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[Republican Art Moore to take on veteran Rep. Tom McClintock](#)

Republican **Art Moore** has taken out papers to challenge GOP Rep. **Tom McClintock**, casting himself as a pragmatic supporter of limited government with deep roots in the foothill-based 4th Congressional District.

"It's very clear that federal government is not working for this district," Moore, a businessman and military officer from Auburn said in a video posted on his campaign website. "The leadership that is going to get us through this is not going to be provided by career politicians. It's going to be provided by people like me, who have a totally different perspective of public service."

Moore, a 35-year-old graduate of Placer High School and the [U.S. Military Academy](#) at West Point, brings to the campaign a combined 14 years of active duty and National Guard service. He spent 30 months deployed overseas and currently is a major in the [Army National Guard](#).

Moore also has worked as an executive in the building products industry and as a management consultant serving government clients in the intelligence community.

McClintock, a lion of conservative causes for decades, secured the congressional seat in a tough race six years ago and since has had little trouble retaining it. Despite his long record and high profile, he holds just over \$350,000 in his campaign account.

His role in the protracted fight over the partial federal government shutdown received criticism and helped draw a Democratic opponent out of the woodwork. But **Kris Johnson**, a Granite Bay businesswoman, dropped out of the race for personal reasons.

TV newsman **Walt Gray** also flirted with a run, but ultimately decided against it.

The 4th district takes in portions of Roseville and extends from [Lake Tahoe](#) past [Yosemite National Park](#). McClintock lives outside of its boundaries in Elk Grove. A native of [Thousand Oaks](#), he represented Ventura-area districts in the state Legislature and mounted unsuccessful runs for controller, lieutenant governor and governor.