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**THE CAPITAL TIMES ENDORSES JUDGE MARILYN TOWNSEND FOR DANE COUNTY  
CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE**

MADISON, WI – The Capital Times editorial board has endorsed Judge Marilyn Townsend for Dane County Circuit Court for the Spring General Election on April 4<sup>th</sup>.

“The Capital Times believes in the vital importance of an elected and responsive judiciary that is in touch with the community and committed to delivering a fair hearing and justice for all.”

“Townsend’s strength is her rare combination of experience and understanding of the role of the courts in Dane County.”

“The choice of Marilyn Townsend is an easy one for us. We have watched her work in the community for decades, not just as a lawyer and a Judge but as an active parent with a commitment to public education, as a volunteer for campaigns and community projects, and as an engaged citizen who shows up with high energy and a readiness to step up on behalf of those who need an ally and an advocate.”

“We have seen Marilyn Townsend in action, and that inspires confidence in her ability to serve as a great Circuit Court judge – and to become a leader on judicial matters in Dane County and statewide.”

Judge Townsend said today, “I’m proud to have been recognized by the Capital Times for my record and for my long history of experience in many types of law. I am committed to continuing to advance judicial issues of fairness and community safety in Dane County in addition to ensuring that everyone who appears before the court will receive an equal opportunity to be heard.”

The Capital Times joins Unions representing thousands of workers in Dane County, Wisconsin Court of Appeals Judge JoAnne Kloppenburg, current elected Progressive officials including Fred Risser, Chris Taylor, Terese Berceau, Dianne Hesselbein, and Sondy Pope, and over 600 community leaders in Dane County. A full list of endorsements can be found at [judgetownsendforcircuitcourt.com](http://judgetownsendforcircuitcourt.com).

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