Enoch L. "Nucky" Johnson was an Atlantic City political boss and racketeer who unofficially ran the Repu

Johnson graduated from Atlantic City High School in 1900. In 1905, he was appointed undersheriff (his f

In May 1939, after an extensive federal investigation, Nucky Johnson was indicted for income tax evasion in the sum of $125,000. He was convicted in July 1941 and sentenced to 10 years in prison and a $20,000 fine. He entered Lewisburg Federal Penitentiary on August 11, 1941, was paroled on August 15, 1945, and took a pauper's oath to avoid paying the fine.

Johnson died on December 9, 1968 at the Atlantic County Convalescent Home in Northfield, New Jersey.

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