

# **Eric Schmitt (MO)**



## **Biography**

**BIRTH DATE** 

06/20/1975

#### **EDUCATION**

JD, School of Law, Saint Louis Univ., 1997-2000;BA, Truman State Univ.

#### **FAMILY**

Wife: Jaime; 3 Children: Stephen, Sophia, Olivia

# **Background**

Longtime public official who has consistently focused on cutting taxes; became attorney general in Missouri in 2019, and worked to advance a number of conservative priorities before launching his campaign for Senate

After graduating from law school, Schmitt worked in Clayton, Missouri as an attorney.

Joined the Missouri state Senate in 2009; led the bipartisan effort to ban traffic ticket quotas and limit fine revenue, after a traffic stop led to a deadly shooting in Ferguson, Missouri in 2014 amid racial justice protests

Led major state tax policy reforms, which included cuts to taxes on franchises, corporations, and incomes; created automatic tax cuts that triggered when revenues rose

After reaching the Senate term limit, Schmitt ran for Missouri state treasurer where he continued pursuing tax cuts; in 2018, Schmitt championed efforts to create the state's "Show-Me Checkbook," a website detailing state revenues and expenditures

Appointed to attorney general in 2019, filling a vacancy left by newly-elected Sen. Josh Hawley (R-MO), and was elected to a full term in 2020; his tenure as attorney general has focused on advancing GOP priorities through legal challenges, such as seeking to invalidate the Affordable Care Act (ACA), to limit COVID-19 public health measures, to expand oil and gas projects, to prohibit the expansion of LGBTQ+ rights, and to overturn the 2020 presidential election results

Ran for Senate in 2022 to fill a vacancy left by Sen. Roy Blunt (R-MO).

### **State Profile**

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N/A Solid R

## **Election Results**

2022 GENERAL

Schmitt 55%

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