

COLORADO

Voters in Colorado will elect a governor, lieutenant governor and attorney general this cycle. All 65 House seats will be on the ballot, as well as half of the Senate seats (17). Democrats are expected to maintain control of the Governor's Office, the Office of Attorney General, and the legislature.

Attorney General Republican Nominee

<u>District Attorney John Kellner</u>

District Attorney John Kellner is challenging incumbent Attorney General Phil Weiser (D). Kellner served in the Marine Corps, and still is in the Marine Corp Reserve as a Lieutenant Colonel. After resigning from active duty, Kellner worked as a prosecutor in the Boulder County District Attorney's Office before joining the 18th Judicial District in 2013 to start a Cold Case Unit. In 2016 he was named "Prosecutor of the Year" by the Colorado District Attorney's Council.

His top issue is criminal justice, and he has several initiatives to put into effect should he take office. He is an advocate for increasing penalties for repeat offenders and extending sentences for violent offenders. He also has promised to implement harsher restrictions on drug offenses. Additionally, he has pledged to increase training for police officers.

An <u>August poll</u> shows that both Kellner and his opponent Attorney General Phil Weiser are each polling at 44%, with 12% of Colorado voters undecided.

Trivia: John Kellner went to the University of Florida for his undergraduate degree.