

Colorado

Voters in Colorado will elect a Governor and Lt. Governor, Attorney General, and state legislators in the 2018 election cycle. All 65 seats in the State House are up as well as 17 seats in the 35-member State Senate. Democrats are expected to maintain control of the lower chamber. The Senate is a target for a Democratic pick up and a target for a defensive hold for Republicans.

Attorney General

Republican Nominee

[George Brauchler](#)

George Brauchler is the current District Attorney for Colorado's 18th Judicial District. He is also a member of the U.S. Army Reserve and Colorado Army National Guard.

Brauchler does not wish to "legislate through litigation" and is running as a law and order candidate. He believes that the policy divide between the rest of the state and more liberal areas of Denver and Boulder has gotten larger. He wants to open regional offices across the state to work with District Attorneys, particularly in more rural areas to assist in matters that would normally take a back seat to those in the Capitol region.

He is campaigning on his record as a D.A. He wants to continue fighting human trafficking and elder abuse. He aims to protect consumers from fraud and to stop those who commit Medicaid and food stamp fraud. He has stated many times that he will abide by the will of the voters and protect the state's marijuana industry including supporting easy to understand rules and regulations and fighting against [federal government overreach](#) in the industry.

Brauchler believes that a long-term solution to the opioid epidemic requires a multi-faceted approach including law enforcement, health care practitioners, and the community. When asked about joining the multi-state lawsuit against opioid manufacturers, Brauchler was non-committal on joining and [stated](#) that, "In the wrong hands attorneys general across the country can link hands and go after an industry or a business and bring them to their knees..."

***Trivia:** Brauchler originally declared to run for Governor but reversed his decision when current Attorney General Cynthia Coffman (R) jumped into it leaving the office of Attorney General open.*