

WEST VIRGINIA

Voters in the Mountain State will elect a new governor, attorney general, and treasurer in 2024. All 100 seats in the state house as well as 17 of 34 state senate seats will also be on the ballot in November. Republicans are expected to maintain control of all executive offices and the legislature.

Attorney General

Republican Nominee

John McCuskey

John “JB” McCuskey is currently serving his second term as state auditor. His public service began as a civilian employee for the Department of Defense General Counsel. In 2012, McCuskey was elected to the House of Delegates and served until he was elected as State Auditor in 2016.

As state auditor, McCuskey has focused on increasing the **transparency** of government, particularly **spending**. His office created a real-time data portal to report how tax revenue is spent by the government. Another component of this push for transparency is increased use of the state’s Purchasing Card to streamline processing of state payments. McCuskey led implementation of a machine learning system to track government spending and monitor for **fraud** and trends.

McCuskey established the Public Integrity and Fraud Unit, which has opened more than 200 investigations into local governments. As state auditor, McCuskey is also the land commissioner for the state. He pushed to rewrite tax laws and revamp **property tax processes**.

McCuskey’s campaign platform for attorney general centers on resources and support for **law enforcement**, increased government transparency, protection of the **coal industry** and resistance of federal energy regulations, regulatory reductions for **agriculture**, **pro-life** policies, and protection of the **second amendment**.

Additionally, if elected, McCuskey plans to continue incumbent Attorney General Patrick Morrisey’s policy of lawsuits against the federal government for regulatory overreach as well as to continue any **lawsuits** that Morrisey has already started.

Trivia: McCuskey completed his undergraduate education at The George Washington University in DC.