

NAME: Joe Profit
PARTY: Republican
SEEKING: U.S. House, District 4



Why are you seeking your office?

The good people of the 4th District are being taken for granted. Georgia enjoys an economic boom statewide, but we're still struggling. Why? All we want are our kids educated, our homes safe, and our businesses hiring qualified workers. People want safer school policies and a place to live they can afford. The status quo is appalling. I can't ignore it. People have been cowered into believing that where they are now is all they will be. That's tragic. They deserve more. They deserve the advantages that good leadership brings to a community. They will get that in Joe Profit.

What do you expect to accomplish if elected?

Smart economic plans won't leave anyone behind. When elected, I will make important changes to allow businesses to build, expand, and thrive. Good jobs come to safe communities. I understand business. That means reducing the red tape around business start-ups, keeping taxes low, and using public funds in smart ways to make the district an attractive place to live and do business. Joe Profit stands for good jobs, right here. I'll work for safe places to live, in-reach of seniors, disabled and those just getting started. I'll work so kids leave high school with job skills and a career plan.

What distinguishes your candidacy?

After years of fumbles by our current Congressman, we need a true leader who can bring home a win. Bench the angry pessimist. I have and I will work with Democrats and Republicans when it makes sense to do so. The divisions run deep, but I know how to overcome hardened hearts and change minds. I overcame societal barriers as a college kid, on the sports field, in the classroom, and later in business. I did it fiercely but not angrily. I did it smartly, not foolishly. Faith, family, and teamwork define me. It's "Joe Time." I say, "Profit. Together."

How can we improve school safety?

I've been a teen mentor for years. One thing I know, kids are smart. I want kids and parents to help envision what their school's safety program looks like. They know what's best in their neighborhood. I strongly support strengthening background checks and ways to report potential violent acts before they happen. Every child should be safe in school, and be safe to and from school each day. I support the STOP School Violence Act, which provides grants to begin workable violence prevention programs. We also need to address the despair and hopelessness that leads to social alienation and violence.

Pick one issue. Expand on how you will address it.

Sometimes people give me the benefit of the doubt when they hear I was a #1 draft pick for the Atlanta Falcons and doors open. I want to open doors for people who don't have that advantage, including people returning home from prison. I am a leader who has and will continue to work on criminal justice reform. I support the First Step Act. People should leave prison job-ready. Women in prison must be allowed to do their time near their children. Respect and civility define a people. No person is a throwaway. Change the status quo. Vote Joe Profit.

Please give a 100 word summary on your background

I grew up without money, but not poor. I was rich in family and faith. Being an Atlanta Falcon reinforced lessons regarding perseverance, discipline, and teamwork. That's partly why I was recognized as one of the most prominent small businessmen in America. I know smart economic development won't leave anyone behind. I have a plan and the relationships to make it happen now. It's important you know that Joe Profit is no career politician. I never sought public office before. I know there's more to gain by working together. Vote Joe Profit. Check me out at www.joeprofitforcongress.com. Profit. Together.