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Aaja Chemnitz, born December 2nd 1977 in Nuuk, daughter of Jørgen Schmidt Chemnitz and Jette Larsen. Married to Michael Driefer.

Member period

Member of the Folketing for Inuit Ataqatigiit in Greenland from June 18th 2015.

Candidate for Inuit Ataqatigiit in Greenland nomination district from 2015.

Parliamentary career

Vice-chairman of the Greenland Committee from 2023.

Chairwoman of The Greenland Committee, 2021-2022.

Vice-chairwoman of The Greenland Committee, 2017-2021.

The Danish Parliament's representative in the Standing Committee of Parliamentarians of the Arctic Region (Chairwoman from 2021) from 2015.

Member of the Landsting (Parliament) of Greenland, 2014-2018.

Education

Executive Education Leadership Program, Harvard Kennedy School, 2020.

Executive Management, INSEAD, 2011.

M.Sc. Administration, Ilisimatusarfik (University of Greenland), Ilisimatusarfik, 1998-2004.

Employment

Children spokeswoman, Parliament of Greenland, 2012-2015.

Director, Welfare administration, Kommuneqarfik Sermerssoq, 2009-2012.

Head of Department, Nuuk Municipality, 2007-2009.

Associate Expert, United Nations, New York, 2006-2007.

Head of section, The Premier's Office, Greenland Home Rule Government, 2004-2006.

Affiliations

Member of the board of the Greenland National Gallery of Art from 2022.

Member of the board of the University of the Arctic (UArctic) from 2022.

Member of the board of the Polar School, 2019-2022.

Board member of IKIU (independent legal aid institution) from 2015.

Member of the Board of Meeqqat Ikiortigit (Save the Children Greenland), 2015-2018.

Chairman of the National Council of Human Rights in Greenland, 2014.

Deputy Chairman of the National Council of Human Rights in Greenland, 2013.

Chairman of the Board of Tele-Post, 2013-2014.

Chairman of the Board of Bedre Børneliv (Better Life for Children), 2012.

Chairman of the National Council for Children, 2012-2015.

Member of the Board of Statistics Greenland, 2012-2014.

Member of the Board of the Danish Institute for Human Rights, 2012-2014.
Deputy Chairman and member of the Board of Transparency International Greenland, 2012-2014.
Member of the Board of Great Greenland, 2011-2013.
Chairman of the Board of Bedre Børneliv (Better Life for Children), 2008-2009.

Awards

Folkemødets Dialogpris (dialogue award) at Denmark's Democratic Festival, 2021. Save the Children Denmark's Children's Rights Award 2013. Leader of Årets Arbejdsplads in Greenland, 2007.

Committees/Spokesman 11. maj 2024

Current committees

Vice-Chairman of

The Arctic Delegation
The Greenland Committee

Member of

The Defence Committee
The Foreign Policy Committee
The Legal Affairs Committee