

# South Tahoe attorney enters Assembly race

By Rocklin & Roseville Today

Retired Coast Guard officer and South Lake Tahoe attorney Matt Williams has filed the necessary papers with the Secretary of State to run for the 4th Assembly District seat recently vacated by Senator Ted Gaines. Williams, a Republican and two-time Olympic torch bearer, has pledged to cut his Assemblyman salary by twenty percent if elected. Williams' campaign will focus on creating jobs, cutting government spending, and improving schools. In his contract with voters, Williams will hold quarterly meetings throughout the district to inform citizens of state government actions and policy.

Williams, a fourth-generation California, is a graduate of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy, and has a master's of public administration degree from Seattle University and a law degree from the University of Washington.

During his 20 years of military service, Williams was twice selected for Exchange Duty with the U.S. Navy and as a "Loaned Executive" to the United Way. While stationed in Louisiana, Williams coached Mike Fontenot, now of the World Series champion San Francisco Giants. Williams and his family moved to South Lake Tahoe in 1995, where he ran a Navy leadership program at South Tahoe High School and was inducted into Who's Who Among America's Teachers. He was selected to carry the torch for the 1996 and 2002 Olympic Games in recognition of his community service and leadership in numerous civic and youth organizations.

Williams recently returned to the legal profession where he provides services in trial litigation; business creation; landlord-tenant law; and estate planning.

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