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2016 Spring Primary Election Information Wisconsin Supreme Court Primary

Tuesday, February 16, 2016

Polls open 7 a.m. - 8 p.m. statewide

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Rebecca G. Bradley
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Current Position: Justice on the Wisconsin State Supreme Court

Judicial Philosophy: *"The role of a justice is to interpret the law, not invent it. The people of Wisconsin are best served by justices who understand and embrace their duty to state what the law is, not what they prefer it to be. Justices should defer to democratic processes that result in the creation of laws by legislatures and not attempt to impose their policy preferences in their decisions. It is essential to our system of justice to have independent justices who will apply the law impartially, free of political agendas.*

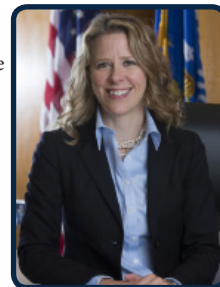
"...Laws are appropriately subject to judicial review, not a judicial veto. The judiciary should defer to legislative policy choices, not impose their own. Justices must apply the law as it is written, and should be guided by principles such as judicial restraint and respect for the separation of powers among the three branches of government."¹

Legal experience: (See website for complete listing of experience and associations)²

- Appointed to WI Supreme Court by Governor Walker (R) in 2015
- Appointed to WI District I Court of Appeals by Governor Walker in 2015
- Appointed to Milwaukee County Circuit Court by Governor Walker in 2012, elected in 2013
- Vice-President of Legal Operations, RedPrairie Corporation
- Attorney, Whyte Hirschboeck Dudek
- Attorney, Hinshaw & Culbertson
- UW Law School (1996)

Major/Statewide Endorsements: (See website for complete list of endorsements)³

- WI Supreme Court Justice Michael Gableman
- WI Supreme Court Justice Jon P. Wilcox (ret.)
- Milwaukee County Sheriff David Clarke (D)
- Jefferson County Judge Randy Koschnick
- Judge Mark Gundrum
- Judge Brian Hagedorn



¹Taken from campaign website: <https://www.justicerebeccabradley.com/about/judicial-philosophy/>, accessed on 1/15/16.

²Taken from campaign website: <https://www.justicerebeccabradley.com/about/> (accessed on 1/18/16); Milwaukee Journal Sentinel story, Appointed Justice Rebecca Bradley to face Joe Donald, JoAnne Kloppenburg, by Patrick Marley, Jan. 5, 2016, available at: <http://www.jsonline.com/news/statepolitics/appointed-justice-rebecca-bradley-to-face-joe-donald-joanne-kloppenburg-b99645794z1-364240231.html>, accessed on 1/18/16; and Wisconsin Court System Justice Rebecca G. Bradley page, available at: <http://wicourts.gov/courts/supreme/justices/rbradley.htm>, accessed on 1/18/16.

³Taken from campaign website: <https://www.justicerebeccabradley.com/endorsements/>, accessed on 1/20/16.

JoAnne F. Kloppenburg
kloppenburgforjustice.com

Current Position: Presiding Judge, Wisconsin District IV Court of Appeals

Judicial Philosophy: (Disclaimer: candidate did not publish a stated judicial philosophy.)

"I have always believed that fairness and justice are fundamental principles we must uphold. I chose the law as a career because I saw its power and its impact on people's lives.

"Every day as a judge, my appreciation for the value of a court system in which the law is stated clearly and applied equally deepens. I approach every case with an open mind. I treat all who come before me fairly and with respect."⁴

Legal experience: (See website for complete listing of experience and associations)⁵

- Elected to District IV Court of Appeals in 2012
- Director, WI DOJ Environmental Protection Unit (1993-2003)
- Adjunct Faculty, UW Law School, Civil Procedure (1990, 1992)
- Assistant Attorney General at the WI Department of Justice (1989-2012)
- Law clerk for Federal District Court Chief Judge Barbara Crabb (1988-1989)
- UW Law School (1988)

Major/Statewide Endorsements: (See website for complete list of endorsements)⁶

- Wisconsin State Association of Letter Carriers
- Former Congressman Dave Obey (D)⁷
- Dane County District Attorney Ismael Ozanne
- Former Dane County Executive Kathleen Falk
- Madison Mayor Paul Soglin
- State Representative Beth Meyers (D)
- State Representative Chris Taylor (D)
- State Representative Dianne Hesselbein (D)
- State Representative Lisa Subeck (D)
- State Representative Melissa Sargent (D)
- State Representative Sondy Pope (D)



⁴ Taken from campaign website: <https://kloppenburgforjustice.com/>, accessed on 1/15/16.

⁵ Taken from campaign website: <https://kloppenburgforjustice.com/about/>, accessed on 1/18/16; and Wisconsin Court System Presiding Judge JoAnn F. Kloppenburg page, available at: <http://wicourts.gov/courts/appeals/judges/kloppenburg.htm>, accessed on 1/18/16.

⁶ Taken from campaign website: <https://kloppenburgforjustice.com/endorsements-wi-supreme-court-election/>, accessed on 1/18/16, except where noted.

⁷ Taken from Milwaukee Journal Sentinel story, Obey endorses Kloppenburg in Supreme Court race, by Bruce Vielmetti, Oct. 19, 2015, available at: <http://www.jsonline.com/blogs/news/334325161.html>, accessed on 1/18/16.

Joe Donald
joedonaldforjustice.com

Current Position: Judge, Milwaukee County Circuit Court

Judicial Philosophy: (Disclaimer: candidate did not publish a stated judicial philosophy.)

"The courts are the third branch of government, and my role is to follow the U.S. and Wisconsin Constitutions in fairly applying the law. My goal is not to achieve a partisan policy agenda – I'll leave that to the politicians."⁸

Legal experience: (See website for complete listing of experience and associations)⁹

- Appointed to Milwaukee County Circuit Court judge by Governor Tommy Thompson (1996) (re-elected four times)
- Marquette University Law School

Major/Statewide Endorsements: (See website for complete list of endorsements)¹⁰

- Former U.S. Senator Herb Kohl (D)
- U.S. 7th Circuit Court of Appeals Judge Richard Cudahy
- Congresswoman Gwen Moore (D)
- Milwaukee County Executive Chris Abele
- Milwaukee Mayor Tom Barrett
- Former WI Supreme Court Justice Louis Butler
- Attorney David Gruber



⁸ Taken from candidate campaign announcement press release, July 20, 2015: https://d3n8a8pro7vhm.cloudfront.net/joedonaldforjustice/pages/23/attachments/original/1437490046/MJD_-_Announcement_Release.pdf?1437490046, accessed on 1/15/16.

⁹ Taken from campaign website: <http://www.joedonaldforjustice.com/about>, accessed on 1/18/16.

¹⁰ Taken from campaign website: <http://www.joedonaldforjustice.com/endorsements>, accessed on 1/18/16, except where noted. <http://www.jsonline.com/blogs/news/329808101.html>