

# CHANCELLOR GLEN D. JOHNSON

## PROFESSIONAL

Dr. Glen D. Johnson was chancellor of the Oklahoma State System of Higher Education from 2007-2021. He led a state system comprised of 25 state colleges and universities and 10 constituent agencies. Johnson provided leadership on matters relating to standards for Oklahoma higher education, courses and programs of study, budget allocations for institutions, fees and tuition, and strategic planning. The State Regents named Johnson Chancellor Emeritus in September 2021.

## BACKGROUND

Johnson became eighth chancellor of the Oklahoma State System in January 2007 after a national search. Before assuming the role of chancellor, Johnson served as the 16th president of Southeastern Oklahoma State University in Durant for 10 years.

Johnson served as director of public policy and adjunct professor of law at the University of Oklahoma College of Law. Prior to his work at OU, Johnson served in the Oklahoma House of Representatives from 1982 to 1996 and was speaker of the House from 1990 to 1996. At the time of his election as speaker, he was the youngest-sitting speaker in the United States.

## ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS AND HONORS

Johnson is an honors graduate of the University of Oklahoma, with an undergraduate degree in political science and a juris doctorate degree from the OU College of Law. He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa and currently serves on the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity National Foundation board of directors.

Johnson holds memberships in numerous professional, state and national organizations and has been the recipient of many awards and honors during his career. In 2012 he was elected to the Southern Regional Education Board (SREB) and currently serves as vice chairman. In 2014, Johnson was appointed to the Association of Governing Boards of Universities and Colleges (AGB) Council of Presidents. In 2014, he was elected to serve on the State Higher Education Executive Officers (SHEEO) Executive Committee. In 2020, he was appointment to serve on the American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU) Council of State Representatives.

He is a member of the Oklahoma Hall of Fame's Executive Board of Directors and was inducted into the Oklahoma Hall of Fame in November of 2006. He was inducted into the Oklahoma Higher Education Hall of Fame in 2016. He received an Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters from Oklahoma City University in 2009 and has been named as a Life Fellow of The Fellows of the American Bar Foundation. Johnson also received the State Higher Education Executive Officers' (SHEEO) Exceptional Leader Award in July of 2019 and received Leadership Oklahoma's Lifetime Achievement Award in 2020. He was selected for Oklahoma Association of Community Colleges Hall of Fame in November 2021.