Delegate Rich Anderson represents the 51st District of the Virginia House of Delegates and has been a member since 2010.

1) What would you say makes your jurisdiction great? The 51st House District stretches across Prince William County from urban Occoquan in the east to rural Nokesville in the west. It is diverse in terms of economic status, race, religion, national origin, career fields, and political perspectives. The 51st is chocked full of people with a world-class work ethic, a superb school system, and diverse business base. I am fortunate to represent such an area!

2) In 20 words or less, what message would you like to share with the George Mason University community? GMU is a world-class institution that is making lasting contributions to our Commonwealth…keep it up!

3) What reading material is currently on your bedside table? “A Team of Rivals”

4) What was your first job? Immediately after graduating from Virginia Tech in 1979, I spent 30 years in the United States Air Force, retiring from the Pentagon in 2009 as a colonel, and entering public life.

5) What is the biggest challenge facing your jurisdiction today? Jobs and the economy…that’s what my neighbors tell me and it’s what I see every day as I make my way around the district. That’s why I’ve taken an interest in the business community and have carried a number of bills designed to create jobs and bolster our economy.