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**Scott Morgan Announces Candidacy for Kansas Secretary of State**

Republican Scott Morgan today announced that he is a candidate for Kansas Secretary of State. He is challenging incumbent Secretary Kris Kobach.

“I realize that it is unusual to challenge a fellow Republican in a primary race,” said Morgan. “But Kris Kobach does not want the job nor is he very good at it. Frankly, he is a bully who must be stopped. He has lost the trust of Kansans.”

Speaking from the capitol building in Topeka, Morgan outlined his unique qualifications for the job. Morgan has held positions on the federal, state, and local government levels and has run a small business. He served on the Federal Election Commission in Washington, DC and worked as Chief Counsel to Bob Dole’s 1988 presidential campaign. Morgan also served as Chief Counsel for Governor Mike Hayden. Locally, Morgan served two terms on the Lawrence school board. For 17 years, Morgan and his wife, Kathleen, owned and operated Morgan Quitno Press, a publishing company specializing in state and city statistical reference books. They sold the company in 2007 to Congressional Quarterly.

“I am proud of the wide range of public and private experience that I bring to this job,” said Morgan. “Yet my biggest qualification is my profound and deep respect for the right to vote.

“Kris Kobach spends his time and energy enlarging government rather than shrinking it. He advocates greater prosecutorial powers for the Secretary of State, continues to increase requirements for Kansas voters, and now is suggesting a complicated and expensive dual voting system. What kind of Republican does that?

“Furthermore, Mr. Kobach views his job as a part time endeavor. He spends hours and hours on his private legal practice, writing ordinances and legislation for clients all over the country. Is that fair to the people of Kansas who pay his state salary?

“We deserve a full time Secretary of State. Kris Kobach does not represent what is decent and good about Kansas and Republicans. At some point, someone needs to stand up and say, ‘Enough is enough.’”

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