

NAME: Robbin Shipp
PARTY: Democratic
SEEKING: State Labor Commissioner



Why are you seeking your office?

I seek the office of Labor Commissioner because I believe that this Department has failed to serve the needs of the Citizens of this State and needs new direction. Created as a failsafe agency; the Labor Department has tremendous capacity to equip Georgians with skills/knowledge for Jobs of the future. I will, as Labor Commissioner, pursue every opportunity, every Federal dollar available to get Georgians back to work.

What do you expect to accomplish if elected?

When elected I will advocate for raising the minimum wage and pay equality. Additionally, I will ensure that when Corporations move to Georgia, they will do so with assurances of jobs, which pay our Citizens a livable wage.

What distinguishes your candidacy?

My candidacy is distinguished by its frank, honest conversation about the reality of Georgia's economy and things we must do to improve our unemployment rate and our chronically unemployed rate.

What are the key issues in your race?

Key issues in my our race are: minimum wage (one of the lowest, \$5.15 per hour, in the country) and the need to raise the minimum wage; pay equality (women earning less than men) and getting Georgians back to work with Jobs which embrace both the present and future career opportunities.

Pick one issue. Expand on how you will address it.

Future jobs opportunities: renewable energy jobs/green energy jobs and training in the STEM disciplines is the wave of the future. We must equip our citizens to be work force ready through collaborative educational and practicum training/apprenticeships so they can immediately go to work and have fulfilling careers.

Give a 100 word summary of your background.

I have dedicated my career to public service. I have spent approximately eighteen years as an attorney representing primarily low to moderate income individuals with a variety of

legal needs and was elected to two terms in the Georgia Legislature. I now seek to continue my public service as the States next Labor Commissioner where I will dedicate my time to the implementation of policies which improve the numbers of Georgians in the labor force; raising the minimum wage and pay equality