

Support from the community:

Sen. Johnny Isakson

"Chris has been my friend and trusted advisor for more than a decade, and the state of Georgia and I have benefited greatly over the years from his wise counsel. He will excel as our state's Attorney General."

Rep. Lynn Westmoreland

"Chris Carr is a trusted conservative who knows how to make government work for the constituents we all seek to serve. He ran a universally respected team for Sen. Isakson as his chief of staff, and Georgia has experienced a hot streak of job creation under his leadership at the Department of Economic Development that will provide high-paying jobs in the Third Congressional District. Georgians will be happy with this choice."

Speaker of the House David Ralston

"Gov. Deal has chosen well in appointing Chris Carr as our next Attorney General. Chris has earned the trust and respect of leaders across the state as he has worked to keep Georgia the envy of the nation as commissioner of Economic Development. I look forward to working with him in his new role."

Atlanta Mayor Kasim Reed

"Chris Carr will make a strong Attorney General for our state and I am pleased to congratulate him on this appointment. Mr. Carr is a dedicated public servant who has worked tirelessly for the people of Georgia. Most recently, as the Commissioner of the Georgia Department of Economic Development, he helped to create jobs and investments in our communities. In that role, he was an essential partner in growing and expanding businesses in Atlanta and beyond. Mr. Carr works with people of all political backgrounds to achieve concrete results, whether it be in Washington for Senator Johnny Isakson, or in his current role. I look forward to continuing to work with him to move our state forward."

State Sen. Brandon Beach (District 21), Economic Development & Tourism Committee Chairman

"I applaud Governor Deal in his selection of Chris Carr to be the next Attorney General of Georgia. Chris's knowledge of the law coupled with his experience working with the legislature and the business community in his role as Commissioner of Economic Development makes Chris uniquely qualified to represent Georgia as our Attorney General."

State Rep. Ron Stephens (District 164), Economic Development & Tourism Committee Chairman

"As chairman of the house economic development committee I have worked with Commissioner Carr for years. I can't think of a man in Georgia more suited for this job."

Josh Belinfante, Partner, Robins Law Firm

"Chris is uniquely and eminently qualified to be Georgia's next Attorney General. So much of what the Law Department does now is address challenges brought by the federal government or that deal with federal matters. Chris understands how federal policies are made and the importance of addressing them head on. He's also devoted a career to public service that has involved the invaluable legal skill of not just interpreting laws but also drafting them. Finally, through his time as Chief of Staff for Senator Isakson and as Commissioner, Chris is a proven and tested manager and will serve Georgians well at the helm of the Law Department. This is truly a fantastic pick."

Bill Jordan, Partner, Alston & Bird

"Chris is a tremendous lawyer, public servant, and leader. I have seen first-hand his keen legal intellect and the concern and compassion he has shown for our State's citizens in his time with Senator Isakson's office and as the state's economic development chief. With his deep knowledge of public policy and his leadership experience, I cannot think of a better choice to serve as Georgia's next Attorney General."

Charles A. "Chuck" Spahos, Prosecuting Attorneys Council Executive Director

"I respect the Governor's decision in filling this very important position. I look forward to working with an Attorney General that will fully embrace the role of representing the state in all civil cases. A strong Attorney General that will vigorously defend the state is welcomed by the prosecution community."

Paul Bowers, Chairman, President and CEO, Georgia Power

"Chris has exhibited outstanding leadership capability as the head of Georgia's economic development organization and has had tremendous impact working with leaders from both the public and private sectors to bring jobs and growth to our state. He has always been pro-business with an unparalleled commitment to development and growth in Georgia. I support his nomination for Attorney General."

Jim Hannan, CEO and President, Georgia-Pacific

"Chris Carr's career has been one of public service. In his role as economic development commissioner, he demonstrated that he has the skills to manage complex issues and has shown that he is someone who leads with integrity and enthusiasm. I am confident he will bring the same positive skill set as attorney general."

Doug Hertz, CEO, United Distributors

"I have known and worked with Chris for quite some time and he is exactly the type of leader that Georgia needs as Attorney General. He understands and cares deeply about our State. He's demonstrated this repeatedly throughout his career, first as Chief of Staff to Senator Isakson, and more recently, as Georgia's 'go to' person tasked with recruiting meaningful jobs and all types of industry to our State."

Larry Gellerstedt: CEO, Cousins Properties

"Commissioner Carr has a reputation as someone who has earned the trust of the people he has worked for and those who have worked for him at each stop along his career path. He has a deep understanding of public policy, government and has been instrumental in helping grow our economy, not just in the metro Atlanta area, but across the state. We are fortunate that Commissioner Carr is taking on the important role as our state's next attorney general."

Hank Linginfelter, Executive Vice President, Southern Company Gas

"As the commissioner of economic development and chief of staff to Johnny Isakson, Chris is known as someone who came to work each day putting the interests of others and what was best for the state first. This is the type of person we need at the top levels of government. Georgia is fortunate that he can step in to fill this important job."

Robert McCallum

"Chris will bring a rare combination of a solid legal background from his time at Alston & Bird, an intimate knowledge of the national political landscape in Washington and the workings of federal agencies and the U.S. Congress from his time as Chief of Staff for Senator Isakson, and an appreciation of the economic strengths and economic potential of our State from his role as the Economic Development Commissioner for Governor Deal. In each position, he has excelled, and in each, I have had the privilege of either working with him or observing the positive influence that his public service had upon the interests of the citizens of our state."

T. C. Spencer Pryor

"I have known Chris Carr since we were classmates at the University of Georgia School of Law. Throughout our careers, we have enjoyed a close professional relationship while Chris was at Alston & Bird, The Georgia Public Policy Foundation, Senator Isakson's staff and the Georgia Department of Economic Development. Chris has always been a smart, hard-working, ethical leader with sound judgment. His broad array of experience as a lawyer, architect of public policy, and Commissioner of the Department of Economic Development will serve him and the citizens of Georgia well in his role as Attorney General. I commend Governor Deal and his staff on the appointment of Attorney General Carr."