

## PETE WILSON



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Former California governor Pete Wilson has been a fellow of the Hoover Institution since 1999. From 1991 to 1999, he served as governor of California and, from 1983 to 1991, as a U.S. senator. Earlier, he had served as mayor of San Diego for eleven years and as a California state assemblyman for five years. The holder of a law degree from the University of California, Berkeley, and a former U.S. Marine Corps infantry officer, his Hoover-related interests focus on the relationships between government and the governed, in the areas of education and economic development on the domestic side, and on national security, focusing on ballistic-missile defense and counterterrorism. He is a member of the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board and the U.S. Defense Policy Board Advisory Committee.