



Nathalie Fontanet was born on 8 January 1965. She grew up in Geneva and attended all her schooling there. She got married in 1985 and she devoted herself to the education of her three daughters born in 1985, 1988 and 1991. In 1999, after her divorce, she began studying law at the University of Geneva. She obtained her law degree in 2003 and her bar exam in 2005.

Nathalie Fontanet worked as a deputy director in the legal department of a Swiss bank from 2006 to 2018.

Nathalie Fontanet's political involvement began in 2003, when she joined the former Parti Libéral. Elected as a member of the Conseil municipal of the City of Geneva the same year, she served until 2009, notably in the security, planning and finance commissions.

She was Vice-President of the Parti Libéral in 2005, member of the presidency in 2008 and Vice-President again in 2010.

In November 2007, she entered the Grand Conseil during the legislature. She was re-elected in 2009 and again in 2013. She was a member of various commissions, including health, education, as well as culture and sports. She was also leader of the Parti Libéral Radical (PLR) group in the Grand Conseil from September 2015 to 2017.

Nathalie Fontanet has been particularly committed to the complementarity of childcare facilities (crèches and day mothers) and to ensuring that the canton applies the federal law on the free choice of hospital. She also fought for the improvement of security in the canton.

In 2018, she was elected as a member of the Conseil d'Etat and became head of the Department of Finance and Human Resources. She was re-elected for the 2023-2028 legislature, and took over responsibility for the Department of Finance and Human Resources departments, to which External affairs were added.

Nathalie Fontanet is actively involved in the local community. She was a member of the board of the Geneva Music Conservatory Foundation from 2014 to 2018, as well as a member of the board of the Foundation for Cancer Screening from 2013 to 2018. She was also a member of the committee of the International League against Racism and Anti-Semitism (Licra Genève) from 2015 and Vice President from 2016 to 2018.