

# AMIT SINGH FOR CONGRESS

## 8<sup>th</sup> District of Virginia 2008 Media Kit



*Vision for the Future*

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## About Amit

Born and raised near Richmond, Virginia, Amit Singh graduated from the University of Virginia with a B.S. in Electrical Engineering. The son of immigrant parents, a professor at Virginia State University and a homemaker, Amit and his younger sister learned the importance of family, community, and hard work.

While at UVA, Amit was the chief engineer of commercial FM radio station, WUVA. He also worked at the Advanced Robotics Manipulator Lab, helping to design software for robotic arms used in complex surgeries.

After graduating and accepting a job working at NASA, Amit moved to Arlington to work at the Department of Defense. A few years later, Amit started his own small business, a technology consulting firm. He works with the U.S. Intelligence Community and our servicemen and servicewomen on a daily basis. Throughout his career, Amit has seen first hand the threats that America faces and has worked to keep our country safe.

Throughout his life, Amit has been a problem solver. As a child he was the household handyman. At NASA he reverse engineered an inefficient \$2 million computer system into a \$2,000 machine capable of running on a normal desktop. This spirit of problem solving continues to this day in his work protecting the nation and working with our servicemen and servicewomen across the globe. Amit will bring this practical, can-do attitude to work for real solutions to the problems Americans face.

### Fast Facts:

- Arlington resident
- Practical problem solver
- Small Businessman – owner and founder of a technology consulting firm
- Experience working with the US Intelligence, National Security, and Defense Communities
- Born and raised in Colonial Heights, Virginia
- B.S. Electrical Engineering from the University of Virginia, 1996
- M.S. Systems Engineering from the Johns Hopkins University, thesis pending

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## Vision for the Future

Amit envisions a less bureaucratic, more efficient, and more transparent government. Less bureaucracy means faster and more responsive care for our veterans. More efficiency means lower taxes, more money in your pocket, and a safer America. More transparency means the people will know which Congressmen are wasting our tax dollars with earmarks, paying for pork instead of ensuring our children's futures.

The current group of politicians is bankrupting our country and leaving our children heavily indebted to foreign nations. A bankrupt country cannot provide any services to its people. A bankrupt country cannot care for those most in need. A bankrupt country cannot protect itself and defend its borders.

### Summary of Stances:

- Respect the Constitution
- Stop government waste
- For smaller, efficient, transparent government
- Promote civil rights and civil liberties
- Solutions to strengthen the economy
- Opposed to the Real ID
- Increased transportation funding for Virginia
- Openly debate earmarks and stop pork barrel spending
- Work to lower taxes to increase consumer purchasing power
- Force the Iraqi leadership to take control of the nation to allow for a reduction in the American presence there
- Reduce the international military footprint, including in Europe and Asia
- Opposed to No Child Left Behind and will return control of the schools to families and teachers
- Promote environmentally friendly policies and research
- Secure the border
- Punish companies that knowingly hire illegal immigrants
- Fix the broken immigration system
- Expand Health Savings Accounts and tax credits

*For more specific issues please refer to [www.Amit08.com](http://www.Amit08.com).*



## Campaign Highlights

- March 12: Amit Singh formally announces candidacy
- March 14: Amit raises over \$9,000 at fundraiser attended by over 60 people
- March 17: Surpasses \$20,000 cash-on-hand monthly fundraising goal
- March 19: Becomes first and only Virginia candidate to sign the Council for Citizens Against Government Waste's "Earmark Reform Pledge"
- March 20: Becomes the first candidate nationwide to sign the "Change Congress" pledge organized by Prof. Lawrence Lessig and Joe Trippi
- April 1: Surpasses adjusted March fundraising goal of \$25,000 with over \$34,000 raised in his first month of campaigning
- April 2: Signs the Americans for Tax Reform's "Taxpayer Reform Pledge"
- April 4: Hosts "Unveiling the Vision" campaign kick-off and filing event in Old Town Alexandria. Attended by over 100 people and members of the media.
- April 15: College students rally around Amit following appearance at George Mason University.
- April 26: Amit meets with about one hundred young supporters from throughout the 8<sup>th</sup> district.
- May 10: Participates in the annual Arlington Neighborhood Day Parade

Endorsements including:

- Bill Lockhart, former Arlington County Republican Committee Chair and 2006 Campaign Manager for Tom O'Donoghue\*
- Chuck Smith, Welcoming Committee Chairman, Republican Party of Virginia\*
- Leslie Carbone, national conservative commentator and former speechwriter for Secretary of Labor Elaine Chao\*
- Republican Liberty Caucus

*\*Affiliation for informational purposes only and does not necessarily reflect the endorsement of the organization listed.*

*For and up-to-date list of events, endorsements, campaign highlights, press coverage, and other media, please refer to [www.Amit08.com](http://www.Amit08.com).*



## Media Coverage

Below is a partial list of newspapers, television, and other media sources that Amit has been featured in:

- *Alexandria Gazette Packet*
- *The Alexandria Times*
- *The American Conservative Magazine*
- *The American Conservative Magazine's* blog
- *The Arlington Sun Gazette*
- Blacknell.net blog
- Bearing Drift blog
- College Republican Federation of Virginia blog
- Crystal Clear Conservative blog
- *Darshan TV*
- *The Fairfax Times*
- The George Mason College Republican blog
- *India Abroad*
- *India This Week*
- *India-West*
- Leslie Carbone blog
- Liberty Maven blog
- myDD: Direct Democracy blog
- North Star Writers Group
- Paul Ibrahim blog
- Power and Politics blog
- *Reason Magazine's* blog
- Red Arizona blog
- Red Virginia blog
- Sepia Mutiny blog
- Too Conservative blog
- *Wake Up America* radio show
- *The Washington Post*