

## UTAH

Voters in Utah this year will elect a governor, Lt. governor, attorney general, and treasurer. All 75 Utah House of Representatives seats are up for reelection as well, along with 14 out of 29 senate seats. Republicans are expected to maintain control of the executive offices and retain their supermajorities in both chambers of the legislature. The state has been under Republican trifecta control for over 30 years.

### Attorney General

#### Democratic Nominee

#### Rudy Bautista

Rudy Bautista (D) defeated David Carlson (D) in the Democratic convention for attorney general to square off against former State Representative Derek Brown (R) in the general election.

Bautista is a criminal defense attorney working in private practice out of Salt Lake City. He graduated from the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy and launched a career as a Merchant Marine officer before attending law school at Brigham Young University. He has represented many clients in a variety of criminal cases including homicide, white collar crime, theft, and more.

Bautista has been a member of the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, the Utah Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, and the National Legal Aid and Defender Association.

*Trivia: Bautista is one of only a few criminal defense attorneys in private practice who is qualified to represent clients facing the death penalty per Utah Supreme Court rules.*