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BOEDEKER CHALLENGES OPPONENT'S RESIDENCY FOR HOUSE DISTRICT 81 SEAT

Georgia law requires candidates for State Representative to reside in the district for one year

ATLANTA - Chris Boedeker, Republican candidate for House District 81, today officially filed a challenge with Secretary of State Brian Kemp questioning the eligibility of Carla Roberts to run for, and hold, the District 81 seat in the Georgia House of Representatives. Boedeker states that his opponent maintains her primary residence outside the district, claiming a homestead exemption on that property, and the property she recently purchased inside the district is being used simply as a means to seek election to office.

Under Georgia law, candidates wishing to hold office as State Representative must have maintained a "permanent place of abode" in the district they seek to represent for at least one year prior to the general election. Roberts claims a homestead exemption on a home outside the district, and has for many years, and only recently purchased a second home inside District 81. Boedeker is seeking a hearing before the Office of Administrative Hearings, at which additional evidence will be presented.

Chris Boedeker has retained Douglas Chalmers Jr., an expert in the area of federal and state political law, as counsel in this matter. His clients have included a number of the nation's and Georgia's highest-ranking elected officials, nationally-recognized public advocacy groups, and prominent corporations and trade associations. He was the chief lawyer in Georgia for the 2008 McCain presidential campaign.

Chris Boedeker is an attorney with his own law practice, who has focused on providing private industry opportunities to engage and support communities in areas where the government's inefficiency makes it unable to deliver results. Chris raised over \$5 million in resources for the United Way of Metropolitan Atlanta. Additionally, he helped to create the Lilburn Community Improvement District, where local property owners are given the power to control how their tax dollars are spent. Chris is a graduate of the University of Georgia, where he majored in Economics and Sociology, and received his law degree from Brooklyn Law School in New York. He is a native of metro Atlanta, and is married to Jessica, a DeKalb county teacher. They live in Drew Valley with their young daughter and a son who is on the way. They are members of All Saints Episcopal Church.