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IN CASE YOU MISSED IT...

The Republican State Leadership Committee [released](#) a statement in support of President Trump's nomination of Judge Brett Kavanaugh to the U.S. Supreme Court on Monday, saying Trump's pick, "is a win for voters and the Constitution. Liberal socialists are now assured that future Courts won't accept their bizarre activist arguments – like Obama and Holder's failed 'Right-To-Win' argument in the *Gill v. Whitford* redistricting case."

NOTEWORTHY NEWS

On Wednesday, the RSLC [released](#) a statement in response to former President Barack Obama starring in a promotional [video](#) for the National Democratic Redistricting Committee (NDRC) – Eric Holder's political group that aims to favorably position Democrats ahead of the 2020 redistricting process. The RSLC cited the hypocrisy of the video for failing to mention that Obama drew his own state Senate district in Illinois and that the NDRC's strategy mirrors the RSLC's 2010 Project REDMAP, which helped Republicans capture record high statehouse majorities since 2010 over multiple election cycles.

In an [article](#) from *Bloomberg Government* emphasizing the importance of state legislative races ahead of the 2020 redistricting process and highlighting Republican dominance at the state level, RSLC President Matt Walter said, "Our candidates win by earning votes on the right message and the right issues, which led to Republicans flipping nearly 1,000 state legislative seats in the past decade, on district lines drawn largely by Democrats." Walter also cited how Republicans feel optimistic this fall, "with special election wins and losses being on parity for both sides in 2018, recent

congressional generic ballot polling and a presidential approval rating at its highest yet."

On Wednesday, Colorado Republican gubernatorial candidate Walker Stapleton [selected](#) state Rep. Lang Sias, a former U.S. Navy pilot, as his running mate. After the announcement, Sias released a statement, saying, "I know Walker is the executive Colorado needs because he will move our state forward and save us from Jared Polis' disastrous economic policies."

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