

# LOUISIANA PLAYERS IN THE TRUMP IMPEACHMENT INQUIRY

As the U.S. House begins its formal impeachment inquiry into allegations of misconduct against President Donald Trump, some members of Louisiana's congressional delegation could take on major roles.



**U.S. Rep. Cedric Richmond**

D-NEW ORLEANS

Assistant to the House Democratic whip was among the first members to call for Trump's impeachment. Richmond is on the powerful Judiciary Committee that will receive findings from other panels and ultimately handle articles of impeachment if Democrats move forward.



**U.S. House Minority Whip Steve Scalise**

R-JEFFERSON

The No. 2 Republican in the U.S. House has been a key surrogate for Trump, defending the president on national television and providing talking points to other Republicans in the House.



**U.S. Rep. Mike Johnson**

R-BENTON

Constitutional law attorney first elected in 2016, has emerged as a key Republican player on the Judiciary Committee, often receiving opportunities from other members to ask questions in their place because of his direct style and legal knowledge.



**U.S. Rep. Clay Higgins**

R-PORT BARRE

Member of the critical Oversight Committee, one of the six panels that House Speaker Nancy Pelosi has tasked with investigating allegations against Trump.



**U.S. Sen. John Kennedy**

R-MADISONVILLE

The U.S. Senate has no formal role in the impeachment inquiry unless the House votes to impeach, then the Senate holds a trial and votes whether or not to convict. Kennedy has criticized the Democrats' impeachment push.



U.S. Reps. Garret Graves, R-Baton Rouge, and Ralph Abraham, R-Alto, do not serve on the committees that have been charged with handling the initial inquiry, but each would have a vote if articles of impeachment are brought to the House floor.

If the House votes to impeach, U.S. Sen. Bill Cassidy, R-Baton Rouge, would have a vote when the chamber decides whether to convict.

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■ Republican