

GARY WEAVER - PITT COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 6 (R)

Key findings include:

- **Political Affiliation:** Republican; Appointed September 2025 as Pitt County Commissioner (District 6).
- **Policy Positions / Public Statements:** Combating the opioid/fentanyl epidemic, strengthening community policing, increasing deputy presence on the streets. Advocates bringing an “outsider perspective” to law enforcement leadership. Raised concerns during 2025 Board of Elections meetings regarding early voting site locations, prompting reconsideration of the adopted plan.
- **Vulnerabilities / Adverse Findings:** Personal Facebook post (Dec. 2020) details Trump and allies’ attempts to overturn the 2020 election. Short tenure as Board of Elections Chair (resigned after two months). Chair of Pitt County GOP from as early as June 2019 to early 2025; oversaw the party when they shared election denier posts and supported those seeking to go to D.C. insurrection. Unsuccessful sheriff campaigns in 2018 and 2022, losing by roughly 10% each time.

Pitt County, North Carolina (county seat: Greenville) is a mid-sized eastern NC county with about 170,000–174,000 residents as of 2020–2023 [[OSBM NC](#), 9/11/2025]. The population is demographically diverse – roughly 57% White and 35% Black (well above the state’s 21% Black average), with a small but growing Hispanic minority (~6%) [[Ballotpedia](#), 9/11/2025]. Home to East Carolina University (enrollment ~27k) and a major regional medical center, Pitt County serves as the educational, healthcare, and economic hub of eastern North Carolina. The local economy is a mix of higher education, healthcare, and expanding industries like boat manufacturing and pharmaceuticals [[Pitt County](#), 9/11/2025].

Politically, Pitt has trended Democratic in top-of-ticket races: Hillary Clinton carried the county 52-44 in 2016, and Joe Biden won it 54-44 in 2020. However, in 2022 and 2024, Democratic margins narrowed to 50-48 in 2022 and 52-46 in 2024 [[NCSBE](#), 9/11/2025]. Local offices remain competitive; the county board of commissioners is closely divided, reflecting a balance between the more urban/liberal Greenville area and the conservative rural/small-town areas. The board is currently split 5-4 in favor of Democrats [[NCSBE](#), 9/11/2025].

Population growth has been steady but modest (a few percent increase since 2010) [[OSBM NC](#), 9/11/2025], and the presence of a large university and medical sector contributes to a younger median age (around 33) and a professional workforce in Greenville, alongside traditional agricultural communities in the county’s outskirts. These factors create a politically purple environment – Democrats tend to win federal and statewide races in Pitt County, but Republicans can and do win certain local races by appealing to suburban and rural voters.

BACKGROUND

Gary Weaver is a Greenville, NC resident and retired North Carolina Highway Patrol sergeant with over 30 years of law enforcement experience. He was active in local Republican politics and served as chairman of the Pitt County GOP. In June 2025 he was appointed by the state auditor to be chair of the Pitt County Board of Elections, but he resigned in August 2025 to “pursue other opportunities of service to [his] community”. Shortly thereafter (Sept. 15, 2025) the Pitt County Commissioners voted to appoint

Weaver to the vacant District 6 Commission seat. District 6 covers rural southern Pitt County (including the town of Grifton) [[WITN](#), 1/30/2018] [[WITN](#), 8/25/2025]. Weaver has run two times (2018 and 2022) for Pitt County Sheriff as a Republican, but lost both elections [[WITN](#), 9/16/2025]. Weaver's professional background is in law enforcement. He emphasized that his priorities include fighting the opioid/fentanyl epidemic and strengthening community policing. For example, during his sheriff's campaigns he said the "fentanyl and opioid overdose... [in Pitt County is] very, very high" and "we need to address the overdose deaths" [[ABC News 12](#), 10/20/2022]. In 2018 he explicitly listed "the opioid epidemic problem, community policing, and getting more deputies on the streets" as his top priorities. He also argued that as an outsider (having never served in the Sheriff's Office) he could bring a fresh perspective – "someone from the outside to look at [the department] and come in and say you can do this better".

Gary Weaver was officially appointed in 2025 to serve on the Pitt County Board of Commissioners, representing District 6. District 6 is largely rural and GOP nominees ran unopposed in 2018 and 2022 [[Pitt County](#), 9/17/2025]. Weaver is affiliated with the Republican Party. He was the elected chairman of the Pitt County Republican Party and is described on the party's website as a former local GOP leader [[WITN](#), 1/30/2018]. The Pitt County GOP emphasizes "limited government, individual liberty, free enterprise, and the Constitution" as core values. In line with this, Weaver's public service and campaign themes have centered on law-and-order and fiscal conservatism rather than progressive or fringe issues [[Pitt County GOP](#), 9/16/2025].

Between 2018 and 2025, made recurring contributions to North Carolina, typically ranging from \$10 to \$120 per filing period to the Pitt RW committee as well as larger individual donations of up to \$600 to campaigns such as those for Dan Forest, Mark Robinson, and Perrin Jones [[NCSBE](#), 9/16/2025].

ON THE ISSUES

LAW ENFORCEMENT / OPIOIDS

Weaver Said His Priorities Are "The Opioid Epidemic Problem" And "Community Policing." "Weaver says his priorities are the opioid epidemic problem, community policing, and getting more deputies on the streets. He believes he's the man for the job, because he's an outsider. Weaver says, 'Every administration that comes in, it's good to have an outside perspective come and look at things, you don't get the same, I call it the train, where you get somebody to replace somebody inside the department and they keep the same knowledge and you have to bring someone from the outside to look at it and evaluate the system'" [[WITN](#), 1/30/2025].

ELECTIONS & DEMOCRACY

Pitt County Commissioners Attended A Board of Elections Meeting To Observe The Adoption Of The Early Voting Plan And Weaver Called The Board To Reconsider The Early Voting Plan. "A full house isn't always common at Board of Elections meetings in Pitt County, but Tuesday was a different story. Dozens showed up to see the county's early voting plan for the 2025 municipal elections get adopted. Chair Gary Weaver called the board back to reconsider the plan it adopted on July 31st. The Pitt County Board of Elections Director, Dave Davis, says Weaver received complaints about the Agricultural Center being the main early voting site instead of a site in Greenville, such as the Drew Steele Center. One board member says she didn't agree with those complaints." [[WITN](#), 8/12/2025]

VULNERABILITIES & ADVERSE FINDINGS OF NOTE

EXTREME PRO-TRUMP MESSAGING

Weaver's personal Facebook includes a post from December 2020 that details all the steps Trump and his allies were taking to overturn the election. Weaver also unsuccessfully ran for county sheriff in 2018 and 2022, losing by around 10% both times to Democrat Paula Dance [Gary Weaver Facebook, 12/10/2022].

Further, Weaver was Chair of the Pitt County GOP as early as June 2019 as he signed his name as Chair on [Facebook posts](#) from the party. That means he oversaw the party through the 2020 election when they shared many posts from Trump and others questioning the results of the 2020 election, saying the election was stolen, and supporting those who were seeking to go to the insurrection in D.C.



Pitt County GOP (Republican Party Office)

December 27, 2020 · 🌐

If you are interested in going to Washington D.C. to support President Trump, please contact Marcus Karachun. He can provide you with all the necessary information on this trip.



Marcus Karachun is with **Gary Weaver**.

December 27, 2020 · 🌐

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Gary Weaver

December 10, 2020 · 🌐

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If you only watch fake news, you probably missed what's actually happening as of today....

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 - * Trump joins the fight w/Texas
 - * Trump asks Sen. Cruz to argue Texas case
 - * Hunter Biden's under Federal investigation
 - * Rep. Eric Swalwell (D-Calif) is removed from Intelligence Committee
 - * Michigan State Rep Cynthia Johnson is stripped of her assignments & under investigation for threats
 - *After denying that they had ever seen Seth Rich's laptop, the FBI now admit that they have the laptop and are in the middle of extracting files
 - * impeachment of Michigan's Democratic Governor Gretchen Whitmer has been processed & approved 4-2 margin. Charges to follow
 - *The Federal Trade Commission and a coalition of attorneys general from 48 states and territories filed two separate antitrust lawsuits against Facebook. The suits target two of Facebook's major acquisitions: Instagram and WhatsApp.
 - * Simon Parkes says the DOMINION CEO, John Poulos, has been subpoenaed to Court
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Pitt County GOP (Republican Party Office)
January 24, 2020 · 🌐

Our party chairman, Gary Weaver, attended the open house at Congressman Greg Murphy's Greenville office this past Wednesday. It was great to so many passionate Pitt county citizens come out to see our congressman.

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ELECTIONS BOARD CONTROVERSY (2025)

2025: Weaver Resigned From The Board Of Elections After Just Two Months.“Pitt County Board of Elections Chair Gary Weaver has resigned from his recently appointed post. Weaver, a former Pitt County GOP chair, was appointed by State Auditor Dave Boliek just two months ago. A spokesman for Boliek confirmed that Weaver had resigned, saying the auditor appreciated his service. ‘After prayerful consideration, I have decided to step down and pursue other opportunities of service to my community,’ Weaver’s resignation letter reads.” [[WITN](#), 8/25/2025]

SOCIAL MEDIA LINKS

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