



Tom Foley is a highly respected business leader with over 25 years experience as a business owner and executive. Tom started from scratch and made his own way in business. He started the NTC Group in 1985 to acquire under-performing businesses and turn them around. Within ten years, NTC Group grew to employ over 6,000 people. Tom knows what it takes to meet a payroll and keep a business going. Tom believes the same expertise and problem-solving skills he used to manage his businesses can be used to fix our economy and our broken government in Hartford.

Tom has an undergraduate degree in Economics from Harvard and a MBA from Harvard Business School. He has served twice in government and understands how government works. From October of 2006 until January of this year he was the United States Ambassador to Ireland. In 2003 and 2004, the government asked Tom to serve in Iraq overseeing most of Iraq's state-owned businesses and developing a plan for re-establishing a strong private sector economy. Tom earned the Department of Defense Distinguished Public Service Award for his service in Iraq.

The fourth of six children, Tom learned early how to listen. He showed an early interest in fixing things and he liked to venture out. Curious about a bigger world than he was experiencing in school, Tom took a year off at seventeen to work and travel around the country. He worked a construction job and then worked on an assembly line at a can factory where he was member of the union. He zigzagged across the country from Boston to Alaska working and meeting people along the way. Tom knows a lot about what makes this country work and the views, problems, and needs of people from all over.

Throughout Tom's career he has been involved in charitable causes focused on improving educational opportunities for children. Tom served on the board of the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts and was a Trustee of the Kent School in Kent, CT. He was appointed to two Governor's Commissions including the Governor's Commission on Divorce, Custody and Children, which he co-chaired, and the Governor's Commission on Education Finance.

Tom's wife, Leslie, is an attorney who works in New York City. Tom's son, also named Tom, is nineteen and a freshman in college.

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