Eli Crane (AZ-2)

**Biography**

**BIRTH DATE**
Unknown

**EDUCATION**
- Attended, Sociology, Univ. of Arizona, 2000-2001
- Attended, Criminology, Arizona Western College, 1999-2000

**FAMILY**
Married; 2 children

**Background**

Former Navy SEAL Crane is an entrepreneur who launched his first bid for public office in 2021 on a platform of social conservatism and border security.

An Arizona native, Crane joined the US Navy after the September 11, 2001 attacks and served for 13 years; spent eight years as a Navy SEAL and was deployed to combat zones five times.

In 2013, Crane and his wife Jen founded Bottle Breacher, a company that sells bottle openers made from bullet shells; Crane and the company were featured on the TV show Shark Tank in 2014 and earned an investment of $150,000 at a 20% stake from Mark Cuban and Kevin O'Leary.

Though he had not previously run for public office, Crane regularly penned op-eds and was featured in interviews on conservative and veterans-focused outlets; after participating in a political ad for Martha McSally's 2020 reelection campaign, Crane started to consider embarking on his own campaign after staff members of fmr. Sen. Martha McSally (R-AZ) suggested that he do so.

Launched his campaign for Arizona’s 2nd District in July 2021, ran on a platform emphasizing border security, election integrity, and conservative stances on abortion and firearm ownership.

**District Profile**

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**Election Results**

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