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ELECTION

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Ray Tierney
Suffolk County
District Attorney



Both the incumbent, Timothy D. Sini, and the challenger, Ray Tierney, have remarkable resumes and records. Sini was elected to the District Attorney's Office in November 2017. Tierney is currently employed by Suffolk County off-Track Betting where he was appointed to serve as its chief council for compliance and enforcement.

Since taking office January 1, 2018, Sini conducted a comprehensive review and overhaul of the Suffolk County District Attorney's Office in an effort to restore integrity to the Office of the District Attorney and to create a culture of excellence, compliance and ethical conduct in its day-to-day operations. Sini proceeded to recruit top talent, and fired employees when necessary.

In his bid for re-election, Sini vows to continue his work to address the drug epidemic, eradicate violent street gangs, and combat environment crimes which he says pose a threat to the environment and Long Island's sole source aquifer.

Prior to his election to the office of Suffolk County District Attorney, Sini was a federal prosecutor and served as Suffolk County's 13th Police Commissioner. As a federal prosecutor, Sini prosecuted drug dealers, gang members and murderers. As Suffolk County Police Commissioner, Sini worked to keep the streets of Suffolk County safer by combating MS-13 gang members, human traffickers, and held drug dealers accountable.

Tierney is conducting an active campaign in his plight to win the District Attorney's race, and also has an impressive resume. Tierney is running his campaign based on his wealth of experience and says he wants to bring ethics and accountability to the District Attorney's Office.

Tierney asserts he has a zero tolerance for bail and parole violators, and like District Attorney Sini, will work to repeal New York State's failed bail reform.

Tierney was a prosecutor who has dedicated his career to fighting for victims and protecting citizens. He worked to put MS-13 gang members behind bars, and prosecuted Colombian drug cartel cases, as well as MS-13 racketeering cases. In his pursuit for District Attorney, Tierney says he wants to reestablish the District Attorney's Gang Unit and Suffolk County's Gang Task Force. His plans, if elected, are to expand the DA's White Collar Crimes Bureau to combat identity theft and cyber-crime abuse.

Tierney is a former Assistant District Attorney where he served under former District Attorney James Catterson before leaving to enter a private law practice. Tierney would later return as an Assistant District Attorney and then exist the DA's office for a second time for an 11-year tenure as an ADA in the US Attorney's Office in the Eastern District of New York.

Although running on the Republican and Conservative lines, Tierney is not affiliated with a party.

On November 2, and in early voting, the residents of Suffolk County will be asked to make their choice for Suffolk County District Attorney. It is important that every qualified voter exercise his or her right to vote and have their voices heard. Clearly changes by Democrat controlled Albany with issues like bail reform have given criminals an unprecedented control of our communities. Repeat offenders are often let go and continue to perpetrate crimes. These Democrat policies jeopardize public safety and must be changed.

It is because of the need for change and his history of being removed from politics that The South Shore Press endorses Ray Tierney.

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