MP Rachael Thomas' Bio

As a dedicated listener and tireless advocate, Rachael has served as a powerful voice for the Lethbridge riding since she was first elected as the Member of Parliament in 2015.

Grounded in the belief that every Canadian deserves to be treated with dignity, equality, and respect, Rachael is committed to putting people first. Empowered by the stories people share with her, Rachael puts a human face to government policies when she speaks in the House of Commons.

Rachael currently serves as the Shadow Minister for Canadian Heritage, where she passionately defends Canadians' rights and freedoms and seeks to empower Canadians to use their gifts, talents, and abilities to further themselves and build a Canada we can all be proud of. She believes the Canadian people—not government— are the problem solvers, solution makers, and wealth generators that will get our country back on track.

Rachael previously served as the Shadow Minister for Digital Government. During her time in this role, she advocated for online privacy protection and data ownership. In 2019, Rachael was elected as the Chair of the Standing Committee on Access to Information, Privacy and Ethics. In this position, she acted as an impartial mediator and led the committee through important discussions on the Prime Minister's involvement in the WE Charity scandal.

As a member of numerous bilateral and multinational associations, Rachael is committed to promoting human rights, democracy, and the rule of law. She is also a strong advocate for building stronger trade relationships with like-minded democracies around the world.

Since a balanced life consists of more than just work, Rachael also enjoys a number of leisure activities. In addition to spending time with family and friends, Rachael looks for opportunities to enjoy the unique beauty of southern Alberta by walking in the coulees or enjoying time in the Rockies. She is married to the lovely Mr. Thomas!