

BGR REVIEW

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2026 MIDTERM UPDATE

The midterm primaries continued this week when Illinois voters went to the polls. The results will reshape the state's congressional delegation in the most meaningful way in decades. Senior Members of the Ways and Means (Congressman Danny Davis) and Energy and Commerce (Jan Schakowsky) Committees are retiring after decades of service, and Senator Dick Durbin, previously the Chairman and currently serving as Ranking Member of the Senate Judiciary Committee, as well as the #2 Democrat in Senate Leadership, is also leaving office. Juliana Stratton, who was endorsed by Governor JB Pritzker, won the Democratic nomination for the state's open U.S. Senate seat.



JULIANA STRATTON

ELECTION
COUNTDOWN

228

DAYS UNTIL
NOVEMBER 3RD

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BGR WELCOMES MAX RICHARDS



MAX RICHARDS

Vice President,
Defense and Critical
Technology

BGR Group is excited to welcome Max Richards as a Vice President in our Defense and Critical Technology Practice! Max brings deep expertise in AI, cybersecurity, and space policy from senior roles in the House and Senate, including as Legislative Director to Senator Eric Schmitt and aide to Senate Republican Leader Mitch McConnell. Welcome to the team, Max!

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BGR CELEBRATES WOMENS HISTORY MONTH

This month, BGR's Build, Grow, Rise initiative hosted Madeline Fetterly from Be the Brand Collective to discuss how women should leverage their LinkedIn platform for a professional advantage.

Between networking and lunch, the session was packed with thoughtful questioning and exercises on developing a personal brand. Our team was appreciative for the masterclass and the reminder that a polished digital presence is one of our greatest assets!



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