

JAMES CHU-YUL SOONG

PERSONAL

Born on March 16, 1942

Married to Viola Wan-Shui Chen (deceased); one son and one daughter

EDUCATION

Studies

- 1974 Ph.D. in Political Science, Georgetown University, Washington DC, USA
1971 M.S.L.S., Catholic University of America, Washington DC, USA
1967 M.A. in Political Science, University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley CA, USA
1964 LL.B. in Diplomacy, National Chengchi University, Taipei, Republic of China

Teaching

- 1975-1980 Associate Professor, National Taiwan Normal University, Taipei, Republic of China
1975-1978 Associate Professor, National Taiwan University, Taipei, Republic of China
1974 Research Fellow, Institute of International Relations, National Chengchi University, Taipei, Republic of China

Awards

- 1999 Ellsworth Bunker Distinguished Fellow, Asian Foundation, Washington DC, USA
1999 Distinguished Visiting Fellow, Institute of East Asian Studies, University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley CA, USA
1996 Haas International Award, University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley CA, USA
1995 Honorary Doctorate in Law and Government, Catholic University of America, Washington DC, USA
1995 Honorary Doctorate, University of South Australia, Adelaide, Australia
1982 Eisenhower Fellow, USA
2000 Honorary Doctorate, University of Maryland, College Park MD, USA
2003 Honorary Doctorate, Sookmyung Women's University, Seoul, Republic of Korea

CURRENT POST

Chairman of People First Party (since 2000)

EXPERIENCE

- Nov. 2016 The Leader's Representative of Chinese Taipei to the 24th APEC Economic Leaders' Meeting in Lima, Peru
Jan. 2016 The Presidential Candidate nominated by the PFP
Mar. 2004 The Vice-Presidential Candidate nominated by the KMT-PFP Coalition
Mar. 2000 An Independent Presidential Candidate (won over 4.6 million votes, 36.8% of the total)

- Dec. 1994- The only popularly-elected Governor of Taiwan (won 4.7 million votes, 56%
 Dec. 1998 of the total)
- Mar. 1993- Governor of Taiwan, appointed by the Premier and confirmed by Taiwanese
 Dec. 1994 Provincial Assembly
- 1989-1993 Secretary-General, Central Committee, Koumintang (KMT, the ruling party then)
- 1988-1999 Member, Central Standing Committee, KMT
- 1987-1989 Deputy Secretary-General, Central Committee, KMT
- 1984-1987 Director-General, Department of Cultural Affairs, Central Committee, KMT
- 1981-1999 Member, Central Committee, KMT
- 1979-1984 Director-General, Government Information Office and
 Spokesman of the Executive Yuan
- 1978-1989 Personal Secretary to President Chiang, Ching-Kuo
- 1977-1979 Deputy Director-General, Government Information Office, Executive Yuan
- 1974-1977 Personal Secretary to the Premier

DECORATIONS

- May 1985 Order of the Cloud and Banner with Yellow Grand Cordon, Republic of China
- Oct. 1980 Order of Good Hope in the Grand Cross Class, Republic of South Africa
- Sep. 1980 Order of Diplomatic Service Merit, Kwanghwa Medal, Republic of Korea
- Mar. 1980 Order of Brilliant Star with Violet Grand Cordon, Republic of China