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Poll: Bar members say Karofsky overwhelmingly more qualified

MILWAUKEE — Attorneys who practice in Wisconsin courts overwhelmingly rate Judge Jill Karofsky as the more qualified choice for the Wisconsin Supreme Court, while about half say Dan Kelly isn't qualified for the high court, in a new survey released today.

More than four in five of respondents with an opinion of the candidates rate Karofsky as qualified, while only half give Dan Kelly, who had no prior judicial experience before being rewarded for his service to right-wing interests with the plum appointment, the same rating. Half of respondents with an opinion rate Dan Kelly as unqualified for the position.

“This isn't shocking to Wisconsinites who saw Scott Walker appoint a partisan activist instead of a judge to the Supreme Court. Those who know the law best have sent the clear message that Jill is the more qualified and independent candidate,” **said Karofsky Campaign Manager Tyler Hendricks.** “Dan Kelly's rush to politicize the court is eroding public confidence in the judicial system and it's being rejected by attorneys who interact with the law on a daily basis. Judge Jill Karofsky is the only fair, independent, and qualified candidate in this race.”

The poll was conducted by the Milwaukee Bar Association. Full results are available [here](#).

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Jill Karofsky has nearly three decades of legal experience that have prepared her to hold criminals and corrupt politicians accountable as our next Supreme Court Justice. As a sitting trial court judge, a former state and local prosecutor, a victims' rights advocate, and the state's first Violence Against Women resource prosecutor, she knows how important it is to apply the rule of law fairly and honestly.

Karofsky's commitment to justice has been recognized statewide, earning her the WI Coalition Against Sexual Assault's "Voices of Courage Award," the WI Victim/Witness Professional Association's "Professional of the Year," and the "Significant Impact" Award from a local organization dedicated to ending domestic violence. She currently serves on the Wisconsin Judicial Education Committee and chairs the Violence Against Women STOP Grant committee. She previously co-chaired the Attorney General's Sexual Assault Response Team, and served on the Governor's Council on Domestic Abuse, the WI Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention Board, the Wisconsin Crime Victims Council, and the Dane County Big Brothers/Big Sisters Board of Directors.

Karofsky was born and raised in south-central Wisconsin, where her mother was a small town mayor and her father was a local pediatrician. In addition to her accomplishments in the courtroom, Karofsky is a two-time Ironman Triathlete and a long-distance runner. She has two children, a daughter in college and a son in high school.

Her campaign is at JillForJustice.com, on Facebook/Instagram at [/jillforjustice](https://www.facebook.com/jillforjustice), & on Twitter at [@judgekarofsky](https://twitter.com/judgekarofsky).

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