

Dylan Hitchcock-Lopez

From: Kit Holmstrom [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, May 3, 2026 1:13 PM
To: House Judiciary
Subject: Stephen J. Cox confirmation as AG

Sent from my iPhone

My name is L. Kathryn Holmstrom and I have been a resident of Alaska for over 40 years. I am in support of the confirmation of Stephen J. Cox as Alaska's Attorney General. He not only has held this position in the past and presided over many complex civil and criminal matters, he has emphasized public safety, consumer protection, and the rule of law. He has also provided regulatory reform by implementing Administration Order 360 and established Alaska's first State Solicitor General. He has proved himself to be extremely competent and a man of integrity; not swayed by political interest.

In short, Stephen J. Cox should be confirmed to the position of Alaska Attorney General.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely, L. Kathryn Holmstrom

William P. Barr

May 1, 2026

Via Electronic Mail

Hon. Andrew Gray
Chair
House Judiciary Committee
State Capitol Room 118
Juneau AK, 99801

Dear Chair Gray:

I am writing to express my support for the confirmation of Stephen Cox as Attorney General of Alaska. Having served twice as Attorney General of the United States, I understand the critical role an attorney general plays in our system of government -- based on the rule of law -- and why this selection matters so much for Alaska. Steve has my unqualified highest support.

I worked very closely with Steve during my last tenure as US Attorney General when he was serving in the office of the Associate Attorney General. I was deeply impressed by his intellectual rigor, energy and diligent execution. But most of all, I saw that Steve possessed the most important trait of all for a lawyer and government leader -- sound judgment -- the prudence to weigh all relevant circumstances and take just the right action the situation calls for.

Steve quickly became a key leader in the Department -- a man in whom I reposed complete confidence. I was so impressed with his leadership abilities that, when the U.S. Attorney position became vacant in a key federal district facing many challenges, the Eastern District of Texas, I called on Steve to fill that important post. Steve excelled as U.S. Attorney. Stepping into a difficult environment, he quickly stabilized the office, won the trust of the key career prosecutors, and amassed an impressive record of achievement.

Steve brought to the U.S. Attorney post a practical, results-oriented enforcement approach. He strengthened white-collar enforcement, expanded healthcare fraud capacity, built partnerships with major financial institutions and law enforcement, and launched initiatives targeting elder fraud and transnational financial crime.

I relied on Steve to help broker the Purdue Pharma global resolution—one of the most complex civil and criminal matters the Department faced—integrating criminal charges, civil fraud claims, and a structure that would direct billions in opioid abatement funding to states, including Alaska.

Early in my tenure, I also relied on Steve to help me execute an important initiative concerning Alaska. My 2019 visit to your great state left a strong impression — the scale of the State, the acute public safety challenges in rural communities and Alaska Native villages, and the need for law enforcement resources. We responded by mobilizing and directing to Alaska over \$10 million in emergency public safety funding on an accelerated timeline. Steve helped oversee the key grant-making components of that effort, ensuring those resources were deployed quickly and effectively to the communities that needed them most.

Importantly for Alaska, Steve knows how federal agencies function — the departments of Justice, Interior, Agriculture, Energy, and the other agencies relevant to Alaska. He understands where decisions are made and how to affect them. This federal-level competence is particularly well suited to Alaska -- a state that routinely faces federal-scale challenges, such as those relating to resource development, federal land issues, regulatory complexity, and public safety in far-flung rural areas. Alaska would benefit from an Attorney General who can operate effectively both within the state and in Washington.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide my views on Steve Cox's eminent qualifications for this important position.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'W. Barr', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

William P. Barr

Dylan Hitchcock-Lopez

From: Becky Walker [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 30, 2026 4:30 PM
To: House Judiciary
Subject: Support for Confirmation of Stephen Cox as Alaska Attorney General

April 28, 2026

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing in support of the confirmation of Stephen Cox for Alaska Attorney General. Here are three reasons why I support his confirmation and would ask for your confirmation votes: his overall character, his wide range of experience & connections, and his proven ability from his first 8 months to-date as Attorney General.

In my interactions with Stephen Cox, I've seen he is a man of his word, incredibly hard-working on projects he commits to, and has a real eye for the betterment of our local communities and the state as a whole. I have personally seen him take on a certain large project that required building a volunteer board, lots of fundraising, hiring of quality administrators, etc. And it's obvious in talking with him that it's all about giving of his time and mental resources toward supporting the building up of our local communities and state in honorable ways. He has also encouraged me and others to do the same in a winsome way that makes us want to give of our time and effort. And I believe we need people in leadership positions who have a mindset like his for the support and betterment of our state and the ability to inspire others toward the same end.

I don't think we could ask for an Attorney General with better experience and connections than Stephen Cox. Having worked at the federal level in D.C. and as US Attorney in Texas, he has great nationwide connections, which could obviously be helpful on so many levels, depending on the matters at hand. Also, I think it's awesome that he has worked for one of our AK Native corporation subsidiaries (under BBNC) since his arrival in AK. So, he's not just coming in with "Lower 48" know-how. He also understands much of the uniqueness of our state.

And finally, his 8 month record as Attorney General to-date makes me want more of what he's already accomplished:

- With the Swickard & Chugach cases, among others, he's shown how he will protect us Alaskans as consumers.
- His protection of "public lands" definitions within ANILCA is huge for protecting our state control from being overtaken by federal control. And he even got 20+ AGs to back us with amicus briefs!
- His work with federal, state, and local officials and even businesses (such as Alaska Airlines) within our state to facilitate drug interdiction encourages me that we're making it harder and harder for drugs to enter our state and take the lives of our residents.
- With the case against the fundraising websites (such as GoFundMe and PayPal, etc.) that have been building pages for Alaska charities without their consent, he's again protecting us and our awesome charities from potential fraud that could harm them financially and even harm their reputations.

I could go on and on, but every time I read the details of cases being handled by Stephen Cox and the Department of Law, I walk away with such appreciation of how he upholds the rule of law, protects Alaska residents, and is helping to shape a more safe, lawful, protective, and honorable state for us.

Becky Walker
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Dylan Hitchcock-Lopez

From: Chad Colliander [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 30, 2026 10:35 PM
To: House Judiciary
Subject: Testimony Supporting AG Stephen Cox

Chair and members of the committee,

My name is Chad Colliander, and I am a resident of Anchorage, Alaska. I'm writing to support the confirmation of Stephen Cox as Alaska's Attorney General.

Alaska's Attorney General must combine strong legal judgment with independence and a clear commitment to serving the public interest. Based on Stephen Cox's experience and record, I believe they are well-qualified to meet that standard.

First, **independence and integrity**. Alaska presents unique legal challenges—from resource development to state sovereignty—and the Attorney General must be willing to provide candid, lawful guidance, even when it's not politically convenient. Stephen Cox has demonstrated the ability to put the law first and maintain professional integrity in complex matters.

Second, **protecting Alaskans**. Whether addressing consumer protection, public safety, or unfair business practices, this office plays a direct role in the daily lives of residents. I am confident that Stephen Cox understands the importance of standing up for Alaskans—especially in a state where geographic and economic challenges can make people more vulnerable.

Third, **respect for Alaska's legal framework and constitution**. The Attorney General must faithfully uphold the rule of law and defend the Alaska Constitution. Stephen Cox's background reflects a commitment to careful legal analysis and consistent application of the law.

Finally, **public trust and accountability**. Alaskans expect transparency, responsiveness, and sound stewardship of public resources. This nominee brings the professionalism and judgment necessary to lead the Department of Law effectively and earn that trust.

For these reasons, I respectfully urge you to confirm Stephen Cox as Alaska's Attorney General.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,
Chad Colliander



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April 30, 2026

The Honorable Andrew Gray
Chair, House Judiciary Committee
State Capitol Room 118
Juneau AK, 99801

Dear Chair Gray,

I am writing to express my support for the confirmation of Stephen Cox as Attorney General of Alaska. I have known Mr. Cox for nearly a decade and can confidently say that he possesses that rare combination of legal acumen, administrative discipline, and an unwavering commitment to the Rule of Law.

I have been a practicing attorney since 2009 and member of the Alaska Bar Association since 2021. I currently chair the Native American Law & Policy Practice at Venable LLP and hold other appointments that allow me to meaningfully advance the interests federally recognized tribes. Previously, I served as Principal Deputy General Counsel for the White House Council on Environmental Quality, Acting Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs, and Deputy Solicitor for Indian Affairs. In each of these roles in federal service, Mr. Cox was a friend and mentor. But before that, he was a colleague in the Office of the Associate Attorney General, U.S. Department of Justice. There, and in his subsequent role as a United States Attorney, he prioritized the protection of the most vulnerable—targeting healthcare fraud, elder abuse, and violent crime—while maintaining a reputation for transparency and fairness. These experiences are invaluable as Alaska navigates its own public safety challenges.

Beyond his work at the U.S. Department of Justice, Mr. Cox has unique familiarity with Alaska's economic and regulatory environments. His service as Senior Vice President and Chief Legal and Strategy Office for a subsidiary of Bristol Bay Native Corporation (BBNC) highlights his understanding of the intersection between industry, tribal interests, and state policy. For nearly five years, he and I have worked to advance BBNC priorities and, more recently, educate federal officials in the Lower 48 on the important economic and social roles Alaska Native village and regional corporations play in the State.

Beyond his formidable legal experience, Mr. Cox has demonstrated commitment to his community, including active participation in church life at Holy Family Old Cathedral in Anchorage and service as a founding member of the Thomas Moore Classical School, also in Anchorage. In both cases, Mr. Cox has consistently demonstrated a desire to build and sustain those faith and education institutions that make Alaska a better place to live.

I urge members of the House Judiciary Committee to favorably vote for Mr. Cox's confirmation.

Respectfully submitted,



Kyle E. Scherer

Dylan Hitchcock-Lopez

From: Christopher Robison [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 30, 2026 8:32 PM
To: House Judiciary
Subject: Letter Supporting Governor's Nominee Stephen Cox

Dear Chair Gray and Honorable Committee members,

My name is Chris Robison, and I am a resident of Anchorage. I am writing to support the confirmation of Stephen Cox as Alaska's Attorney General.

First, AG Cox is unquestionably qualified to lead the Department of Law. He has extensive and diverse experience in both the public and private sectors. He served as United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Texas — a district with a population in excess of 3.5 million people — and as Deputy Associate Attorney General and Chief of Staff at the Office of the Associate Attorney General, U.S. Department of Justice.

Locally, his private sector experience as Chief Legal and Strategy Officer for Bristol Bay Industrial — an affiliate of Bristol Bay Native Corporation — gives him a unique understanding of the legal and economic challenges facing our state.

Second, AG Cox has already demonstrated a clear commitment to consumer protection that provides tangible benefits to all Alaskans. For example, under his leadership, the Department of Law launched the statewide grocery pricing compliance program to protect families and promote transparency and accountability at retail grocery stores. He has also aggressively and successfully pursued consumer fraud, including a landmark settlement with car dealerships and lawsuits against crowdfunding platforms to protect charitable giving.

Third, AG Cox understands that a primary duty of the Attorney General is to protect the safety and well-being of Alaskans. Under AG Cox's watch, the Department of Law announced its Quality of Life Initiative — a joint task force between the State and the Municipality of Anchorage designed to combat retail theft and restore public order. The initiative also demonstrates AG Cox's collaborative spirit and ability to reach across the aisle and work effectively with other governmental agencies to deliver tangible results for Alaskans.

Finally, I would urge this body to examine the broader implications of considering a nominee's decision to sign on to multi-state amicus briefs or lawsuits as a material part of the confirmation process. Whether or one agrees with a specific amicus effort or claim, the decision to participate in litigation is quintessentially an Executive Branch, and Attorney General, function.

Conditioning confirmation on discretionary legal judgments sets a dangerous precedent that could undermine the independence of future Attorneys General, regardless of their political persuasion. The focus should remain on the nominee's qualifications and proven track record of serving Alaskans.

Attorney General Cox has the experience, dedication to consumer rights, and legal acumen we need in our chief law enforcement officer. I respectfully urge this committee to support his confirmation.

Respectfully,

Chris Robison

Dylan Hitchcock-Lopez

From: Julia Skelley [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, April 30, 2026 9:44 AM
To: House Judiciary
Subject: Confirmation of Stephen J Cox

Date: April 30, 2026

Dear Committee Chair,

It is my distinct honor to write this letter in emphatic support of Stephen J. Cox for the position of Attorney General of Alaska. Having moved his family to Alaska and established deep roots here, Stephen has proven himself to be a dedicated Alaskan whose commitment to our state is matched only by his professional excellence.

I first came to know Stephen while serving alongside him on a Board of Directors. During our time working together, I witnessed firsthand his unwavering integrity and his singular focus on completing the task at hand with absolute precision. Stephen is a leader who is disciplined, results-driven, and possesses calm, grounded judgment. In my experience with him, I have found that he holds a profound respect for the rule of law and an understanding of the proper, restrained use of government power—a trait that is essential for the state’s chief legal officer.

Professionally, Stephen’s track record demonstrates an ability to translate policy into meaningful, tangible results that improve daily life for Alaskans. His leadership on the Joint State-Anchorage Quality of Life Initiative serves as a prime example of his effectiveness. By targeting retail theft and ensuring that repeat offenders are held accountable, he has not only improved public safety but also protected Alaskans from the unnecessary price increases that result from rampant business losses.

Furthermore, Stephen has shown a keen ability to protect the integrity of our community institutions. His work to target the misuse of unauthorized charitable fundraising platforms has been vital in ensuring that Alaska’s non-profits are protected from fraud and that our donors can give with confidence, knowing their contributions are reaching the intended causes.

As the owner of a top-producing real estate company in Alaska, I understand the importance of having leaders who are focused on stability, the rule of law, and protecting the economic interests of our citizens. Stephen J. Cox possesses the character, the temperament, and the proven experience required to serve with distinction as our Attorney General.

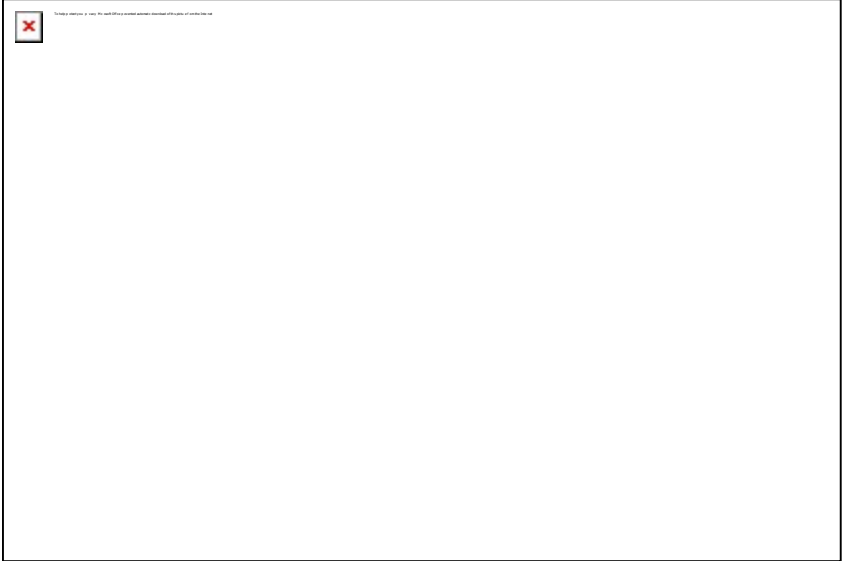
I wholeheartedly recommend his confirmation and trust that he will serve the State of Alaska with the same excellence and integrity he has demonstrated throughout his career.

Sincerely,

Julia Skelley

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April 27, 2026

The Honorable Andrew Gray
Chair
House Judiciary Committee
State Capitol Room 118
Juneau, AK 99801

Re: Confirmation of Stephen Cox

Dear Representative Gray:

I am writing in my personal capacity as a lawyer who has known Steve Cox for many years. I first met Steve when he was a law student in the summer associate program at my law firm. He was serious, disciplined, and a pleasure to work with. Over the ensuing years, I kept up with him as he returned to work at the firm and as he took on various public service roles.

We worked together most closely when he was part of the team that helped BP address the Deepwater Horizon spill. We dispatched him to the Houston headquarters very early in the matter to help organize our work. He demonstrated maturity and steadiness in a high-pressure environment. He was also recruited by one of my partners to help the Commission headed by former FBI Director William Webster looking into the Fort Hood shooting and, as I recall, he was critical to that work.

I also observed some of Steve's work at the U.S. Department of Justice. He handled some of the Department's most complex civil and criminal matters, including consequential resolutions with significant implications.

My observation of Steve is that he works very well with people -- including in a firm that has both Republicans and Democrats. He built consensus among stakeholders and listened to all voices. These characteristics have made him effective in his work in private practice and in public service. I am happy to support his confirmation as Attorney General of the State of Alaska.

Sincerely,



Jamie S. Gorelick