

## 2008 GENERAL ELECTION – Vote November 4

### Colorado – U.S. Senate



#### Democratic

#### Republican

#### Mark Udall

**Political experience:** U.S. Representative, 1999-present; State Representative, 1997-98

**Background:** Was executive director for Colorado Outward Bound School, 1985-95; Educator and mountain guide

**Family & Faith:** Married (Maggie) and has 2 children; raised Presbyterian, unspecified now

**Web:** [www.markudall.com](http://www.markudall.com) (campaign) and [markudall.house.gov](http://markudall.house.gov) (official)

**Campaign Office:** 303-820-2008

**E-mail:** form on campaign website



#### Bob Schaffer

**Political experience:** U.S. Representative, 1997-2003; State Senator, 1987-1996

**Background:** Has owned a small business and worked as a speech writer / press secretary

**Family & Faith:** Married (Maureen) and has 5 children; Catholic

**Web:** [www.bobschafferforsenate.com](http://www.bobschafferforsenate.com) (campaign)

**Campaign Office:** 720-377-1600

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<p>"My view is that we should have a policy of making abortion safe and legal, but rare--and that good information about family planning, contraception, adoption, sexually-transmitted diseases and other reproductive health matters should be a part of our consideration." (campaign website for all)</p>	<p><b>Abortion</b></p>	<p>Voted for the Partial Birth Abortion Ban Act in 2003. Supports parental notification for minors seeking an abortion and making it a crime to harm a fetus while committing other crimes. Opposes transporting minors across state lines to obtain abortions without parental notification.</p>
<p>"I have long been an advocate of renewable energy going back to my early efforts at the state legislature to pass Colorado's first renewable energy efficiency standard. In Congress, I devote a major part of my time to the issue of energy development. It is not only a personal passion; I believe energy is an overarching issue that combines security, prosperity, and environmental quality. If we create a better energy policy for America, we will go far in meeting the challenge of these other issues as well."</p>	<p><b>Energy</b></p>	<p>"Developing more from America's domestic supplies of energy promotes American energy independence, hastens a national transformation to a renewable-energy economy, diminishes the influence of international oil cartels, creates more American jobs, generates more state and local tax revenues for schools and roads, and does more to protect the environment through better industry standards." (campaign website)</p>
<p>"The solution starts with securing our borders. Thousands of people enter our country illegally every day. That's got to stop. The 9/11 Commission made clear that border security needs to be a top national security priority. We need more border patrol agents, better technology to enhance border and port surveillance, and fencing and barriers where law enforcement authorities believe it will be effective."</p>	<p><b>Immigration</b></p>	<p>"Oppose amnesty. Bob Schaffer opposes amnesty – period. Secure the border. Bob believes America's borders must be secured immediately deploying all effective methods necessary – physical barriers, remote sensing, manpower and enhanced port security." "We must reward legal immigration and punish illegal immigration." (campaign website)</p>
<p>"I support the establishment of civil unions and domestic partnership legislation to ensure that the rights of all couples - including inheritance decisions and hospital visitation rights - are protected, regardless of sexual orientation. I have consistently opposed efforts to amend the U.S. Constitution to ban same-sex marriage." (campaign website)</p>	<p><b>Marriage</b></p>	<p>Supports approval of a Federal Marriage Amendment, declaring it to be the unique union of one man and one woman (Baptist Press)</p>
<p>"It is immoral to burden future generations with the obligation to repay our debt, especially when the accumulation of debt is unnecessary. It is possible to eliminate the budget deficit through a bipartisan commitment to balancing the budget with tax and expenditure policies that are fair to American families and workers, but it will not be easy or painless."</p>	<p><b>Spending &amp; Taxes</b></p>	<p>"The tax code should be simpler, flatter and fairer. Excessive taxation cuts deep into economic growth. As a husband and father, a former small business owner and a business executive, Bob Schaffer knows these struggles first hand. Lower, fairer taxes mean individuals, families and small businesses can invest more back into the economy,</p>

**Current Senator Wayne Allard (R) is retiring at the end of the current term in December**

**Sources:** [www.votesmart.org](http://www.votesmart.org), [OnTheIssues.org](http://OnTheIssues.org), campaign websites, and others as listed above