



2026 ATTORNEY GENERAL CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE



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CANDIDATES

WHO JOINED US

IN COMMUNITY



MICHAEL DOUGHERTY



HETAL DOSHI



DAVID SELIGMAN

INVITED BUT DECLINED TO APPEAR IN-PERSON:

- JENA GRISWOLD (D)
- DAVID WILLSON (R)
- MICHAEL ALLEN (R)

JENA GRISWOLD RETURNED THE QUESTIONNAIRE,
DAVID WILLSON AND MICHAEL ALLEN DID NOT

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WHO IS THE ATTORNEY GENERAL?

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL ACTS AS THE STATE'S LAWYER AND HELPS ENSURE LAWS ARE ENFORCED FAIRLY AND LEGALLY.

AN ATTORNEY GENERAL TYPICALLY:

- Enforces state laws and defends the state in court
- Investigates corruption, fraud, consumer protection violations, and civil rights abuses
- Provides legal advice to state agencies and officials
- Files lawsuits on behalf of the state or residents
- Reviews and enforces regulations involving businesses, nonprofits, and public institutions

HOW THE AG IMPACTS CIVIL RIGHTS & LAW ENFORCEMENT ACCOUNTABILITY

INVESTIGATES PATTERNS OF POLICE MISCONDUCT

An AG can investigate whether a police department engages in a pattern or practice of unconstitutional policing, including excessive force, racism, wrongful arrests, retaliation against whistleblowers, failure to investigate officer misconduct, and corruption or coverups.

ENFORCES CIVIL RIGHTS LAWS

The AG can investigate violations involving racial profiling, disability discrimination, first amendment retaliation, unconstitutional jail conditions, and abuse of people experiencing mental health crises.

BRINGS CIVIL ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS TO PUBLIC ACTORS

An AG has the ability to sue public actors like police departments, sheriffs' offices, municipalities, and state agencies. This can result in consent decrees, court-ordered reforms, monitoring agreements, changes to training and policies, and financial penalties.

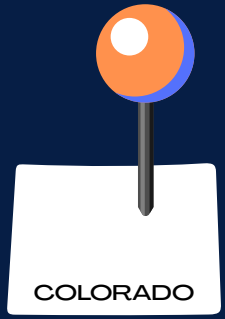
BRINGS CIVIL ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS TO PRIVATE ACTORS

An AG has the ability to sue private actors like corporations and individuals for violating consumer protection laws, civil rights laws, environmental regulations, labor laws, or engaging in fraud, corruption, discrimination, deceptive business practices, or other conduct that harms the public.

ISSUE LEGAL OPINIONS & GUIDANCE

The AG tells state agencies and law enforcement how reforms should be implemented, what constitutes constitutional policing, and how transparency laws apply. The AG can oversee law enforcement misconduct tracking systems by maintaining certification databases, investigating agencies that fail to report misconduct, and enforcing transparency requirements.

WHY AN ATTORNEY GENERAL FORUM IN FIVE POINTS?



Denver's historically Black Five Points neighborhood has long been, and continues to be, a center of culture, resilience, activism, and community leadership. Five Points community members have experienced decades of displacement, divestment, gentrification, and over-policing.



Black, Brown, immigrant, LGBTQ+, and disabled community members have experienced the deepest and most harmful impacts of Colorado's criminal legal system.

It is critical that the communities and neighborhoods most affected by policing, prosecution, incarceration, and state violence have direct access to the candidates seeking to lead Colorado's top law enforcement office.

GET TO KNOW THE CANDIDATES



MICHAEL DOUGHERTY
HETAL DOSHI
DAVID SELIGMAN
JENA GRISWOLD

QUESTIONNAIRE

WHAT MAKES YOU THE BEST CANDIDATE TO SERVE AS COLORADO'S NEXT ATTORNEY GENERAL?

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MICHAEL DOUGHERTY



CURRENT ROLE:

DISTRICT ATTORNEY
Twentieth Judicial District

WHAT MAKES YOU THE BEST CANDIDATE TO SERVE AS COLORADO'S NEXT ATTORNEY GENERAL?

I'm running for Attorney General because Colorado needs a proven prosecutor who will fight for justice, protect our democracy, and stand up for our values. Colorado deserves an Attorney General who has real courtroom experience holding people accountable and fighting for Colorado. Our next Attorney General must have a proven track record as a leader and a vision for the future of Colorado. I am the one candidate who has served as a prosecutor and leader for the Attorney General's Office. I understand the importance and impact of that office, how to set the priorities, and how to lead a staff of over 700 people. Colorado needs an Attorney General who can lead through these tumultuous times. I have led the Manhattan DA's Office, Colorado AG's Office, and DA's Office. I am the only candidate who has served at the AG's Office, handled cases all around the state, and has strong bipartisan support to become Attorney General.

HETAL DOSHI



RECENT ROLE:

**DEPUTY ASSISTANT
ATTORNEY GENERAL**

U.S. Department of Justice Antitrust Division

WHAT MAKES YOU THE BEST CANDIDATE TO SERVE AS COLORADO'S NEXT ATTORNEY GENERAL?

A daughter of immigrants, I grew up across the Deep South in a society that didn't always see families like mine as equal. I went into law because I believed I could change that. It's why I've focused much of my work on white collar crime – the bullies and cheaters who believe the rules don't apply to them. The next AG must defend Colorado against a federal government that treats Black and Brown communities as targets, not equals. She must be ready to race to the courthouse the moment masked ICE agents show up at a school. And she must take on corporations that rip us off and keep working people down. I'm the only candidate who's been a federal prosecutor and is an expert in federal power. The only one who's tried both criminal and civil cases. The only one who's led lawsuits against the largest corporate abusers in the world – and won. I've spent my career fighting for working families, and I'll never stop fighting for them as our next AG.

DAVID SELIGMAN



CURRENT ROLE:

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Towards Justice – Non-Profit

WHAT MAKES YOU THE BEST CANDIDATE TO SERVE AS COLORADO'S NEXT ATTORNEY GENERAL?

I've never run for office, and I haven't spent my career working inside a bureaucracy. I'm the only candidate in this race who has dedicated my legal career to representing individuals, the underdog, on the hardest days of their lives standing up in court (and in the legislature too) in cases against the Polis Administration, the Trump Administration, and the biggest corporations in the world and winning. That experience matters now more than ever for two reasons (1) I have the experience using the law in bold and courageous ways to hold the powerful accountable for trampling our rights, like a first in-the-nation antitrust case for rideshare drivers or a novel case against the Polis Administration for violating our prohibitions against involuntary servitude, even inside our prisons; and (2) I understand how our legal system is so often rigged against us by wealthy and powerful interests, and I'll be focused like a laser on unrigging it.

JENA GRISWOLD



CURRENT ROLE:

SECRETARY OF STATE
State of Colorado

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NEXT ATTORNEY GENERAL?**

As Secretary of State, I led the fight to defend democracy against Donald Trump. When Tina Peters compromised her county's voting equipment to try to prove Trump's election conspiracies, I held her accountable. After January 6th, I fought to remove Trump from Colorado's ballot despite facing death threats. And I am being sued by Trump for refusing to turn over Coloradans' private data to the federal government. As Attorney General, I will continue standing up to Trump to protect our rights and our state.

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SELIGMAN

Transformation means reorienting the system toward public safety--confronting mass incarceration that has devastated communities and made them less safe, and attacking the criminalization of poverty, especially the municipal court treadmill that turns a missed fine into a warrant into a lost job into a lost home. As AG, I'll use my pattern and practice authority and the convening power of this office to attack these problems. It means going on offense against threats to our safety coming from corporate boardrooms, where the AG is uniquely positioned to act--polluters, predatory landlords, big tech algorithms manipulating our kids, etc. And decades of underinvestment in mental health, behavioral health, and substance use treatment has itself created a massive public safety crisis in Colorado. As AG, I'll create a Community Health and Safety Fund and invest the proceeds of this corporate accountability litigation into the community-based infrastructure we should have built long ago.

Crime rates are lower since their pandemic spike, but there is still further to go to ensure that every Coloradan feels safe. Public safety depends on economic opportunity and social justice - we cannot incarcerate our way to safety. As AG, I will focus on the root causes of crime. We have a country rigged against working people. Corporations illegally driving up costs or making it hard to earn a living wage - these are tremendous problems that I will work to address. We must also ensure that those who were formerly incarcerated are able to reintegrate into communities. That is why I am proud to have worked to pass parole reenfranchisement, and look forward to working on this as AG. Finally, we must tirelessly advocate for victims of crime. That means fixing the rape kit backlog and passing a stronger assault weapons ban in Colorado. As your AG, I will take a holistic approach to public safety.



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DOUGHERTY

The existing legal framework is failing Coloradans. For me, it is a three-pronged approach. First, I will continue working to address behavioral health needs in the community – and not just when people end up in the justice system. Second, it is about reducing violence by working on affordability issues, gang intervention, and gun violence reduction. Finally, it is about ensuring the criminal justice system operates correctly in holding violent offenders accountable. We currently incarcerate individuals for minor technicalities on parole, even when they pose no threat to public safety. In fact, nearly 5,000 people remain behind bars in our state despite having already reached their eligibility for release. The Legislature is currently giving more money to private prison corporations. Private prisons must be banned in the State of Colorado.

This transformation begins and ends with addressing the root cause of crime and making a decision as a society to focus on those root causes. These causes include poverty, mental health and substance abuse challenges, and structural inequality. Failure to address these leave in an endless cycle of using the criminal justice system to patch over our broader social and policy failures. As AG, I'll focus enforcement on the abuses that hit working families hardest: corporate consolidation, wage theft, worker misclassification, the algorithmic rent schemes like RealPage that squeeze working families first. Our ability to meaningfully unrig our economic systems empowers communities with affordable housing, health care, and options - all of which will inure to the benefit of public safety.



DOSHI

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WHAT EXPERIENCE DO YOU HAVE WITH THE LEGISLATIVE PROCESS IN COLORADO?

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GRISWOLD

As the only candidate in this race to hold statewide elected office, I have 7 years of experience working with the state legislature. As Secretary of State, we worked with the legislature to expand voting access by guaranteeing access on public colleges and tribal lands and passing automatic voter registration. My office championed laws to ban guns near voting places, protect election workers, and make it a crime to compromise voting equipment. As AG, I will pursue legislation to protect Coloradans against corporate greed and Donald Trump. My top priority will be getting the Worker Protection Act signed into law. I will also work with the legislature to pass a stronger assault weapon ban and promote increased authority for the AG to enforce environmental regulations.

Throughout my career, I have used every platform, from legislative testimony to public advocacy, to advocate for justice in policing and policing reform, gun violence prevention, protections for consumers, and putting guardrails in place to prevent kids and teens from online predators. My legislative experience is rooted in a proven track record of fighting for the most vulnerable. I led Colorado's Sentencing Reform Task Force, where we secured bipartisan support for massive reforms to our state's sentencing laws. I also strongly championed SB-276 to ensure that state and local resources and information are not used for federal immigration enforcement, protecting schools, hospitals, and daycare centers as safe spaces. As your Attorney General, I will continue to build on AG Weiser's work and my record of leading bipartisan reform efforts for all of Colorado.



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I'm a career lawyer, not a politician, and during my tenure at DOJ for more than a decade, I was prohibited from actively participating in the legislative process. But the cases that have defined my career were built on political coalitions – with state attorneys general, community leaders, and the working people I went to court to fight for. As a federal prosecutor, I have partnered with state and local municipalities on the refinement of hate crimes and civil rights laws. I have also worked to help national efforts with respect to legislation to rein in BigTech as well as BigAg. In Colorado, the AG should advise lawmakers on what can survive a court challenge. This is an important qualification because poor legal advice can sink good policy. That's why I'll work hand in hand with legislators and the communities most affected to ensure our laws are durable and are capable of protecting the most vulnerable.

Over my career at Towards Justice, I've helped draft, advocate for, and pass roughly a dozen pieces of legislation--going after wage theft, strengthening consumer protection, preventing billion-dollar hospitals from hiding behind debt collectors, stopping corporate landlords from burying renters in junk fees and more. I've also drafted and fought for a prohibition on surveillance wages and prices and a ban on rent-setting algorithms--both vetoed by Governor Polis at the urging of corporate donors who have too much influence over this administration. As AG, I'll be a full legislative partner with progressive reformers, and an independent law enforcement voice--including on criminal legal reform, where I won't simply defer to the DA's Council when my views diverge. That takes courage. It takes someone willing to stand up not just against the other party but inside their own. I've never been afraid to do that.



SELIGMAN

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DOSHI

Standing up the Trump administration is job #1 for the next AG. Every candidate in this race will tell you ICE is at the top of that list. But what matters is who has the experience to defend our communities from these abuses on a moment's notice. When ICE agents run warrantless stops, stake out grocery stores and mobile home parks, and detain parents in front of their kids – we need an AG who can be in court in half an hour to stop the abuse. When they threaten to do the same at polling locations come the fall, that's not law enforcement – that's intimidation. I'm the only candidate who's been a federal prosecutor. I know how the feds operate, and that knowledge is the difference between standing up to them and actually beating them. There are lots of forms of experience in this race, but this is the only one that matters when it comes to defending the rights and wellbeing of the communities ICE threatens.

I have been on the frontline standing up to Trump's attempts to undermine our elections. In March, I led a letter with a coalition of secretaries of state seeking confirmation in writing that immigration agents would not be at polling locations during the 2026 election cycle. I have repeatedly worked with the state legislature to strengthen Colorado's gold-standard elections. This past session, my office championed HB26-1113, which will require ballots be sent to voters sooner, strengthen the prohibition on voter interference, and prohibit any candidate seeking a third term of the Presidency from appearing on Colorado's ballot. My office is working tirelessly to ensure that Colorado's 2026 election is free and fair. The Constitution doesn't disappear because someone is wearing a badge - I will hold any individual interfering in Colorado's elections accountable.



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SELIGMAN

We should abolish ICE. This paramilitary immigration enforcement scheme is making us all less safe. I have clients afraid to call 911, afraid to report wage theft, afraid to access the protections the law is supposed to guarantee them. I'm litigating one of the largest human trafficking class actions in American history against the private prison company running the Aurora detention facility. As AG, I will prosecute ICE officers who violate Coloradans' rights, including the right to vote free from intimidation, and I've been saying that since before the Minnesota invasion. I'll hold accountable state and local law enforcement collaborating with ICE. We sued and stopped the Governor from turning over Coloradans' personal information to ICE. I'll fight for expanded state-law protections. I was disappointed when Democrats and district attorneys helped kill the No Kings Act. I'll also use the AG's authority to enter detention facilities and enforce state law protections.

I will hold DHS and ICE fully accountable for misconduct. I am the only candidate who has successfully prosecuted police officers and elected officials. I recently teamed up with DA Brian Mason on an op-ed that lays out our plan and commitment to doing so. I will also remain steadfast in my opposition to any federal or state measures that would mandate citizenship verification for accessing essential services. As Attorney General, I am committed to defending against any efforts to seize personal records or identifying data used to target immigrant communities. Furthermore, I will pursue aggressive civil rights litigation against any entity or individual that unlawfully denies services to residents based on their immigration status. This is why I have established a dedicated Immigrant Protection Program within the DA's office, conduct extensive "Know Your Rights" training, and worked tirelessly to codify expanded protections into our state law.



DOUGHERTY

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Absolutely not. As an experienced criminal law practitioner and someone who has worked to ensure that public defenders in capital cases are similarly not a “lowest bidder” outcome, I know that tying liberty interests to economic profit is a road to hell. GEO Group's ICE detention center in Aurora is a clear example: medical neglect, insufficient food, and labor performed for almost nothing. I'll oppose handing our rights to private operators. And when they break the law, I'll see them in court. I've taken on private companies that abuse their power for profit – the banks that crashed the economy, RealPage's algorithmic rent scheme – and I know they don't back down without a fight. The good news is that when you hold accountable those who abuse their power, it can deter the next criminal. That's why the next AG has to partner with groups like the Denver Justice Project to surface threats in real time. Accountability takes partnership – that's how we protect every community.

Private prisons should be outlawed. This is not a new issue for me. I have been fighting since becoming District Attorney in 2018. Allowing profit into the criminal justice system for any purpose undermines its integrity, effectiveness, and erodes public trust in the justice system. We would never tolerate profit incentives for law enforcement officers, judges, public defenders, or prosecutors and we should not do so for prisons. Private prisons also have long, concerning histories of health and safety risks to both inmates and staff. I have developed robust and successful Restorative Justice and Diversion Programs in my office. These programs help people to get on the right track without the collateral consequences of a criminal conviction. I launched the first Mental Health Diversion Program in the state, the first Fresh Start Warrant Forgiveness Program, and the first Driver Diversion Program in our state. As Attorney General, I will work to take these programs statewide.



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SELIGMAN

No. Colorado should not be contracting with for-profit prisons, and we should ban them outright, but we know that fight can't be purely legislative. We have to meaningfully hold ICE and GEO accountable. This is work I've dedicated much of my career to. I've helped lead the first-in-the-nation litigation against GEO Group for its exploitation of people at the Aurora facility. We've established that GEO and ICE are not above generally applicable state law. As AG, I'll use every tool of this office to enter these facilities and enforce those protections. I'll work with community advocates and civil rights organizations as genuine partners. And I'll work with local governments to use zoning authority to prevent expansion of facilities like Hudson. The immigration detention industrial complex has made billions off human suffering. The AG is uniquely positioned to use the tools of this office to make sure those profiting off these atrocities pay.

For-profit prisons should be banned. Various national studies have shown that private prisons often have higher rates of violence, understaffing, lower staff training standards, and in some cases, worse conditions than public facilities. There is also reason to doubt the private prison industry's claims that private prisons are more efficient or cost-effective, largely because the private prisons tend to house the less expensive inmates, leaving the more expensive inmates in the publicly run facilities. I believe we need to move away from profit-motivated incarceration, and we need to take steps to prevent any prison in Colorado from being operated for profit.



GRISWOLD

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DOUGHERTY

Yes. I am the only District Attorney who testified in support of Senate Bill 20-217. Officially known as the Enhance Law Enforcement Integrity Act, it was a sweeping police accountability law. It instituted historic reforms to use-of-force standards, officer liability, and data transparency across the state. I supported it, despite intense pressure to do otherwise. As District Attorney since 2018, I am the only one in the state who has published my Brady list in the media every year because the public has a right to know. I support tracking prosecutorial misconduct, including court-issued sanctions and cases overturned for intentional or knowing misconduct by prosecutors, as a measure to increase transparency and accountability. Having spent my career as a prosecutor dedicated to investigating and ensuring accountability within law enforcement, I am firmly committed to a vision of public safety for all Coloradans rooted in equity and trust rather than intimidation or uncertainty.

Yes. The integrity of the American legal system relies on prosecutors upholding the highest standards of justice as key actors ensuring fair proceedings for every individual. The accountability of public officials is a bedrock of our democracy, and that must include accountability in cases of prosecutorial misconduct. It is essential for justice, the safeguarding of fundamental civil rights, and also for fostering trust between prosecutors and the communities they are sworn to protect.



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DOSHI

I believe in transparency, both to hold bad actors accountable and to give Coloradans confidence in the system that represents us. Prosecutors hold enormous power and have a responsibility to deploy it responsibly and on behalf of our community. When they are judged to have broken the law or abused that power, they should be held accountable. I look forward to working with the Denver Justice Project on how to build a tool that deters misconduct while respecting the rights of the people most affected by it: incarcerated and justice-involved Coloradans, and the public servants who do this work with integrity.



SELIGMAN

Yes — without hesitation.

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