



## **Sam Houston Likely to Announce for Texas AG**

***Respected Texas attorney was a top vote getter in 2008***

As expected, Senator Wendy Davis' announcement that she is running for Texas Governor is encouraging other strong, qualified Democrats to run statewide. The Lone Star Project has learned that highly respected Houston attorney, Sam Houston, will likely soon announce his candidacy for Texas Attorney General.



### **Sam Houston's background is law, not politics**

Apart from having about the best ballot name any Texan might imagine, Sam Houston is a respected, highly competent attorney with deep roots in Texas. With more than 25 years of experience practicing law, Sam would enter the AG's office with more than twice the experience as a practicing attorney than Greg Abbott when he became Attorney General. Unlike Abbott and John Cornyn, who were political appointees and professional Republicans before becoming AG, Sam Houston would bring practical experience advocating for clients in the court room.

Sam was born and raised in Colorado City in west Texas (about halfway between Abilene and Midland). His Dad owned a small auto supply/hardware store where Sam often worked. He went on to get his college degree at UT and then earned his law degree at Baylor. Sam lives in Houston with his wife, Jantha and their two children.

## **Abbott, as Texas AG, has been the counsel to cronies**

As Texas AG for over a decade, [Greg Abbott](#) has turned the office into a legal advocacy organization for partisan politics and doling out special favors to political friends and donors. Recently, the Lone Star Project detailed how Abbott looked the other way while some of his top donors [bilked the Cancer Prevention Research Institute of Texas](#) (CPRIT) of millions of dollars in tax funded grant awards. This follows a long history of Abbott taking the side of special interests over Texas citizens.

## **A top vote getter in 2008**

Sam was a Democratic nominee for the Texas State Supreme Court in 2008. Despite the fact that virtually all resources for statewide candidates were diverted for local candidates and out-of-state national races, Sam received over 3.5 million votes – more than any other Texas Democratic candidate on the ballot in 2008.

## **It's not official, but...**

Don't be surprised if Sam Houston files to run for the Democratic nomination to become Texas Attorney General.

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