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Representative Stan Tupper of Maine
Linda Steele remembers how Maine Congressman Stan Tupper influenced her ideas about politics.

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He was like a maverick. He was a charter member of the Wednesday group, which—I don’t know if it still exists. It, it may. But it was—there was six of them, and they were outside the mainstream of the Republican—the core Republican Members of the House. So, I’m sure some of my—I’m sure a lot of my political evolution, my political ideas, were influenced by him, because by working for him I was forced to see more than one straight line observation on any given issue, because sometimes he, you know, he’d be on the, the other side of the line, or he’d, he’d blur the lines a little bit.