

Republican Sheriff candidate Jason Ellis speaks out about Sheriff Harder's bid for re-election

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BINGHAMTON, N.Y. - One of Sheriff David Harder's former employees who is challenging him for the position is speaking out against his run for Sheriff.

Republican Sheriff candidate Jason Ellis says his decision to run for the position was strongly motivated by Harder's earlier announcement that he would not seek a 6th term in office.

In 2014, after he was elected, Harder told NewsChannel 34 that it would be his final term as Sheriff.

When asked about the statement, Harder told us Thursday night that Ellis never reached out to him to see if he would run, and therefore took it upon himself to run.

In fact, Harder says Ellis told him that he'd never run against him.

The two will face off in a September Primary.

NewsChannel 34 reached out to Broome County Democratic Chairman Tim Grippen who says he's spoken to a number of interested candidates about running for Sheriff, but nobody has declared.

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