

Former AG Schmidt running for KS' 2nd Congressional District
(MSC News)--Former Kansas Attorney General Derek Schmidt will seek the Republican nomination in Kansas' Second Congressional District.

Announcement of Schmidt's candidacy came in a news release issued Friday, which says that Schmidt, in his role as Kansas Attorney General for 12-years, "had a strong record of prosecuting criminals, including numerous illegal aliens who committed crimes in Kansas," led special initiatives to protect children from sexual predators and to protect older Kansans from financial and physical abuse. Additionally the release points out that Schmidt "proudly represented Kansas before the United States Supreme Court, personally arguing three cases and winning all of them."

Schmidt, a fifth-generation Kansan, says in the release that he feels "a calling to serve," adding that it's his belief that "America needs more effective, conservative voices in public service."

The Kansas Second Congressional District is currently held by Schmidt's fellow Republican, Jake LaTurner, who chose not to seek another term.

Challenging Schmidt for the Republican nomination, as announced Thursday, is Jeff Kahr, who is described in his announcement release as a "former President Trump-appointee" who the former president named to serve as Regional Director of Region 7 of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services in November, 2017. Most recently, Kahr served as a senior advisor and district director for LaTurner.

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