



O'MALLEY, GANSLER JOIN KRATOVIL ON CAMPAIGN TRAIL

Frank Kratovil, two-term Queen Anne's County State's Attorney and Democratic primary candidate for Maryland's First Congressional District, was joined on the campaign trail by Governor Martin O'Malley and Attorney General Douglas Gansler at fundraisers in Baltimore City and Montgomery County during the past week.

"I am gratified at the level of support these Maryland leaders have brought to my campaign," Mr. Kratovil remarked. "We will more than exceed our original goals for these two events." The campaign projects to raise \$60,000.00 from the events.

Governor O'Malley hosted an event attended by approximately 100 supporters Monday, December 17 at the offices Ballard Spahr Andrews & Ingersoll in Baltimore.

"It has been many years since we had a Democrat of Frank Kratovil's caliber running for Congress in Maryland's First Congressional District," Governor O'Malley remarked. "Frank ran for State's Attorney on a 'law and order' platform that resonated with his neighbors, Democrats, Independents, and Republicans alike."

"Frank's record demonstrates that he is a leader who rises to the occasion to tackle tough problems, a leader who looks to the future of a better and stronger state and nation," Governor O'Malley said.

Attorney General Gansler joined Kratovil supporters gathered at the Bethesda home of Colleen and Rich Gardella on Thursday, December 13.

"Frank is a dynamic leader who stands out as the candidate for change," Attorney General Gansler told Kratovil supporters. "Frank has the energy and tenacity to represent the First District and to help bring change in Washington on our Iraq policy, improving health care in our country, and strengthening the federal commitment to restoring the Chesapeake Bay."

Mr. Kratovil was first elected in 2002 by unseating a four-term incumbent. He was overwhelmingly re-elected without opposition in 2006. He is the only elected official among the Democratic field. Frank, 39, his wife Kimberly and their four sons reside in Stevensville on Kent Island where he is involved in his children's sports teams and other community activities.

Mr. Kratovil has been endorsed by Governor Martin O'Malley, Lt. Governor Anthony Brown, Attorney General Douglas Gansler, Senate President Thomas V. "Mike" Miller, Comptroller Peter Franchot, former governors Harry Hughes and Parris Glendening, and former Attorney General Joseph Curran, as well as legislative and local leaders in the First Congressional District.

Maryland's First Congressional District includes the nine Eastern Shore counties (Caroline, Cecil, Dorchester, Kent, Queen Anne's, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico and Worcester), and portions of Anne Arundel, Baltimore and Harford Counties.

