



Attorney General Candidate

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-What programs and partnerships do you see between the Attorney General's office and agriculture in Ohio?

Ohio needs an Attorney General who understands what it's like to work hard in life to get ahead and is willing to use their role to champion the people of Ohio, which includes protecting Ohio farming and farmers. I understand the value of hard work and how important agriculture is to Ohio's economy. My family has a proud relationship with farming—my great grandfather farmed in Lake County. Growing up in Northeast Ohio, we still had many farms which have since been replaced by urban sprawl and overdevelopment, including the family farm my grandfather grew up on in Painesville. My grandfather left his farming life behind to become an auto worker after his Army service but took his lessons on the value of hard work, faith, family, and community with him which he taught us. These are the lessons that helped me forge ahead—working my way first through college and then through law school. I worked full time while attending law school at night—still graduating near the top of my class. Now, I get to give back to my community with public service.

I'm tired of phony politicians willing to say anything to get elected while actually serving big business and billionaires rather than working Ohioans. As your next Attorney General, I'll work hard every day to protect working Ohioans. This means using the resources of the office to protect Ohio's farming economy. The Attorney General's office can accomplish these goals both at the state and the national level by utilizing the attorneys and other resources in the Ohio Attorney General's office to successfully advocate for Ohio farming.

For example, the Ohio Attorney General's office can and should push back against unfair regulations imposed by the Federal government or other states. States like California should not



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be permitted to simply ban Ohio's export crops and livestock simply because they view their regulations as superior and regulations imposed in Washington, D.C. should be challenged if they unfairly and unjustifiably create obstacles for farmers ability to produce and earn a living.

In addition, as Ohio's Attorney General, I would stand up to big utility companies and their supporters in state government who continually use their influence to undermine the rights of farmers to use their land as they see fit. This includes advocacy for reform on the use of eminent domain, which is often used to unfairly take private property away from land owners. As of now, eminent domain is used far too often and is not fairly designed to give land owners a fair shot of keeping their property or being fairly compensated without great expense to the land owners. Finally, as Attorney General, I would continue to advocate for expanding broadband services across the state, especially to rural communities. We must use our positions to ensure all Ohioans have equal access to the technology needed to compete in the future economy. This means that the Ohio Attorney General can and should use their office to advocate in the legislature and the power of the legal system to ensure that Ohio's rural communities are being treated fairly.

Under my administration, the Attorney General's office will always be accessible, fair, open-minded, and present in communities across the state—not just shut in an office in Columbus. I hope to have your support this November, and together we can take back our state from the corrupt politicians and special interests that have been in charge for far too long. To learn more, please visit crossmanforohio.com.