

BRITTNEY VERDELL (D-HD65)
TEXAS



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METHODOLOGY

- *A review of Google and Nexis for news articles and blog posts related to Verdell.*
- *A review of Verdell's social media accounts.*
- *A review of videos of Verdell available online.*
- *Publicly available public records, including property records, business records, and criminal records.*
- *A review of Verdell's campaign finance reports.*
- *A review of Verdell's professional life, including public records requests related to her work at multiple public institutions/agencies.*

TIMELINE

October 10, 1990 – Born. (Nexis Public Records, Accessed 2/1/22)

2013 – Graduated from Texas Woman's University. ([LinkedIn](#), Accessed 11/27/22)

August 2013 – August 2018 – CPS Supervisor at the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services. ([LinkedIn](#), Accessed 11/27/22)

2016 – Graduated from the University of Texas at Arlington with a degree in Social Work. ([LinkedIn](#), Accessed 11/27/22)

October 2018 – April 2020 – CASA Supervisor at Dallas CASA. ([LinkedIn](#), Accessed 11/27/22)

February 2020 to present – Part-time program director at Texas Woman's University. ([LinkedIn](#), Accessed 11/27/22)

2021 – Received a Master of Social Work from the University of North Texas. ([LinkedIn](#), Accessed 11/27/22)

December 15, 2021 – Filed to be a candidate in Texas House district 65. (Brittney for House 65, [Instagram](#), 12/15/21)

BACKGROUND

According to Living Blue In Texas, Verdell has "progressive values." "The only Democrat running for this seat is Brittney Verdell. Verdell is a licensed master social worker with progressive values. She's passionate about women's rights, mental health, and child welfare. She's also in favor of legalizing cannabis. For all of these reasons, Living Blue in Texas is endorsing ☆ Brittney Verdell for HD65." (Michelle Davis, "Analysis And Endorsements: Will Democrats Flip The Texas House In 2022? (Part 2)," [Living Blue In Texas](#), 1/13/22)

"Brittney is the oldest of five girls and was raised by a mother who aged out of foster care and experienced a number of adversities growing up on welfare." (About Brittney, [Brittney Verdell for State House](#), Accessed 4/25/22)

Verdell graduated from James Madison High School in Dallas. "This determined young woman is originally from Dallas where she 'proudly graduated from the Great James Madison High School in South Dallas.' She is the oldest of five children and because of that she says, 'Being a leader was bred into me!'" ("Student Leader Profile – Brittney Verdell," [TWU Black Alumni News](#), 11/28/12)

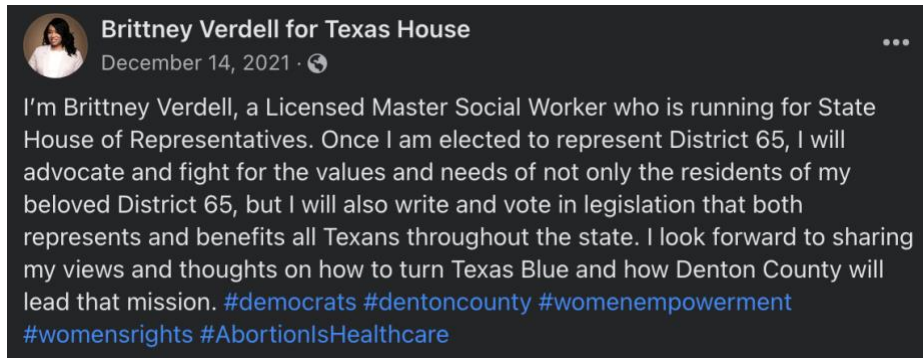
Verdell: “I cannot wait to get to Austin to advocate for women’s rights, our education system, mental health, child welfare, and the legalization/decriminalizing of marijuana!”



(Brittney for House 65, [Instagram](#), 12/15/21)

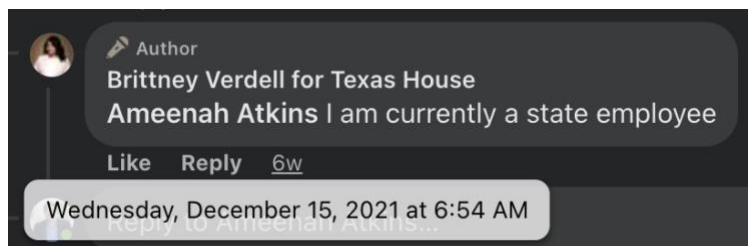
Verdell has two children. “As a mother of two, a public education graduate, and a Licensed Master Social Worker, I understand and value the impact of education in the public setting.” (Issues, [Brittney Verdell for State House](#), Accessed 4/25/22)

On December 14, 2021, Verdell posted that she is a licensed Master Social Worker.



(Brittney for House 65, [Facebook](#), 12/14/21)

On December 15, 2021, Verdell posted that she was “currently a state employee.”



(Brittney for House 65, [Facebook](#), 12/14/21)

According to her personal financial statement, Verdell is employed as a program manager at Texas Woman’s University and a manager at Dallas College.

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	NATURE OF OCCUPATION	

(Brittney Verdell, 2022 Personal Financial Statement, Texas Ethics Commission, Filed 2/14/22)

Verdell was endorsed by Texas state Representative Jasmine Crockett.



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brittneyforhouse65 I am proud to accept an endorsement from Representative Jasmine Crockett. #TurnTexasBlue #electmorewomen #brittneyforhouse65 #dentoncountymocrats

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(Brittney for House 65, [Instagram](#), 12/18/21)

Verdell was endorsed by the Tarrant County AFL-CIO for the 2022 primary election.

("2022 Primary Election Endorsements," [Tarrant County Central Labor Council](#), Accessed 1/26/22)

On January 14, 2022, Verdell posted that she was proud to accept the endorsement of Living Blue TX.



(Brittney for House 65, [Facebook](#), 1/14/22)

PUBLIC RECORDS

Property Records

Verdell lives at 4229 Hunt Drive, Apartment 4807, Carrollton, Texas 75010. (Brittney N. Verdell, 2021 Year End Report, Texas Ethics Commission, Filed 1/18/22; Nexis Public Records, Accessed 4/25/22)

Voter Records

Voter Information

Name: BRITTNEY NICOLE VERDELL
Address: 4229 HUNT DRIVE 4807
CARROLLTON TX 75010
Gender: FEMALE
Valid From: 01/01/2022
Effective Date of Registration: 11/06/2012
Voter Status: ACTIVE
County: DENTON
Precinct: 3116
VUID: 1157338816

(My Voter Portal, [Texas Secretary of State](#), Accessed 2/1/22)

Business Filings

Verdell is the registered agent for V Kay Gems, LLC, which was registered in Texas on June 18, 2020.

V KAY GEMS, LLC	
Texas Taxpayer Number	32074711840
Mailing Address	4229 HUNT DR APT 4807 CARROLLTON, TX 75010-3266
? Right to Transact Business in Texas	ACTIVE
State of Formation	TX
Effective SOS Registration Date	06/18/2020
Texas SOS File Number	0803654792
Registered Agent Name	BRITTNEY VERDELL
Registered Office Street Address	4229 HUNT DR #4807 CARROLLTON, TX 75010

(Taxable Entity Search, [Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts](#), Accessed 2/2/22)

Editor's note: You can view V Kay Gems' Twitter account [here](#) and Instagram account [here](#).

CAMPAIGN FINANCE

2022 Texas House Campaign

From July 1 to December 31, 2021, Verdell's campaign raised \$300. (Brittney N. Verdell, 7/1/21-12/31/21 Report, [Texas Department of Elections](#), Filed 1/18/22)

Personal Campaign Donations

Verdell's only campaign donation was \$50 to her own Texas House campaign. (Brittney N. Verdell, 7/1/21-12/31/21 Report, [Texas Department of Elections](#), Filed 1/18/22)

ISSUES

Abortion

On her campaign website, Verdell criticized Texas' abortion laws and vowed to support the right to choose to get an abortion. "Every person should have the right and privacy to make the decisions that are best for their future. That includes a person's right to choose and to have the medical attention and expertise necessary in those crucial moments. When it comes to abortions, we must ensure that we do not infringe the rights of citizens and that the government doesn't pass policies that compromise the health of our communities. Right now, Texas has the most extreme abortion ban in this country which makes it nearly impossible for a person to receive an abortion and allows anyone — including anti-abortion vigilantes — to enforce the ban by suing abortion providers and anyone who helps a person obtain an abortion. This includes doctors, clinics sharing resources, and anyone who drives a friend or family member to an appointment. As State Representative of District 65, I will fight to ensure that the rights of every citizen are protected and to make sure every woman not only has a choice, but that every woman has the ability to have healthy, safe, and licensed medical treatment." (Issues, [Brittney Verdell for State House](#), Accessed 4/25/22)

Education

Verdell says her top priorities include increasing teacher pay, ensuring funding to meet students' basic needs, providing resources for mental health support in schools, and "strengthening the partnership between Legislatures and Superintendents." "As a mother of two, a public education graduate, and a Licensed Master Social Worker, I understand and value the impact of education in the public setting. My top priorities will be increasing teacher's salary, ensuring that schools have adequate funding to support the demands and needs of the students, providing resources that address basic needs and mental health, and strengthening the partnership between Legislatures and Superintendents." (Issues, [Brittney Verdell for State House](#), Accessed 4/25/22)

Verdell also said she would fight for funding to ensure teachers have funding for basic school supplies. "As State Representative of District 65, I will fight for all youth in the great state of Texas. I will fight to make sure that our teachers have appropriate funding for essential school supplies. I will fight to make schools a safe haven where our youth can focus on their studies and grow as youth into young productive adults ready to contribute a fresh and positive impact on society by time they graduate." (Issues, [Brittney Verdell for State House](#), Accessed 4/25/22)

Verdell supports canceling student loan debt.



(Brittney Verdell For TX Rep District 65, [Twitter](#), 4/15/22)

Governor's Election

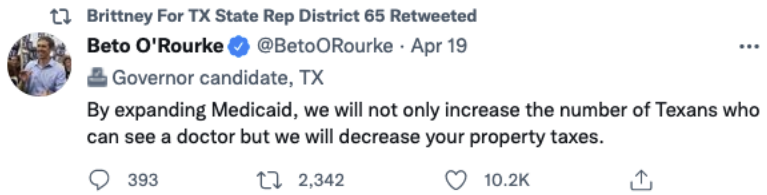
Verdell's first tweet was a retweet of Beto O'Rourke saying "It's time for us to have a governor who cares about the people of Texas."



(Brittney Verdell For TX Rep District 65, [Twitter](#), 2/27/22)

Health Care

Verdell's retweeted Beto O'Rourke calling for expanding Medicaid in Texas.



(Brittney Verdell For TX Rep District 65, [Twitter](#), 4/19/22)

Marijuana

Verdell supports the legalization and decriminalization of marijuana. “The economy of every state that has legalized marijuana has boomed while seeing a drastic decrease in nonviolent crimes connected to marijuana. That revenue can be used to provide additional resources that are needed for government funded organizations and areas that are hurting Texas communities by being drastically underfunded and under-resourced. Also, decriminalizing marijuana will protect minorities who are typically subjected to biases and arrested at disproportionate rates to get an equal fair chance as we repeal these laws. As State Representative of District 65, I will work hand in hand on a bipartisan effort to pass legislation around legalizing and decriminalizing marijuana that benefits all of Texas. I will also advocate for statewide regulations that not only oversee this industry but also increase jobs and will lower the unemployment rate even more.” (Issues, [Brittney Verdell for State House](#), Accessed 4/25/22)

Police and Public Safety

Verdell said that she wants to pass legislation to keep “our brave officers protected in the field” but also support funding for family violence and mental health experts to support first responders. “Our first responders are important to our community. The work that they do and the sacrifices they make should not go unnoticed. That is why I believe that funding for public safety should be strengthened by partnering with community agencies. First responders risk their lives when responding to family violence and mental health calls. I believe that using funding to bring forth subject matter experts in the field of family violence and mental health with first responders will ensure that first responders are safe as well as the public. As State Representative of District 65, I will work on a bipartisan effort to pass legislation that keeps our brave officers protected out in the field but also ensures the best possible nonviolent outcome for all citizens of Texas.” (Issues, [Brittney Verdell for State House](#), Accessed 4/25/22)

Miscellaneous

Verdell endorsed Janet Dudding for Texas Comptroller.



Janet Dudding for Texas
@Janet4Texas



“I endorse Janet Dudding for Texas Comptroller. Janet has spent 35+ years as a governmental CPA. She is ready to serve as Texas’ Comptroller on day one.” - @Brittney4Texas

JanetDudding4Texas.com

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(Janet Dudding for Texas, [Twitter](#), 4/11/22)