

**NAME: Gary Black**  
**PARTY: Republican**  
**SEEKING: U.S. Senate**

**1. Why are you seeking your office?**

I am running to restore conservative leadership to the United States Senate. The elections of 2020 and the Senate Runoff of 2021 left Georgia conservatives without a voice in the U.S. Senate. Since then, Joe Biden and his rubberstamp Senator, Raphael Warnock, have set out to radically change this country. After 15 months, they have unleashed an invasion of our country along its southern border and sent inflation skyrocketing to its highest levels in decades. Congress should focus on issues of securing our nation, the economy, our homes, and our values instead of seeking to fundamentally change America

**2. What do you expect to accomplish if elected?**

I will restore Georgia leadership to the Committees on Armed Services and Agriculture. I will also lead the charge to secure our nation's southern border and restore regular order in the United States Senate.

**3. What distinguishes your candidacy?**

I know the state of Georgia from Seminole County in the South to Rabun County up North. As Commissioner of Agriculture, I have worked everyday to score for our families and small businesses. I have the proven track record of success and the trusted experience necessary to go to Washington and start scoring Georgians on day one.

**4. Pick any one issue. Expand on how you will address it.**

I believe the crisis at our nation's southern border is the most serious security issue facing our country. I have been to the border twice, and I've seen the chaos our policies are wreaking at the border and back home in our communities. Our public safety, our economy, our healthcare systems, and our national security are at risk. Already this year, Customs & Border Patrol have apprehended 13,400 Russian nationals attempting to enter our country illegally. I will not vote yes for any measure in the Senate until we vote "yes" to securing our border.

**5. What are your ideas on curbing all the many area-wide shooting?**

The rampant crime waves that Metro Atlanta experienced in recent years is a direct result of "soft on crime/tough on law enforcement" rhetoric and policies. As a U.S. Senator, I will always support our law enforcement officers. We should work on the federal level to assist local agencies in training and recruiting the next generation of peace officers.

Local law enforcement agencies are strapped for resources and struggling to recruit new officers. I am proud to earn the endorsement of 75 Sheriffs from across Georgia. My goal is to work hand-in-hand with these leaders in the law enforcement community to (100).

**6. Please give a 100 word summary on your background.**

For the past 12 years, I have been honored to serve as your Commissioner of Agriculture. As Commissioner, I have led our State's largest industry by cutting red tape, slashing spending, promoting small business development, and protecting our farmers and consumers from overburdensome regulations from Washington, D.C.

Prior to serving as Commissioner of Agriculture, I was President of the Georgia Agribusiness Council—an organization that functioned similar to the Chamber of Commerce for Agricultural businesses and farmers.