## LEGISLATIVE BIOGRAPHY — 2009 SESSION



DEAN A. RHOADS

Republican Rural Nevada Senatorial District (Elko, Eureka, Humboldt, Lander, Lincoln, Pershing and White Pine Counties, and portions of Nye County) Rancher



**Born:** 1935 – Tonasket, Washington

Educated: California State Polytechnic College, San Luis Obispo, B.S., Agriculture

Business Management
Married: Sharon Packer
Children: Shammy, Chandra
Military: National Guard

Hobbies/Special Interests: Hunting, fishing, skiing, golfing

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 1977-1981; Nevada Senate, 1985-2009 (first elected November 1976-Nevada Assembly, and November 1984-Nevada Senate)—eleven special and sixteen regular sessions. Majority Whip, 2003-2007. Senate Committees on Commerce and Labor, 2009; Finance, 2003-2009; Chair, Natural Resources, 1995-2007, Member, 2009; Chair, Taxation, 1993, Member, 2007; Chair, Transportation, 1985. Chair, Legislative Committee on Public Lands, 1985-2008; Chair, Legislative Commission's Audit Subcommittee, 2007-2008; Vice Chair, Legislative Committee for the Review and Oversight of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency and the Marlette Lake Water System, 2007-2008; Legislative Committee on High-Level Radioactive Waste, 2007-2008; Interim Finance Committee, 1979-1982, 1987-1990, 1992-1996, 1998-2008; Legislative Commission, 1993-1994, 1999-2000.

**AFFILIATIONS:** Director, American Legislative Exchange Council; Nevada Cattlemen's Association; National Cattlemen's Association; Rotary Club; Nevada Taxpayers Association.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:** Past President, Elko County Fair Board; Past President, Public Lands Council; Nevada State Grazing Board; Bureau of Land Management District Grazing Board; President Ronald Reagan's Federalism Advisory Committee.

