

## ARIZONA

Voters in Arizona this year will elect a governor, lieutenant governor, and attorney general. All 30 seats in the State Senate are on the ballot as well as all 60 seats in the State House. All executive level races are expected to be competitive. Republicans have an edge in legislative contests.

### Attorney General Democratic Nominee

[Kris Mayes](#)

Kris Mayes (D) is hoping to replace Attorney General Mark Brnovich (R), who is term limited. Mayes served on the Arizona Corporation Commission as a Republican from 2003 to 2011. She joined Janet Napolitano (D)'s gubernatorial campaign as a press secretary, later taking a senior role in Napolitano's administration. She became a Democrat in 2019.

Mayes believes that border security is under the purview of the federal government, and if elected she [pledges](#) to hold the federal government responsible for neglecting that responsibility.

She [plans](#) to prosecute fraudsters and scammers who take advantage of Arizona's consumers, citing her efforts addressing similar issues as Corporation Commissioner.

Mayes [promises](#) to hold corporations accountable, again referring to her experience as Corporation Commissioner when she dealt with the 2003 Kinder Morgan gas pipeline rupture.

She [believes](#) that elder abuse is an important topic in Arizona, which she calls a "retirement state." According to Mayes, financial exploitation, fraud, abuse, and neglect directed at seniors have increased substantially in recent years.

Mayes has formed a 16-point [plan](#) to preserve water supplies, investigate the business deal between the state of Arizona and a Saudi Arabian company that allows the company to pump out groundwater from the Butler Valley, and address water pollution. She expresses commitment to conservation efforts, toting her co-authorship of the Arizona Renewable Energy Standard as Corporation Commissioner.

Earlier this year she [filed](#) an amicus brief supporting vote-by-mail in the Arizona Supreme Court.

Mayes [hopes](#) to address the fentanyl crisis in Arizona by increasing public awareness and supporting harm reduction strategies such as legalized syringe exchanges and fentanyl test strips.

She additionally [plans](#) to utilize the Fraud and Special Prosecution Section and the Special Investigations Section of the Attorney General's office to investigate political corruption in the state.

*Trivia: While working as a reporter for The Arizona Republic in 2000, Mayes covered the campaigns of U.S. Senator John McCain (R-AZ) and then-Governor George W. Bush (R).*