

## New York

Voters in New York will elect a Governor, Lt. Governor, Attorney General, and state legislators in the 2018 election cycle. All 150 seats are up in the state Assembly and all 63 seats are up in the state Senate. Democrats are expected to maintain the Governor's Mansion and Assembly. The state Senate, currently controlled by Republicans due to a Democrat choosing to caucus with them, is a battleground chamber.

### Governor

#### Republican Nominee

#### [Marc Molinaro](#)

Marc Molinaro has served as County Executive for Dutchess County since 2011. His campaign is focusing on three main issue areas: taxes, transparency, and the MTA.

Molinaro is running on an anti-tax proposal. He wants to eliminate the state's "corruption tax", eliminate the "millionaire's tax," and reduce the property tax and make the cap permanent. He supports expanding the Earned Income Tax Credit and increasing the child tax credit. Molinaro also wants to codify a spending cap in the state budget.

Molinaro is also proposing ethics and transparency policies. He supports term limits for some executive offices (including the governorship) and the Assembly and Senate. The plan includes banning political contributions from entities that do business with the state. He also wants to implement redistricting reform.

Molinaro has released a plan to revitalize the Metropolitan Transit Authority (MTA). He believes the MTA is overstaffed. The plan calls for procurement reform. It calls for the MTA to actively seek to involve itself in labor negotiations between unions and contractors. He also wants to improve the environmental review process.

*Trivia: Molinaro won his first race at the age of 18.*