

Geoff Young sues to remove Jack Conway's name from ballot in May 19 primary

Accuses Conway and Governor Beshear of "rigging" the Democratic primary election

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[Geoff Young](#), a Democratic candidate for Governor of Kentucky, initiated a lawsuit on April 29 asking the Jefferson County Circuit Court to declare that his opponent, Jack Conway (D), is not a bona fide candidate for Governor. If the Court grants Young's motion, Conway's name would be removed from the ballot on May 19. The lawsuit calls Conway "a criminal intent on defrauding Kentucky's Democratic voters of their right to choose the nominee they prefer."

Mr. Young is also keeping federal law enforcement authorities informed about what he feels is an effort by the five most powerful Democrats in Kentucky to rig the [primary](#): Gov. Steve Beshear, Jack Conway, Alison Grimes, KDP (Kentucky Democratic Party) Chairperson Patrick Hughes, and KDP past Chairperson Dan Logsdon.



Candidate sues Jack Conway for "rigging the primary"

Young filed a lawsuit against these five defendants on 3/2/15, but on May 1, Franklin Circuit Court Judge Thomas Wingate granted their motions to dismiss the case. Young plans to appeal to the Kentucky Court of Appeals on the grounds that courts should intervene in "internal party matters" such as the intentional violation of party bylaws if the violations affect voters, candidates, or a primary election.

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"Judge Wingate's ruling means that if you're part of a small group of powerful Democrats, five to be precise, you're allowed to rig any primary you want and ignore the opinions of a million Democratic voters. But rigging a primary can never be legal; it's a much worse form of election fraud than handing out whiskey or drugs near a polling place."

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