

Joe DioGuardi
American Politician



Description

Joseph John DioGuardi is an American certified public accountant and a Republican politician. DioGuardi served in the House of Representatives representing the 20th Congressional district of New York from 1985 to 1989. [Wikipedia](#)

Born: September 20, 1940 (age 78 years), [New York, NY](#)

Nationality: American

Spouse: [Carol DioGuardi](#)

Education: [Fordham University](#)

Children: [Kara DioGuardi](#)

Books: [Unaccountable Congress](#)

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Joe (DioGuardi) the Congressman

In Congress, Joe took the lead in sounding the call for truth in federal budgeting, accounting, and reporting and in bringing financial accountability to Capitol Hill. He was the original author of the Chief Financial Officer's Act, signed by President George Bush in 1990, which mandated the assignment of a CFO to each major department and agency of the U.S. government. Charles Bowshee, former Comptroller General of the General Accounting Office, said in testimony before the U.S. Senate that since the enactment of the bill, "we have seen important progress in directly confronting serious financial management weaknesses."

Joe has distinguished himself by finding bipartisan solutions to difficult problems. On issues of local concern, he founded and cochaired the Congressional Long Island Sound and Hudson River Caucuses, which secured vital increases in federal support for these embattled waterways. In 1986, with the late Democratic Congressman Mickey Leland, Joe initiated legislation to confer Congressional Medals of Honor on Black World War I and World War II military heroes, thereby correcting an historic injustice. More recently, he cofounded with Congressman Jerrold Nadler the New York Task Force for Port, Rail, and Industrial Development in order to restore lost jobs to New York's manufacturing and transportation industries.

Joe is the recipient of numerous awards and honors, including investiture as a Knight of Malta in 1979, the International Humanitarian Award The Boys Towns of Italy in 1986, the Outstanding CPA in Government Award from the New York State Society of CPAs in 1986, the Torch of Liberty Award from the New York State Conservative Party in 1987, the Outstanding Public Service Award from the Westchester County Republican Committee in 1987, the Westchester Irish Committee's Dedication to Peace and Justice Award in 1988, the Paul Harris Fellow Award of the Rotary Foundation of Rotary International in 1988, and the Annual Achievement Award of the Association of Government Accountants, Boston Chapter, in 1992.

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