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ENDORSEMENTS FOR JUDGE KOSCHNICK

February 11, 2009

Dear _____,

Small businesses struggle while violent criminals walk free... and our civil liberties slowly but steadily slip away.

The Rule of Law is vanishing quietly as the Office of the Chief Justice transforms the Wisconsin Supreme Court into a haven of judicial activism that sucks the life from our economy and jeopardizes public safety.

The quiet menace of tyranny lurks in the shadows as liberal judges seize power from the people's legislature. In all of this, one common thread emerges...

You may not have heard of her, but Chief Justice Shirley Abrahamson has changed the face of governance in our state. On her watch, the high court has overstepped its constitutional bounds and been transformed into an unaccountable aristocracy unbecoming of the Wisconsin Idea.

It was her "leadership" as Chief Justice that turned Wisconsin's legal climate into a national laughing stock, even drawing unflattering comparisons to Alabama (*Wall Street Journal*, January 28, 2006), long known as a haven for trial lawyers and an abyss to be avoided by those seeking justice.

As a conservative and a leader in the Republican Party, I believe that three equal branches of government are necessary to maintaining a functioning government capable of defending individual rights and maintaining an even hand of justice.

In over three decades on the bench, Shirley Abrahamson has long since lost respect for this important principle, choosing instead to enhance the power of "Big Brother Government" at the expense of freedom and democracy.

We can do better than Shirley Abrahamson on the Wisconsin Supreme Court – we need someone like Judge Randy Koschnick who will uphold the constitution rather than change it.

The election is on Tuesday, April 7th. And I'm supporting Judge Koschnick for State Supreme Court Justice because he believes the Judicial Branch is coequal to the Legislative and Executive.

On the other hand, Shirley Abrahamson has lost sight of these crucial principles. Instead, she is leading our entire legal system down a destructive path toward her revolutionary dream of a Supreme Court with unchecked power to re-create society in its own image.

I know you agree that judges were meant only to interpret the law and defend the Constitution exactly as it was written. Judge Randy Koschnick needs to raise \$100,000 over the next 10 days to get this message out on the airwaves. That's why I hope you will make your check out to "Koschnick for Justice" for \$500, \$250 or \$100 and help him end Shirley Abrahamson's activist reign on the Wisconsin Supreme Court.

(Over, please...)

Former Justice Donald Steinmetz
Former State of Wisconsin
Supreme Court Justice

Former Justice William Gallow
Former State of Wisconsin
Supreme Court Justice

Sheriff Ron Cramer
Eau Claire County Sheriff
Past President of the
Badger State Sheriff's Association

Sheriff Maury Straub
Ozaukee County Sheriff
President-Elect of the Wisconsin Sheriff
and Deputy Sheriff's Association

Sheriff Dennis Hillstead
St. Croix County

Sheriff James Meier
Sawyer County

Sheriff William Greening
Langlade County

Sheriff Daniel Trawicki
Waukesha County

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Judge Patrick Faragher
Washington County Circuit Court Judge

Judge Donald Hassin
Waukesha County Circuit Court Judge

Judge Patrick Haughney
Waukesha County Circuit Court Judge

Judge Linda Van De Water
Waukesha County Circuit Court Judge

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END LIBERAL ACTIVISM ON THE STATE SUPREME COURT!

Judge Koschnick has been practicing law for almost 25 years and is a leader in the Wisconsin legal community. He currently serves as Presiding Judge of the Jefferson County Circuit Court and Deputy Chief Judge of Wisconsin's Third Judicial District.

Under his leadership, the Jefferson County Circuit Court rose from 18th to 2nd statewide for overall median case age at disposition within the first twelve months of his new case assignment plan.

He's an experienced and respected jurist whose tough-on-crime stance has already earned him the endorsements of eleven county sheriffs and several fellow circuit court judges. In 2008, he was a recipient of the Wisconsin Law Journal's Leaders in the Law Award.

Judge Koschnick has even been endorsed by two of Shirley Abrahamson's former Supreme Court colleagues, retired Justice Donald Steinmetz and retired Justice William Callow. What does that say about her? He's also received the endorsement of the prestigious Wisconsin State Lodge of the Fraternal Order of Police and many others.

As a husband and a father of two daughters, Judge Koschnick understands the importance of keeping violent sex offenders locked up in jail – where they belong.

Shockingly, Shirley Abrahamson was the only justice – the ONLY justice – to vote to declare Wisconsin's violent sexual predator law unconstitutional – TWICE! Even her liberal colleagues didn't vote with her! (State v. Post, State v. Carpenter)

Shirley Abrahamson also voted to prevent a bloody shirt from being used as key evidence in a murder case (State v. Knapp) – overturning a circuit court decision by Judge Koschnick to allow the evidence.

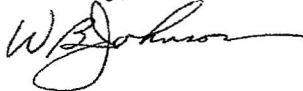
Thirty years is long enough. It's time for Shirley Abrahamson to retire.

With a close margin on the Supreme Court, we have a chance to secure a majority of justices that respect the law and will keep their personal political agendas out of the judicial process – and leave legislating to the legislature.

Remember, the election is on Tuesday, April 7th. Your generous contribution to Koschnick for Justice will help him raise \$100,000 over the next 10 days so he can get on the airwaves as soon as possible.

I eagerly await your response.

Sincerely,



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P.S. Shirley Abrahamson is one of the leading liberal activist justices in the entire country. Her decisions have eroded the Rule of Law, undermined our economy, jeopardized the safety of our families and breached the principles of our republican form of government. Your generous gift will help Judge Koschnick defeat the leading liberal scion of judicial abuse. I hope you'll respond in the next 10 days. Thanks again!

Authorized and paid for by Koschnick for Justice, Christian Gossett, Treasurer.

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