

Raymond Chan

Secretary of State (Asia–Pacific)

Born in 1951 in Hong Kong, Raymond Chan came to Canada in 1969 and became a Canadian citizen in 1974. He received a bachelor of applied science in engineering physics from the University of British Columbia.

As a professional engineer, Mr. Chan worked at the Triumf research centre at the University of British Columbia from 1977 to 1993. A restaurateur, he also owned and operated two small businesses from 1974 to 1989.

In 1989, Mr. Chan founded and chaired the Vancouver Society in Support of Democracy Movement. He is a member of the Mandarin Lions Club and the Dragon Masters Toastmasters Club in Richmond.

Mr. Chan was first elected to the House of Commons in 1993 to represent the British Columbia riding of Richmond and was re-elected in 1997. He was appointed Secretary of State (Asia–Pacific) in 1993 and reappointed in 1997.

Mr. Chan and his wife, Maureen, have two children.