Russell C. Redding Pennsylvania Secretary of Agriculture



Russell C. Redding has served as Pennsylvania Secretary of Agriculture under Governors Josh Shapiro and Tom Wolf, and under Governor Ed Rendell for two years. He has extensive experience as a public servant, having spent more than 30 years serving Pennsylvania in Harrisburg and Washington D.C.

Under Secretary Redding's leadership, the department initiated and implemented the only state-level Farm Bill in the nation, worked to reduce food insecurity, strengthened rural and urban food systems and economies, and expanded land conservation and preservation.

He is the former dean of the School of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences at Delaware Valley University. He is a graduate of Penn State University, having earned his B.S. in Agriculture Education and M.S. in Agriculture and Extension Education.

A native of Pennsylvania, he and his wife Nina have two sons and own and operate a farm near Gettysburg.