

# Derek Schmidt (R-KS-2)

#### **BIOGRAPHY**

Life long Kansan who served as a State Senate Majority Leader and Attorney General where he prioritizes effective governing and limited government influence

**EDUCATION** 

Graduated, Doctoral Law Studies, University of Kansas School of Law; JD, Georgetown University

**WORK HISTORY** 

Partner, Husch Blackwell, 2023-Present; Managing Member, Tan Door Holdings, LLC, 2016-Present; Attorney General, State of Kansas, 2011-2023





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#### **POLICY POSITIONS**



#### A fiscal conservative, Schmidt favors lower taxes and limited public assistance

Signed the American Tax Reform's Taxpayer Protection pledge to commit to voting against increases in income taxes while
serving in Congress; proposed a "Retire Tax Free" plan that would eliminate state income tax on retirement benefits like Social
Security and pensions and various types of retirement plans



#### Opposes efforts by the federal government to regulate greenhouse gas emissions

 Challenged multiple Biden and Obama Administration efforts to mitigate climate change through executive actions with fellow Republican attorney generals; worked with lowa Attorney General Tom Miller (R-IA) to request EPA approval for E15 fuel, which is usually banned in the summer due to air pollution concerns



### Holds conservative views on abortion, Second Amendment rights, and LGBTQ+ issues

Seeks to reinstate anti-abortion laws that were previously struck down by courts, such as a ban on the dilation and evacuation (D&E) abortion procedure, which is common for second-trimester abortions; a proponent of a textualist interpretation of the Second Amendment, Schmidt filed a brief in favor of a firearms association's challenge to New York's proper-cause requirement for firearm carrying outside one's home; in 2022, the Supreme Court overturned that requirement in New York State Rifle & Pistol Association, Inc. v. Bruen

#### **DISTRICT PROFILE: KS-2**

**POPULATION** 

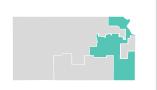
725,930

MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME

\$62,337

**RACE & ETHNICITY** 

71% White, 6.8% Black, 1.9% Asian, 13% Hispanic



## **DONATIONS**

Total raised: \$497,129

TOP THREE INDUSTRIES

- Hospitals/Nursing Homes
- Commercial Banks
- · Health Professionals

ELECTION RESULTS			Other
2024 GENERAL:	Boyda (38.3%)		Schmidt (57.1%)
CPR* RATING:			Solid R