

# Bryce campaign: Statement on Bryan Steil entering race for WI-01

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RACINE, WI - The Randy Bryce campaign released the following statement on Bryan Steil, who is expected to enter the race to represent Wisconsin's First Congressional District today.

"It's hard to think of anyone less in touch with the struggles facing working families than a third-generation corporate attorney from a politically-connected family," said campaign Communications Director Lauren Hitt. "A former Ryan staffer and a current Walker appointee, Bryan Steil is part of the institutional Republican swamp that believes we should give tax breaks to the wealthy and pay for it by attacking working people's retirements and healthcare."

Reports show that while Steil was the Associate General Counsel for Regal Beloit the company closed a Midwest factory, laid off more than 300 people and moved their jobs to Mexico.

**NBC - 3 KYTV:** "A large Springfield manufacturer will soon be closing its doors. The Regal Beloit plant on east Sunshine has an emptier parking lot than in the past, and it will soon be vacant. 'They have let folks go out in segments, in groups, of people coming out. There will be another group coming out this Friday, tomorrow,' says Cynthia Collins, Missouri Career Center business service representative. When Regal Beloit announced the closing about a year and a half ago, there were about 330 employees. Right now, we believe, from corporate management and an employee, that there are about 100 left. The plant, which makes electric motors, has been in Springfield for decades. 'We've seen employees that had been there for 44 years. I mean Regal was GE before Regal, so you had folks that started on at GE and within

8 or 9 years ago, Regal bought GE, and those employees continued on,' said Collins. The Missouri Career Center says Regal Beloit employees qualify for retraining assistance through the Trade Act, because some of the jobs are leaving the country, going to Mexico." [12/18/14]