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Subject: This Week in RSLC News: Illinois Primaries, Republicans Nominate Former State Representative in Iowa Special Election, and more

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The RSLC has identified over 100 Future Majority Project candidates and over 500 Right Women, Right Now candidates who have filed to run as Republicans in the 23 states that have had filing deadlines pass. Since the formation of these initiatives in 2012, they have helped elect over 100 new diverse Republican state-level candidates and over 400 new female Republican state-level candidates.

NOTEWORTHY NEWS

Illinois Lt. Governor Evelyn Sanguinetti and Governor Bruce Rauner [secured](#) the Republican nomination for their re-election Tuesday night. "The election in November will be a choice, a clear choice, a choice between someone who will stand up to the machine and someone who has long been part of it," Rauner said after declaring victory. House Republican Leader Jim Durkin also successfully [defeated](#) a primary challenger and after his victory, Durkin said, "I don't think the voters are necessarily supportive of extremes. I work hard, my campaign works hard. We did it old school."

Republican activists [nominated](#) former state representative Annette Sweeney as the nominee for the special election for Iowa's 25th Senate District. Sweeney is a farmer and currently serves as Iowa's U.S. Department of Agriculture state rural development director. "I'm here to help our state move forward by applying traditional commonsense values," Sweeney said after gaining the nomination. "I see Iowa poised to lead the whole world."

Michigan Governor Rick Snyder formally [endorsed](#) Lt. Governor Brian Calley's gubernatorial bid. "He has shown great success leading us from the

business side to the people side of our state. He's been a full partner in this," Snyder said of Calley's involvement in his administration. Calley, joining the Governor at a press conference revealing his endorsement, said, "We can bring it all to the next level and keep this comeback going."

The Executive Director of the Republican National Lawyers Association published an op-ed in *The Daily Caller* which lays out the egregious actions taken by the Democratic-controlled Pennsylvania Supreme Court to redraw Congressional districts to their party's own benefit. The author argues, "we are in a crisis of democracy over political control," and describes how liberals have used the partisan elected state Supreme Court to usurp the responsibilities of the Pennsylvania legislature. Read the full piece [here](#).

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