Leader of the North Carolina Senate in April 2025.

Prior to his tenure in the NC Senate, Michael served on the NCDOT Board of Transportation and Chaired the NC Port Authority.

Outside of his legislative roles, Michael contributes his expertise to several organizations. He serves on the Board of Directors for The Hunt Institute and is a Hunt Kean Fellow. He is also an Advisory Board Member for the South State Bank, and a member of the Education Commission of the States and the Education Committee of the Council of State Governments Southern Office.

As a practicing lawyer, Michael has been recognized for his numerous achievements including being listed in *The Best Lawyers of America* directory, receiving *Business North Carolina Magazine*'s Legal Elite designation, and being named a Super Lawyer by *Law & Politics Magazine*.

Michael is the father of four children and has been a resident of the Cape Fear Region for over 24 years. Michael is a graduate of UNC-CH and obtained his law degree with honors from Wake Forest University.