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Meet Dan Donovan

Daniel M. Donovan, Jr. was elected Richmond County District Attorney in November 2003, becoming the first Republican elected District Attorney in New York City in over fifty years. He was overwhelmingly re-elected in 2007 with nearly 70% of the vote, with the endorsement of the Republican, Conservative and Independence parties.

A native Staten Islander, Dan Donovan was educated in local schools and attended St. John's University (Staten Island Campus) where he earned a BA in Criminal Justice. He later attended the Fordham University School of Law as an evening student where he was a member of the Fordham Law Review and earned his JD, with honors, in 1988. True to his modest upbringing, Dan paid his own way through college and law school, working various jobs and learning the true value of hard work and determination.

Prior to being elected District Attorney, Dan Donovan served the people of New York for over two decades. District Attorney Donovan began his career as a prosecutor serving eight years under Manhattan District Attorney Robert M. Morgenthau where he prosecuted major narcotics cases throughout the city and served as senior trial counsel. After leaving Morgenthau's office, Donovan began serving his native Staten Island in 1996 as Chief of Staff to then Borough President Guy V. Molinari. In January 2002, Mr. Donovan was appointed Deputy Borough President, serving under Borough President James P. Molinaro.

As a candidate for District Attorney in 2003, Donovan proposed a remarkable agenda for revitalizing an office which had consistently ranked near the bottom of every category measured by the City and State of New York. In the general election, Donovan defeated the Chief Assistant of the outgoing District Attorney, who had held his position for over 20 years.

As Staten Island District Attorney Dan Donovan:

- In 2008, Dan led the City of New York in the conviction of dangerous felons. Today, his felony conviction rate stands at over 90%, one of the highest in the state.
- Accomplished the impossible, and now, nearly 100% of all repeat drunk driving offenders serve time in prison.
- Became the first prosecutor on Staten Island to use New York's Hate Crimes statute to prosecute bias crimes.
- Obtained the first felony conviction in New York State under Stephanie's Law – targeting those disgusting video voyeurs who secretly videotape their victims.
- Aggressively targeted illegal guns, drunk drivers, sex offenders, domestic violence and those who prey on senior citizens and children.
- Fulfilled a key campaign pledge and established Staten Island's first formal witness protection program.

Dan Donovan's office has also been in the vanguard of using new technologies and laws to prosecute criminals in our community such as, using GPS technology to enforce orders of protection, and indicting DNA profiles in rape cases.

As DA, Donovan has also undertaken an ambitious legislative agenda, calling upon legislators to enact or improve laws where the people of New York are not being adequately protected. Donovan has been an out-spoken advocate for tougher laws regarding sexual predators, illegal guns, drunk drivers, domestic



violence, gratuitous video game violence, and for repealing the statute of limitations in serious sex offenses.

In 2008 Dan's record of service was recognized by his peers as he was elected President of the New York State District Attorney's association. Additionally, the Association of the Bar of the City of New York awarded its 2006 "Diversity Champion Award" to Donovan for increasing Diversity in the DAs office and for raising the office's standards. Donovan similarly received a Diversity award from the Asian-America Bar Association of New York.

Now, Donovan is running for New York State Attorney General because he cannot and will not sit back idly as New York State descends into a bottomless pit of public corruption. Donovan plans to harness all the powers of the office, to bring an end of to the corruption in Albany, and to restore New Yorker's faith in their elected officials and state government. To accomplish this Dan will:

- Make the Attorney General's office ground zero to root out government corruption.
- Aggressively prosecute corruption at all levels of government.
- Shine a light, once and for all, on all legislators' conflicts of interest.
- Foster real transparency in the "member item" process.
- Crack down on abusive contractors.
- Guarantee the state pension system serves retirees and taxpayers, and not the well- connected.
- Root out Medicaid fraud in every corner of the state.
- Work with localities to protect residents from never-ending property tax increases.
- Track the flow of terrorist money into our state before anybody can attempt to attack us.
- Protect investors and consumers from the financial crimes of Wall Street.
- Stem the flow of illegal guns into our state.
- Protect our children from predators whether on the internet or in person.

New Yorkers have had enough of an unaccountable government that protects the special interests instead of their own. It's time to make Dan Donovan Attorney General.

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**DANIEL M. DONOVAN ANNOUNCES HIS CANDIDACY FOR
NEW YORK STATE ATTORNEY GENERAL**

(Buffalo, New York) May 18, 2010 – Staten Island District Attorney Daniel M. Donovan today announced his candidacy for New York State Attorney General. Donovan, 53, made his announcement alongside local supporters at the Buffalo Niagara Convention Center. Donovan is seeking the Republican nomination.

“This much is clear to me: Albany is broken and New Yorkers deserve better,” said Donovan. “Corruption and dysfunction are all too commonplace in our state capitol and powerful insiders control the process to benefit a narrow few. New Yorkers have had enough and that’s why I’m running for Attorney General. I will be an independent voice to bring about the real change – to root out corruption and hold Albany accountable to the people of this state. We can do better than the status quo. In fact, we have to do better, today, not tomorrow – and that’s why I’m running.”

On Sunday, Donovan kicked off his campaign in New York City with an announcement in Lower Manhattan, where New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg endorsed his candidacy. He also held a rally with supporters outside of the Richmond County Supreme Court on Staten Island. Prior to arriving in Buffalo, Donovan made campaign stops in Albany, Syracuse and Rochester.

Donovan was first elected Staten Island District Attorney in 2003, becoming the first Republican-elected District Attorney in New York City in over five decades. In 2007, with the endorsements of the Republican, Conservative and Independence parties, he was overwhelmingly re-elected with nearly 68% of the vote in a majority Democratic county.

If elected Attorney General, Donovan would fight political corruption and execute an agenda to restore New Yorkers faith in government by:

- Prosecuting all public corruption offenses as felonies and seek original jurisdiction over all public corruption cases, anywhere and everywhere in the state.
- Holding legislators accountable for their member items.
- Pursuing and rooting out Medicaid fraud and returning recovered monies to local community coffers.

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As Staten Island District Attorney, Donovan has undertaken an extraordinary agenda to overhaul the office:

- **A Top-Performing District Attorney's Office.** Prior to his election, Staten Island consistently ranked near the bottom of every category measured by the City and State of New York. Today, Staten Island routinely leads the City of New York in felony convictions at more than 90%. His office has aggressively targeted illegal guns, drunk drivers, sex offenders, domestic violence and those who prey on senior citizens and children.
- **Employing Cutting-Edge New Technologies and Laws to Prosecute Criminals.** Under his leadership, the District Attorney's office used Megan's Law to prosecute and incarcerate sex offenders who violated their registration requirements. Donovan was also the first prosecutor on Staten Island to use New York's Hate Crimes statute to prosecute bias crimes, and obtained the first felony conviction in New York State under Stephanie's Law – targeting video voyeurs who secretly videotape their victims. In addition, his office has successfully indicted DNA profiles in rape cases and recently, proposed and implemented GPS technology to enforce orders of protection.
- **Protecting Victims of Domestic Violence.** This year, to protect victims of domestic violence, Donovan authored the Domestic Violence Act of 2010, which proposes the creation of the crime of domestic abuse, strengthens orders of protection and would enable victims of domestic violence to attain financial independence from their abusers.
- **Protecting Witnesses.** Under Donovan's leadership, and fulfilling a campaign pledge, the first formal witness protection program was established in the district attorney's office.
- **Targeting Repeat Drunk Drivers.** Donovan's office has aggressively prosecuted repeat drunk driving offenders and today, nearly 100% of all repeat drunk driving offenders on Staten Island serve time in jail.

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Prior to being elected District Attorney, Donovan served the people of New York for over two decades, serving as an Assistant District Attorney under Manhattan District Attorney Robert M. Morgenthau, where he prosecuted major narcotics cases throughout the city and served as senior trial counsel. After leaving Morgenthau's office, Donovan began serving his native Staten Island in 1996 as Chief of Staff to then-Borough President Guy V. Molinari. In January 2002, Mr. Donovan was appointed Deputy Borough President, serving under Borough President James P. Molinaro.

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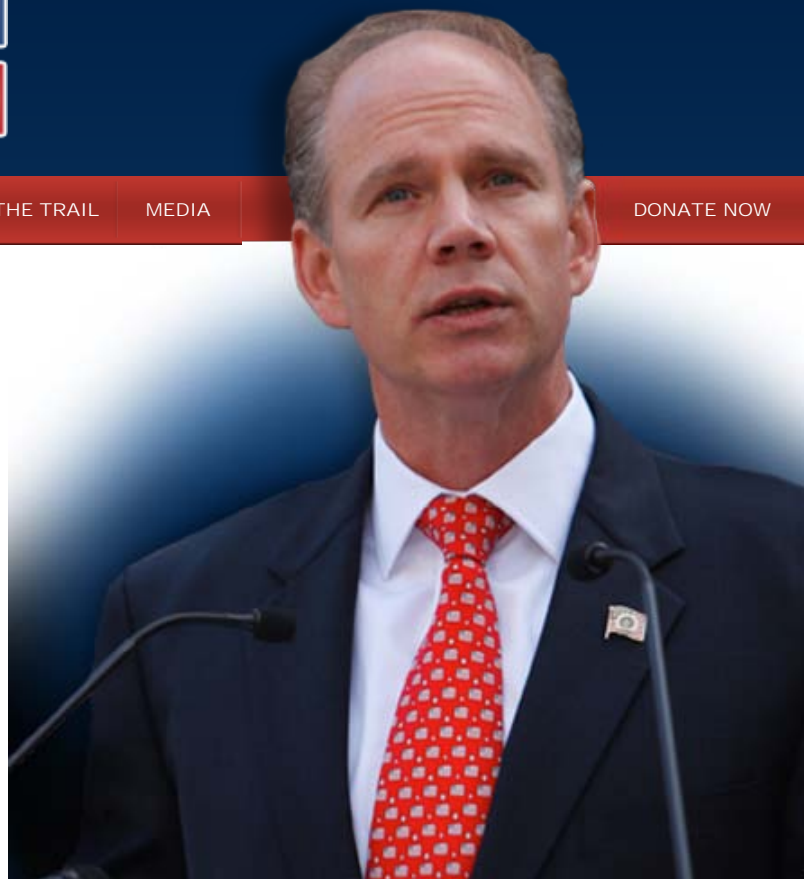


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- New York Post - 09/29/10 - New York Post Endorses Donovan for AG
Rarely does a race for state attorney general present such a clear choice. Which is why The Post enthusiastically endorses the Republican candidate for New York's chief law-enforcement officer, Staten Island DA Dan Donovan. Donovan gets it. [[View Article](#)]
- The Wall Street Journal - 08/02/10 - NY AG Candidates Weigh in on Wall Street
With that in mind, Deal Journal colleague Kyle Stock decided to ask the the six candidates vying to become New York's next attorney general two simple questions: How do you feel about the work Attorney General Andrew Cuomo has done on Wall Street compensation and if you become attorney general... [[View Article](#)]
- WAMC - NPR - 07/31/10 - Dan Donovan speaks with Dr. Alan Chartock on WAMC's "The Capitol Connection"
ALBANY, NY (WAMC) - Host Alan Chartock is joined by Dan Donovan, the Richmond County D.A. and GOP candidate for New York State Attorney General. They discuss his political views, his hopes for reforming Albany, and why Donovan has pledged not to seek higher office. [[View Article](#)]
- The Epoch Times - 07/22/10 - The Epoch Times Talks to Dan Donovan about his campaign for Attorney General
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- The Auburn Citizen - 07/21/10 - The Auburn Citizen Sits Down with Dan Donovan
... [[View Article](#)]
- Herkimer Evening Telegram - 07/21/10 - Attorney General Candidate Wants to End Corruption in Albany
Herkimer, N.Y. - While five Democrats running for attorney general hold debates to establish their positions before a September primary, Republican candidate Dan Donovan said he will continue to define his message by campaigning throughout the state. He stopped at The Telegram in a loop Tuesday... [[View Article](#)]
- News Channel 34 / WIVT-WBGH Binghamton - 07/20/10 - NYS Attorney General Candidate Dan Donovan visits Binghamton
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- Channel 12 Action News / WBNG Binghamton - 07/20/10 - NYS Attorney General Candidate Dan Donovan visits Binghamton
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- Utica Observer Dispatch - 07/20/10 - Attorney general candidate targets corruption
UTICA — Republican attorney general candidate Dan Donovan says he isn't going to wait around to find out which of five Democrats he will face in November. Instead, he is stumping across the state to proclaim his message that he is best equipped to combat corruption in state government. On... [[View Article](#)]
- News Channel 2 / WKTV Utica - 07/20/10 - NYS Attorney General Candidate Dan Donovan visits Utica
Dan Donovan, the only Republican candidate running for New York State Attorney General, discusses his plans for the election and what he would do if he wins the seat. **Click the video for the full-length interview** [[View Article](#)]
- Politico - 06/28/10 - Former RNC staffer to head Donovan campaign
... [[View Article](#)]
- Anton Newspapers (Nassau County) - 06/25/10 - AG Candidate Daniel Donovan Vows to Fight Political Corruption
Fighting political corruption in Albany is what Republican candidate Daniel M. Donovan Jr. says will be his top priority should he be elected the next New York Attorney General. Vying for the top prosecutor's seat, along with five Democratic hopefuls, the Staten Island

District Attorney spoke... [[View Article](#)]

- New York Daily News - 06/22/10 - Wanna be AG? Go soft on drugs: The Dem candidates compete on their Rockefeller 'reform' credentials [[View Article](#)]
- Staten Island Advance - 06/07/10 - Molinari Republican Club Backs Dan Donovan
STATEN ISLAND, N.Y. -- The Molinari Republican Club (MRC) has unanimously endorsed D.A. Daniel Donovan for attorney general. [[View Article](#)]
- Staten Island Advance - 06/03/10 - State GOP pins star and its attorney general hopes on Staten Island's Dan Donovan
NEW YORK -- Saying that he would "root out corruption" and restore New Yorkers' faith in government, District Attorney Daniel M. Donovan was nominated to run for attorney general yesterday by the state Republican Party. [[View Article](#)]
- Legal Newsline - 06/03/10 - Donovan the choice for N.Y. Republicans
NEW YORK (Legal Newsline) - Dan Donovan, Staten Island's district attorney, became the GOP's choice for New York Attorney General Tuesday. [[View Article](#)]
- Capitol Tonight - 06/02/10 - GOP Pick for AG: Dan Donovan
Unlike most Republicans running for statewide office, Attorney General candidate Dan Donovan is the only stand-alone against a five-way battle on the other side of the isle. Donovan sat down with Liz Benjamin Wednesday after becoming the designee of the GOP in the race for AG. [[View Article](#)]
- Albany Times Union - 06/02/10 - Antonacci earns a primary, steps aside for Donovan
NEW YORK — Onondaga County Comptroller Bob Antonacci received enough support from convention delegates to earn a primary for attorney general, but opted instead to back Staten Island District Attorney Dan Donovan, the party's official designee. [[View Article](#)]
- Daily News - 06/02/10 - GOP's Donovan: "I'm Just A Guy Who Cares About This State"
Staten Island DA Dan Donovan got the state GOP's nod for AG today, telling conventioners here at the Sheraton that he knows voters are angry about New York government being "a national joke," and vowing to root out corruption in Albany if elected in November [[View Article](#)]
- Iohudblogs.com - 06/02/10 - Donovan Wins AG Nomination
Staten Island District Attorney Dan Donovan picked up the GOP nomination for attorney general this afternoon at the Republican convention, Gannett's Nick Reisman reports from Manhattan. [[View Article](#)]
- Daily Freeman - 05/28/10 - State attorney general candidate, visiting Kingston, vows to rid Albany of corruption.
KINGSTON, NY - State attorney general hopeful Daniel Donovan on Thursday pledged to rout the "culture of corruption" from state government. [[View Article](#)]
- WAMC - 05/27/10 - AG candidate visits Poughkeepsie; Democrats put five on primary ballot.
POUGHKEEPSIE, NY - Andrew Cuomo's entrance into the New York governor's race has received most of the political headlines this week, but the race for his current job is well underway. WAMC's Hudson Valley Bureau Chief Greg Fry has more on a republican AG candidate's campaign stop Wednesday in Poughkeepsie. [[View Article](#)]
- NY1 - 05/21/10 - Pataki Backs Donovan For State Attorney General.
Republican Dan Donovan picked up a big endorsement Friday in his bid to become State Attorney General. [[View Article](#)]
- Democrat And Chronicle - 05/19/10 - Daniel Donovan campaigns for attorney general
ROCHESTER, NY - Staten Island District Attorney Daniel Donovan visited Rochester on Tuesday and said he would stay free of special interest influence in Albany if elected attorney general. [[View Article](#)]
- New York Times - 05/17/10 - Daniel Donovan campaigns for attorney general
This weekend, Daniel M. Donovan Jr., the Staten Island district attorney, became the first Republican to formally enter the crowded field for New York attorney general. [[View Article](#)]
- The Wall Street Journal - 05/17/10 - Daniel Donovan campaigns for attorney general
Staten Island District Attorney Daniel Donovan, saying he would make rooting out political corruption the focus of his administration, kicked off his campaign for state attorney general on Sunday. [[View Article](#)]
- Fox23 News - 05/17/10 - Donovan announces campaign for Attorney General
ALBANY, NY - Powerful insiders are bankrupting the many to benefit the few -- that's what Staten Island District Attorney Daniel Donovan says is happening in the Empire State. [[View Article](#)]
- Staten Island Live - 05/16/10 - Donovan announces campaign for Attorney General
STATEN ISLAND, NY - It's official: GOP District Attorney Daniel Donovan is a candidate for attorney general. [[View Article](#)]
- NY1 - 05/16/10 - Donovan announces campaign for Attorney General
MANHATTAN, NY - Staten Island District Attorney Dan Donovan officially announced Sunday his intentions to become the state's next attorney general. [[View Article](#)]

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Dan Donovan Is Endorsed By:

Former New York Governor George E. Pataki

"Dan has dedicated his career to serving the people of New York and his record of accomplishment on Staten Island is tremendous. In his first term as District Attorney, Dan was an outspoken supporter of my efforts to as Governor to strengthen Megan's Law and implement a civil confinement law for dangerous sex offenders. Throughout his career, Dan has stood up for what's right, regardless of the political consequences and that's why I'm proud to stand here today to endorse Dan for New York State Attorney General. I'm confident that he has the skills and leadership abilities to bring real change to Albany, to hold legislators feet to the fire and restore accountability back to our state capitol. Dan is the right choice for Attorney General."

New York City Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg

"There's a key theme running through all of Dan's work – and that is holding people accountable for their actions. As we all know, accountability is something we sorely need in Albany. Dan's the true independent in this race because he can get things done and he does what's right regardless of what's politically popular. That's why I'm endorsing Dan Donovan, and that's why I'm going to do everything I can to help him become New York's next Attorney General."

Chautauqua County Republican Chairman John Walker

"I am proud to endorse and support Dan Donovan for Attorney General. As Richmond County District Attorney, Dan has driven down crime and piloted innovative programs to better protect and serve the people who elected him to office. He's proven that he puts the people's interests above his own and because of that, Dan is our county's choice for Attorney General."

Monroe County Republican Chairman Bill Reilich

"As Richmond County District Attorney, Dan Donovan has proven himself to be an accomplished leader, turning an under-performing D.A.'s office into one of the strongest in our state. We need his energy and enthusiasm in Albany. New Yorkers want to have faith in their state government again and Dan is the right person to get us back on track. For those reasons, I'm proud to endorse and support Dan Donovan to be our next State Attorney General."

Orleans County Republican Chairman Ed Morgan

"The Orleans County Republican Executive Committee is proud to support and endorse Dan Donovan for Attorney General. He has the leadership skills and the drive and determination we need to root out corruption and fraud in our state government. New Yorkers are frustrated with the waste and abuse and we want an independent voice to bring balance and integrity back to Albany. Dan is our choice for Attorney General."

St. Lawrence County Republican Chairwoman Nancy Martin

"Dan's record of accomplishment as Richmond County District Attorney is a strong indication of what I believe he will bring to Albany as State Attorney General. He stands up for what he believes in and he's unwavering in his belief that the people come first. It's time we bring a measure of change, balance and integrity back to our state capitol. For those reasons, I am proud to endorse and support Dan Donovan for Attorney General."

Westchester County Republican Chairman Douglas A. Colety

"For far too long now, we've had a state government that is at best, dysfunctional and at worst, corrupt. It's time to bring real change to Albany. As Richmond County District Attorney, Dan has compiled a record of accomplishments too long to name, but well-known to many. He's driven down crime. He's locked up repeat drunk drivers and he's developed innovative programs to protect the people who elected him to office. We need that same drive and determination in Albany and that's why I'm proud to endorse and support Dan to be our next Attorney General."

Montgomery County Republican Chairman Joe Emanuele

"As Attorney General, Dan Donovan will target the culture of corruption in Albany that is crippling our state. He will put all New Yorkers' interests above his own, just as he does for the people of Staten Island, where he has a solid record of accomplishments as District Attorney. As a Republican, Dan has a chance to end the broken cycle of one-party rule that is bankrupting our state and he will bring the work ethic needed to get the job done right away. It is a great honor to support and endorse Dan Donovan for Attorney General."

Erie County Republican Chairman Nick Langworthy

"Dan Donovan is a proven leader and his record of success as District Attorney on Staten Island gives us confidence that he will bring about real change to our troubled state government. The people of New York want results, not more political rhetoric and Dan is the right choice to restore integrity to our Capitol. That's why we're proud to endorse and support Dan Donovan for Attorney General."

Schoharie County Republican Chairman Lewis Wilson

"I take great pride in endorsing Dan Donovan for Attorney General. Dan has the experience and ingenuity to utilize the full power of the AG's office. He is the right man for the job at exactly the right time."

Niagara County Republican Chairman Michael Norris

"Dan Donovan is a proven leader and I am proud to endorse Dan for Attorney General. Dan has the capabilities, the innovative ideas and the drive to tackle head-on the dysfunction and corruption plaguing our state. As Staten Island District Attorney, he's proven himself to be a man of integrity and character and I'm confident he's the right candidate to restore faith in our government."

Greene County Republican Chairman Brent Bogardus

"Greene County Republicans are thrilled to support Dan Donovan for New York State Attorney General. Mr. Donovan has an impeccable record as District Attorney in Richmond County and we look forward to Dan bringing his talents to Albany as our next Attorney General."

Albany County Republican Chairman John Graziano

"The Albany County Republican Committee is proud to endorse and support Dan Donovan for Attorney General. New Yorkers are tired of the dysfunction and corruption destroying our state. Dan will put the people's interests first and help restore confidence in our system of government. He has served the people of Staten Island with integrity and distinction and we're certain he will do the same for all of New York."

Rockland County Republican Chairman and First Executive Vice-Chair of the New York Republican State Committee
Vincent D. Reda

"Dan Donovan is the Rockland County Republican Committee's choice for Attorney General. Dan is a proven leader. As Staten Island District Attorney, he has one of the highest felony conviction rates in the state and has implemented innovative ideas to better serve and protect the people who elected him. We are confident that Dan will take this same work ethic to Albany and we're proud to support and endorse him for Attorney General."

Saratoga County Republican Chairman John F. "Jasper" Nolan

"We're proud to endorse and support Dan Donovan for Attorney General. Dan's record of success as Staten Island District Attorney shows that he has the leadership qualities needed to root out corruption and restore integrity back to our state government. The people of New York deserve an attorney general who will put their interests first and the Saratoga County Republican Committee believes Dan is the right candidate for the job."

Queens County Republican Chairman Phil Ragusa

"The Queens County Republican Committee is endorsing Dan Donovan for Attorney General because it's time that we send someone to Albany who can clean up the corruption that has corroded New York. During his time as Staten Island District Attorney, Dan has repeatedly proven that he is a man of integrity and accomplishment. He's driven crime down on Staten Island to record lows and made it one of the safest counties in the state. This is exactly the kind of leadership we need in Albany in these challenging times."

Kings County Republican Chairman Craig Eaton

"Dan's record of accomplishment as District Attorney on Staten Island makes us confident that he will serve the people of New York well as State Attorney General. He's a proven leader and prosecutor and we're confident that he is the right candidate to bring about change and restore integrity to our Capitol. The Kings County Republican Committee is proud to endorse Dan and his candidacy."

Bronx County Republican Chairman Jay Savino

"The Bronx County Republican Committee is proud to endorse Dan Donovan for Attorney General. As Staten Island District Attorney, Dan has distinguished himself as a leader and we're confident that he will serve the people of New York well as the Attorney General. His focus on

aggressively targeting political corruption will help bring stability and integrity back to our state government. We're proud to support Dan and his campaign to clean up our state capitol."

Richmond County Republican First Vice-Chair Mary Reilly

"The Staten Island Republican Committee is proud to support and endorse one of our own, Dan Donovan, for Attorney General. Dan has served the people of Staten Island well. He is a man of integrity and the right person to aggressively take on those special interests holding our government hostage and restore faith and confidence again in our state. We are confident that Dan will always put the people of New York first, just as he has in Staten Island. Dan is our choice for Attorney General."

Detective Investigators Association of the City of New York President John M. Fleming

"I have known Dan Donovan for over 20 years. I have had the pleasure to work for him and I saw firsthand the intelligence and commitment that he brings to the job. Dan has a proven track record of putting aside political ideology and working collectively with all groups to ensure the job gets done. His leadership in identifying better ways to protect the community makes him the best choice to be our next Attorney General. It is because of this that we, the Detective Investigators' Association of the City of New York urges all members of the law enforcement community and the public to elect Dan Donovan as our next Attorney General for the state of New York."

Log Cabin Republicans of New York State PAC Chairman Gregory T. Angelo

As the District Attorney of Staten Island, Mr. Donovan has a long and distinguished record of treating everyone equal under the law. He is a man of integrity with a selfless commitment to uphold the rights of all citizens of this state, and we look forward to working with him when he becomes the next Attorney General of the State of New York in November.

Former Council Member, Democrat Jay O'Donovan

"When Dan Donovan first ran for District Attorney in 2003, I endorsed his opponent and actively campaigned against his election. But as a life-long resident of Staten Island, I know first-hand that we could not have had a better D.A. the last seven years. Dan Donovan has been a tremendous prosecutor who has aggressively targeted crime on Staten Island. While I will support Democrats for other federal, state and local offices in November, this is different. Dan Donovan has made the right decisions, regardless of political considerations or consequences, and has always lived by his oath of office and commitment to justice. It doesn't matter what your political affiliation is, Dan Donovan has the character and integrity to clean-up the mess in Albany. I am proud to support him for Attorney General and will encourage my fellow Democrats to do the same this November."

Council Member Peter Koo (Queens District 20)

"Our state is desperate for leadership and New Yorkers want an Attorney General who will enforce the laws of our state and bring transparency and integrity back to Albany. As Staten Island District Attorney, Dan has distinguished himself, leading the city in crime reduction and felony convictions. He's been a voice for crime victims and an advocate for the most vulnerable in our communities. I know he'll take the same energy and enthusiasm to Albany to clean up our state capitol. New Yorkers deserve a government that works for them, not against them and I'm confident that Dan Donovan will serve the people of New York well as the Attorney General. I'm proud to support Dan and his campaign to clean up our state government."

New Era Democrats President Rick DeMastro

"The New Era Democrats proudly endorse Dan Donovan in his bid to become New York States next Attorney General. Dan's fair and balanced approach to enforcing the law is what makes him uniquely qualified to serve in this position. In these difficult times, the people of New York deserve an independent prosecutor who will fight to protect them from corruption."

New Era Democrats Founder Mary Sansone

"The New Era Democrats endorses candidates who are best qualified to serve the people regardless of political party. Dan Donovan is an ethical and decent man who understands that the Attorney General is elected to protect the citizenry of New York, not to persecute individuals or industries in order to achieve higher office. The people of New York need an Attorney General who will do what's right for them, not what is politically right for himself. I am proud to endorse Dan Donovan for Attorney General."

The following Law Enforcement Organizations Endorse Dan Donovan:

The New York State Fraternal Order of Police, New York State Court Officers Association, New York State Supreme Court Officers Association, NYC Detectives Endowment Association, NYC Lieutenants Benevolence Endowment Association, NYC Captains Endowment Association, NYC Detectives Investigators Association, Nassau County Detectives Endowment Association, Nassau County Superior Officers Council, Suffolk County Detective Investigators Association, Suffolk County Superior Officers Council and the MTA Police Benevolent Association.



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Hall of Shame

- Former legislative leader sentenced to two years in jail for using his office, staff and clout to earn millions from companies and unions seeking business from the state. ([NY Times 5/8/10](#))
- Charity set up to help victims of Hurricane Katrina received thousands in "Member Item" funds, only to see the money never reach the victims. ([NY Post 2/9/10](#))
- Legislative leader used clout and career connections to secure millions for non-profit health center that he ran, only to use the funds for his personal use and to line the pockets of friends and family. ([NY Times 4/10/10](#))
- Late bidders, with little history and fuzzy math, use clout and connections to legislative leaders to secure lucrative video-gaming license at Aqueduct race track. Public calls for deal to be canceled. ([NY Daily News 2/17/09](#))
- Legislative leaders moonlight for personal injury law firms while working to block meaningful legislation that would improve health care and reduce costs. Similarly, these law firms also receive government contracts to recover Medicaid billings on a lucrative contingency fee basis. ([NY Post 3/20/07](#); [1/5/10](#); [op-ed 4/2/09](#))
- Former New York State Comptroller's top political adviser uses connections to New York State Common Retirement fund to pocket millions in bogus "placement" fees. ([NY Times 5/15/09](#))
- Former New York State Comptroller pleads guilty to misusing state drivers to chauffeur his wife around town. He resigns from office. ([NY Sun 12/22/06](#))

The list goes on and on.

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The Issues

Reforming Albany:

- The New York State Attorney General must have original jurisdiction over all cases of political corruption. Local law enforcement does not have the resources to effectively prosecute these offenses and we must finally hold legislators accountable for their "member items" and expose any and all conflicts of interest.

State Contractors and Pensions:

- As Attorney General I will go after abusive contractors, under-performing pension managers, and root out abuse in our Public Authorities. The people of New York deserve on-time and on-budget contracts, superlative performance of the pension system, and smooth running government that doesn't constantly raise fees and tolls to meet its operating budget.

Terrorism:

- We must utilize the powers of the Attorney General to track the flow of terrorist money into sham charities and non-profit organizations that serve as conduits between cell leaders and local terrorists. Additionally, we must make sure that New York has all the resources necessary to protect itself from attack, and make sure that terrorists are tried in military tribunals far away from New York City.

Medicaid:

- New York has the highest Medicaid bill in the nation. We will continue to combat Medicaid fraud all over this state and we will fight to return monetary recoveries to local governments who are collapsing under the weight of their share of Medicaid costs.



Immigration Reform:

- We are all the products of immigration, and the Federal government must achieve a sensible solution immediately, a national solution that recognizes our immigrant heritage and protects our borders. We can not have a chaotic system where each of the fifty states enacts their own immigration laws.

Domestic Violence: improving the use of technology

- I recently authored the Domestic Violence Law of 2010, a law that was introduced in the state legislature to protect victims of domestic violence, by strengthening orders of protection, improve the use of technology in enforcing orders of protection and to protect women from all forms of domestic violence. This law must be passed. As Attorney General I will help local law enforcement to prosecute all perpetrators and protect all victims of abuse.

Sex-Offenders:

- I will continue to strongly advocate for a system of "civil confinement" to keep sex-offenders locked up after they have completed their statutory sentences. Sex-offenders should only be allowed to return to society when we are certain that they are no longer a threat to society and the communities they want to live in.

Illegal Guns:

- As district attorney, I have fought to keep illegal guns off the streets in Staten Island, and have taken this issue to Congress as well. We must stem the flow of illegal guns into our state, close all sale loopholes that endanger safety and security and protect the rights of law

abiding citizens.

Financial Fraud:

- The Attorney General of New York has a long history of protecting investors and consumers from financial crimes, but we must promote fair markets and not bring cases simply to get headlines. Wall Street is the financial backbone of our state, and we must ensure that it continues to create jobs and remain the economic generator our state depends on.

Mortgage Fraud:

- I recently stood with Senator Schumer and all five NYC District Attorneys – all democrats- to promote legislation that protects homeowners from the recent wave of mortgage refinance and debt-reorganization scams. Along with “Habitat for Humanity” we worked to educate the public about these scams. As Attorney General, we will continue to prosecute these crimes.

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