

COMMITMENT TO RUN FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY FOR THE CAPE AND ISLANDS

Thank you all for coming. My name is Rob Galibois, and I stand here before you today to formally announce my candidacy to be the next District Attorney for the Cape and Islands.

In 1995, I arrived on Cape Cod as a volunteer prosecutor for the Cape & Islands District Attorney's Office.

The rich experiences I enjoyed during that time motivated me to return to the District Attorney's Office on a full-time basis in 1997.

For more than five years I stood up on behalf of our communities in all of the courtrooms across the Cape and Islands in the pursuit of justice.

In 2003 I embarked into the world of private practice focusing on criminal law right here in Barnstable Village.

In 2008 I opened my own law practice and gained the immeasurable experience of running a small business.

Together with my wife, Nikki, and our boys, we lived in Bourne for over 18 years. Having been raised to understand the importance of contributing to the fabric of your home town, I served my community in Bourne ranging from being a T-ball and Little League Coach to serving on the Planning Board and the Capital Outlay Committee.

Beyond my years of service in Bourne, I volunteered for the Human Rights Committee of an agency dedicated to individuals with disabilities, was an Advisory Board member for Let's Get Ready — a college prep. organization for underprivileged students, organized teams of volunteers to assemble in excess of 100,000 meal kits to feed those throughout New England at risk of food insecurity during the early, darkest days at the outset of the pandemic, volunteering at the Mass Vaccination Sites to help combat the spread of the coronavirus and engaging in wide



ranging awareness and fund raising campaigns for ALSOne, an organization on a mission to cure ALS.

Community engagement has been and continues to be a lifelong focus that will serve as a guiding principle for my campaign and my vision for the office of Cape and Islands District Attorney.

As District Attorney, I will create a fulltime Community Engagement Officer who will be dedicated to making connections with local leaders across the district in an effort to identify how we can work together to best serve our communities and prevent crime.

In a similar vein, and in order to secure the ongoing trust of the community, openness is necessary between the District Attorney's Office and the people it serves. Transparency and accountability built on open, consistent dialogue - listening and sharing - are paramount. I plan on being in the communities regularly to grow the trust and relationships between my office and the people it serves.

I will seek to maximize efforts to help rebuild the progress that was made to combat the opioid crisis prior to the pandemic by collaborating with the police, dedicated court officials, and area professionals working on the front lines of our health and mental health care systems.

I will pursue the creation of a Mental Health Court Session dedicated exclusively to working with those facing mental health matters with the goal of helping them access the necessary services that will help them live outside the criminal justice system.

In regard to diverting criminal prosecution of first-time offenders for non-violent offenses, my office will be willing to engage those individuals with the appropriate evaluations and extension of community service requirements to avoid a criminal record.

On occasion, our Veterans find themselves entangled in the criminal justice arena. We owe our Veterans the freedoms we enjoy each day. In turn, they deserve our close attention to



respond to the events that bring them to the criminal justice system. A Veterans Court Session, supported by other volunteering Veterans, can provide a venue where dialogue with those who have been there can bring about true understandings of the issues held by Veteran appearing before the Court.

For our Seniors, you are owed a level of comfort knowing that the District Attorney Office will work with local Councils on Aging, elder services, and the Attorney General's Office to identify elder abuse and predatory schemes that target your overall well-being.

To ensure our school children can reach their fullest academic potential without fear of bullying - whether physical, psychological, or cyber-bullying - I will assign a special prosecutor and victim witness assistant who will be collaborating with school administrators and resource officers.

Regarding domestic violence, my office will strive to pursue new avenues to reach those in our communities who quietly suffer at the hands of an abuser to bring their offenses to light and engage the courts for redress.

Finally, to law enforcement officers. While its been some time since we worked together, those of you who continue to serve to protect our neighborhoods, know I remain the same person. I rode alongside many of you during my days as a prosecutor, answered calls to help build a case and stood up before judge to present your work. To that officer working alone in the middle of the night and approaching that car occupied by the unknown, my office will have your back. To that Detective entering her 15th hour of investigating a series of house breaks and is drafting a search warrant, my office will have your back.

Throughout the criminal justice system on the Cape Cod and the Islands I am a known quantity. I have presented myself for over 25 years in all of our courts. The relationships I began back in 1995 still exist today - and I am most grateful.

Over the coming weeks and months I will be working tirelessly to build new relationship throughout the Cape and Islands. I seek to be a representative of all voices.



This is a campaign of ideas. The framework is loosely placed. Your input over this campaign will solidify this framework to arrive at a place where our communities are safe through dedicated service to the members.

Every District Attorney's Office Prosecutes Crime. The Best Ones Strive to Prevent it.

My name is Rob Galibois. And I ask for your time, your support and your vote for District Attorney for the Cape and Islands.

Thank you.