

Senate District 5 Michael J. Machado, D-Linden

- BA, Economics, Stanford University
- ♦ MA, Agricultural Economics, UC Davis
- UC Davis is in this district

Political Profile

- ♦ President, San Joaquin Farm Bureau
- Vice-Chair, Board of Directors for Tri-Valley Growers Agricultural Cooperative
- ♦ State Assembly, 1994-2000
- ♦ First elected to the State Senate in 2000

Legislative Committees*

Standing Committees:

- ♦ Chair, Agriculture & Water Resources
- Appropriations
- Business & Professions
- ♦ Governmental Organization
- Local Government

Select Committees:

- ◆ Chair, Delta Resources and Development
- Air Quality in the Central Valley
- ♦ California Correctional System
- California's Wine Industry
- Capital Area Flood Protection
- ♦ Central Valley Economic Development
- Defense & Aerospace Industry
- Urban Economic Development

[*As of May, 2004]

UC in the District

UC Alumni in District: 17,231 UC Faculty in District: 339 UC Staff in District: 2,432

Biography**

Senator Michael J. Machado is the owner of a diversified family farming operation in San Joaquin County. He graduated from Stanford University with a Bachelor's degree in Economics and received a Masters degree from the **University of California**, **Davis** in Agricultural Economics.

Senator Machado served as an officer in the United States Navy in Vietnam. Married for 30 years, he and his wife, Diana, have three children: Erahm, Melissa and Chris, their eldest son who died in a farm accident in 1998. The family resides in Linden, California.

Prior to his election to the Legislature, Senator Machado served as Vice-Chair of the Board of Directors for Tri-Valley Growers, one of the nation's largest agricultural cooperatives and food processing operations, and served as President during his long tenure with the San Joaquin Farm Bureau.

As a moderate in the Assembly, Senator Machado was a major player in building bipartisan consensus to help successfully move many key pieces of legislation, including support of educational reforms, sensible environment regulations, and tax cuts leading to increased economic development opportunities for all Californians.

Successful in placing a water bond on the March 2000 ballot, Senator Machado is a statewide leader in bringing together California's diverse water interests. Under his leadership, he has directed these interests to develop a comprehensive plan that will increase water supply, improve water quality and restore the

integrity of California's vital water delivery system.

[**Information obtained from Senator Mike Machado's website www.senate.ca.gov]

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