Kris Kobach's Five Point Plan for the Kansas Attorney General's Office



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From the Desk of Kris W. Kobach

Dear Kansans,

You don't just walk into a courtroom on a big case without crafting a legal strategy. You know what the evidence shows. You know what the witnesses are going to say. You know the strengths and weaknesses in your arguments, and you're prepared for every possibility.

That's the same diligence I will take into the Kansas Attorney General's office. Kansans deserve nothing less.

Our constitutional rights are under attack from a runaway Biden administration. Starting the day of his inauguration, Biden used his pen and his phone to issue unconstitutional mandates. Under his regime, lawlessness reigns at our border. Critical race theory is infiltrating our children's classrooms and Biden is siccing the FBI on frustrated parents who attend school board meetings. Kansans are tired of assaults on our culture from the leftists who occupy the White House.

With Republicans poised to take back the U.S. House of Representatives and God-willing, the U.S. Senate, the only tools available for Biden to advance his radical agenda will be executive orders and bureaucratic fiat.

The next Kansas Attorney General must be ready for courtroom battles to defend the constitutional rights of Kansans. That's why I'm creating a special litigation unit, which I will personally lead, to sue the Biden Administration when it breaks the law and threatens our constitutional liberties. I am committing to Kansans that I will be prepared to lead in the Kansas Attorney General's Office from day one. That's what this document is. My commitment to Kansas and the experience I bring to accomplish those goals are outlined here.

Kansans deserve the best defense of our laws when the ACLU attacks them in court, but we also need an offensive strategy. As your AG, I'm committed to assisting local law enforcement and district attorneys to investigate and prosecute the most egregious crimes, including voter fraud and consumer fraud. I'm committed to expanding gun rights and defending our abortion regulations against ACLU lawsuits after we pass the Value Them Both Amendment.

Inside, you'll see how I plan to focus our taxpayer's limited resources on cases that are the most meaningful for Kansans. I'll need your help to accomplish these goals. My campaign is crisscrossing the state talking about what I will do when I become the next Kansas Attorney General. I hope this document provides insight to the Kansans I don't get a chance to meet with on the campaign trail. And for those I do get to meet with, I hope this document offers a starting off point for our in-person discussions.

I look forward to it!

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Kris Kobach

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1. Create a Special Litigation Unit at the AG's Office

Leftists weaponize the legal system, using activist judges to implement their ideas when voters and legislators refuse. They've done it for decades, but they went into overdrive when former President Donald Trump took office. Within days of his inauguration, left-wing attorneys general filed dozens of lawsuits against the new administration. By the end of the Trump Administration, no less than 103 suits had been filed. The legal fights cost the Trump administration time and forced the new administration to focus on legal battles instead of enacting its policies. It's called lawfare, and the Left has engaged in it for decades.

But when there's a leftwing president in office who is violating federal law and shredding the Constitution, it's time for conservatives to engage in lawfare to save the country. Texas is leading the charge right now, but the Lonestar State needs help. I have more experience taking on Democrat presidents in court than any other attorney in Kansas. As a private attorney, I have already filed four lawsuits against Obama and Biden, combined. As Attorney General, I will create a special litigation unit in the Office of the Attorney General to bring lawsuits against Biden to defend our freedoms, defend life, protect the Second Amendment, and fight back whenever President Biden breaches the Constitution.

As the <u>Kansas City Star</u> recently reported, this commitment is something that sets me apart from others running for attorney general, not just in Kansas, but across the country.

Experience

- Served 15 years as a Constitutional Law professor.
- Currently representing 36 members of the Air Force fighting for their religious freedom.
- Currently representing Texas sheriffs to stop Biden's continuing violation of federal immigration laws.
- Sued the Obama and Biden administrations on constitutional issues four times.
- Lead attorney arguing constitutional and statutory cases in the 3rd, 5th, 8th, 9th, 10th, and DC Circuits of the U.S. Court of Appeals.

Endorsements

- Former U.S. Attorney General John Ashcroft
- Former Texas Solicitor General and U.S. Senator Ted Cruz

2. Prosecute Voter Fraud

As Kansas Secretary of State, I drafted the 2011 law that made Kansas's elections the most secure in the nation. I brought photo ID and advance ballot security to our state. In 2015 I drafted the law that gives both the Kansas Secretary of State and the Kansas Attorney General the ability to prosecute voter fraud. As Attorney General, I will be the first Kansas Attorney General to use that authority to prosecute voter fraud.

Experience

- Tapped by President Donald Trump to lead his commission on election integrity.
- Drafted Kansas election laws that made Kansas the safest and most secure in the nation.
- Battled the ACLU in Court to defend Kansas laws and to safeguard our elections.
- Drafted Kansas law giving the Attorney General and the Secretary of State the authority to prosecute voter fraud.
- Drafted model legislation for other states to secure their elections.
- Secured more than a dozen voter fraud convictions as Kansas Secretary of State.

"Kris Kobach was one of my most qualified, competent, and dedicated attorneys at the Justice Department when I served as U.S. Attorney General. His experience and skill as an attorney are among the best in the nation."

-Former U.S. Attorney General, John Ashcroft

3. Eliminate conceal and carry license fees

Kansans shouldn't have to pay a fee to exercise their constitutional rights. Concealed carry permits are way too expensive. Those fees should be eliminated. South Dakota did so in March of 2022; we should too. In addition, it should be less burdensome to renew one's license if a person misses the expiration date when renewing his or her license.

Experience

- Personally drafted multiple laws that strengthen the gun rights of Kansas citizens.
- Taught the Second Amendment as a constitutional law professor.
- Litigated defending Kansans' gun rights in court.
- Lifetime member of the NRA.
- Lifelong hunter and participant in shooting sports.

Endorsements

- America's Sheriff, David Clarke
- Multiple Kansas Sheriffs

"He knows the Constitution inside and out. More importantly, he's willing to fight to defend it. We need him as the next Kansas Attorney General. I encourage all conservatives to get behind Kris Kobach to take the fight to the radical left before it's too late."

-Senator Ted Cruz

4. Restore Kansas's Pro-Life Laws

After the Value Them Both Amendment passes, I will use my authority as Kansas Attorney General to ensure that all of Kansas's pro-life laws that were overturned or threatened by the *Hodes & Nauser* decision of the Kansas Supreme Court are immediately restored to full effect. I will also push for additional laws to make Kansas the most pro-life state in America. And when the ACLU sues to block our pro-life laws, I will aggressively defend them in court.

Experience

- Helped draft pro-life laws in Kansas.
- Battled the ACLU in federal court a dozen times.
- Served as a professor of constitutional law for 15 years at UMKC Law School.

Endorsements

- Kansans for Life
- Founder of Focus on the Family, Dr. James Dobson

"With abortion extremists attacking pro-life laws in Kansas, the race for attorney general has never been more important. Kris Kobach has a long history with our movement. Pro-Life Kansans and those we seek to protect must continue to have a voice in the Attorney General's Office." -Kansans for Life Endorsement – PAC Director, Kristina Smith

5. Strengthen Kansans' Protections Against Consumer Fraud

State attorneys general typically advocate for consumer rights, investigate scams and fraud, and fight national fraud by joining forces across state lines. However, scams on the internet and using cell phones have multiplied in recent years and have increased in sophistication. The elderly are particularly vulnerable to these schemes. I will build up the consumer protection division of the Office of the Attorney General to defend all Kansans against this threat.

Experience

- Extensive civil litigation experience.
- Helped make the Kansas Secretary of State's Office more user friendly.
- Created a voter fraud report line for the Kansas Secretary of State's Office.

"When law enforcement officers are under attack by the media and the Left, Kansas needs an attorney general who has a track record of backing the blue. Kris Kobach has experience defending sheriffs across the country, and he is representing Texas sheriffs right now in federal court." -America's Sheriff, David Clarke

Qualified. Experienced. Trusted.

Kris Kobach is uniquely qualified to execute this five-point plan as the next Kansas Attorney General.

Kris Kobach was raised in Topeka, Kansas where he graduated from Washburn Rural High School. He completed his undergraduate studies in government at Harvard University, graduating first in his department and summa cum laude. A Marshall Scholarship recipient, he received his Ph.D. in politics from the University of Oxford. Kobach received his J.D. from Yale Law School, serving as notes development editor of the Yale Law Journal.

Kobach clerked for the Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals and shortly thereafter became a professor of constitutional law at the University of Missouri – Kansas City School of Law. Kobach received a White House Fellowship from President George W. Bush. He served in the United States Department of Justice under Attorney General John Ashcroft as Counsel to the Attorney General.

He has litigated some of the most high-profile cases in the country, including defending statutes and ordinances against the ACLU on multiple occasions. In 2012, Kobach brought the first challenge to President Obama's DACA amnesty on behalf of 10 ICE agents. His victory in federal district court paved the way for Texas to defeat the Obama Justice Department in its litigation.

Currently, Kobach is engaged in three federal lawsuits against the Biden administration. He brought suit against OSHA in November of 2021 on behalf of employers and employees impacted by Biden vaccine mandates and won. He also filed suit in June of 2021 against the Department of Homeland Security on behalf of ICE agents and sheriffs who are barred by the administration from detaining and deporting illegal alien criminals. In 2022, Kobach filed suit in federal court against the Biden administration to stop the U.S. Air Force from expelling pilots at McConnell Air Force Base in Wichita for exercising their religious beliefs.

Kobach served as the 31st Kansas Secretary of State, 2011-2019. He lives near Lecompton with his wife, Heather, and their five children.

"Unlike some politicians who waiver in the face of attacks from the media and the Left, Kris stands firm in his faith and is never shaken. He has proven himself and will be an excellent attorney general."

-Focus on the Family Founder, Dr. James Dobson