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Subject: This Week in RSLC News: Georgia Primary Runoff Results, Lt. Governor Griffin Pens Op-Ed on Judge Kavanaugh, and more

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DID YOU KNOW...

Arkansas Lt. Governor and RLGA Vice Chairman Tim Griffin served in the Bush White House alongside Supreme Court nominee Brett Kavanaugh. Griffin in [an op-ed](#) this week noted he has followed Kavanaugh's "career with great interest" and said, "His intellect, experience, and commitment to the Constitution make him the ideal addition to the Supreme Court." Griffin went on to praise Judge Kavanaugh for his "proper perspective on separation of powers: Legislators should make the law, and judges should interpret the law."

NOTEWORTHY NEWS

After a hard-fought primary battle, Georgia Secretary of State Brian Kemp [emerged](#) as the Republican gubernatorial nominee after beating Lieutenant Governor Casey Cagle in Tuesday's runoff election. Just days before the election Kemp received the endorsement of President Donald Trump and Vice President Mike Pence. Kemp was appointed to the Secretary of State's office in 2009 after now Congresswoman Karen Handel resigned to run for governor.

RSLC President Matt Walter was featured in [The Hill](#) detailing the electoral landscape for Republicans with just 100 days left until the midterms. While the article included numerous rosy predictions by Democrat pundits, Walter cited the booming economy and rising stock market as indicators that the electoral environment is not even remotely as dire for Republicans as Democrats claim it is.

In other Georgia primary runoff results, state Representative Brad Raffensperger [won](#) the Republican Party runoff for Georgia secretary of state on

Tuesday. Raffensperger, a CEO of an engineering company, emphasized his business experience during the campaign and pledged to support the state's Voter ID law and reduce government bureaucracy. He will face off against former Democrat Congressman Jay Barrows.

RSLC's Future Majority Project Executive Director Neri Martinez was [interviewed](#) by She Should Run, a non-partisan organization that provides a network for women leaders considering a future run for office, about the RSLC's efforts to recruit and support female and diverse down-ballot candidates. "To succeed, authenticity is the most important quality a candidate can have, along with a heart for service, strong work ethic and the ability to learn," Martinez said when asked what qualities embody a good female candidate.

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