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DOLE NAMES KIM WELLS STATE CHAIRMAN FOR 1986 RE-ELECTION CAMPAIGN

WASHINGTON -- Kansas Senator Bob Dole today named Mr. Kim Wells of Lawrence to be State Chairman of Dole's 1986 re-election campaign. Wells, 35, practices law in a Kansas City-based firm that also has offices in Overland Park and Wichita.

"I am pleased that Kim has accepted this position," said Dole. "Kim has served me well in a number of jobs -- on the campaign trail, in my Washington office, and as director of my Kansas offices."

Wells is a native of Garden City who graduated from the University of Kansas in 1971. He received his law degree from the University of Virginia in 1974, and was a staff counsel and legislative assistant in Senator Dole's Washington office from 1975 through 1977. In 1976, Wells was Policy Director and speechwriter for Dole's Vice Presidential campaign, when the Kansas Senator ran on the Republican ticket with President Ford. Wells returned to Kansas in 1977 when Senator Dole named him Administrative Assistant. He held that position until leaving to serve as campaign manager for Dole's 1980 re-election. Wells then served as a member of President Reagan's transition team in late 1980.

"We're getting an early, solid start on '86," said Wells. "By summer, we will be fully organized, with statewide and county fundraising units in place."

Wells' father, Robert Wells of Garden City, was State Chairman of Dole's 1974 re-election campaign. Kim and his wife Bonnie, a McPherson native, have two children.