



Ms. McGrath,

Congratulations on your hard-fought primary victory, and welcome to the campaign trail for what is already a spirited race for the U.S. Senate.

As you know from your previous bid for Congress, a critical aspect of any campaign includes robust debate — on the airwaves, during campaign rallies, and between the candidates themselves. While the coronavirus pandemic has changed how we campaign in 2020, it is my view that any plans to hold in-person debates between the two of us should not be impacted. Before casting their ballots this November, Kentuckians deserve the opportunity to compare us side-by-side as we share our competing visions for Kentucky's long-term prosperity.

I am challenging you to a socially distanced, Lincoln-Douglas style debate with a time-keeping moderator agreed upon by each of us. This would be a debate just between the two of us. No notes at the table, no props, and no audience. Kentuckians deserve clear answers from each of us on the issues that matter most, and this is the best format to deliver those answers. Team Mitch is eager to work with a Kentucky TV station with statewide reach to put together such a debate.

I look forward to your prompt reply and seeing you on the debate stage soon.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mitch McConnell". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Mitch McConnell