



Lau Set Two Soft Bails Prior-to Deadly Actions of Hardened Criminal Quick to Cite Schiller’s Fatal Actions, Lau Ignores Previous Involvement

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(Oconomowoc, WI)—Laura Lau, current Waukesha County Court Commissioner and April 3rd candidate to fill the Waukesha County Court opening, is quick to cite the fatal actions of Frank Schiller on July 8th, 2017 as cause for her candidacy. Lau fails to recall the soft bails she set for the hardened-criminal Schiller on two previous occasions.

In July of 2017, in an attempt to avoid traffic on I-94 near Delafield, Frank Schiller road the median at high speeds fatally striking a Good Samaritan helping change a tire. Schiller was already a gross-repeat offender with countless felony; drug, battery and resisting arrest charges as well as five (or six) previous Operating While Intoxicated convictions. Schiller was charged with 16 felonies including vehicular homicide and refusal to take a field sobriety test.

Lau is quick to cite Schiller as, “An example of a failed system,” and, “And the reason I am running” as she did at last week’s Waukesha County Bar candidate forum. [With heavy media coverage](#), in July of 2017 Lau issued a \$1 million bail stating, “A pending fifth OWI (in Milwaukee) and let out with a signature bond...is incredible to this court.”

Lau blatantly ignores her familiarity with Schiller and his stunningly long record of criminal offenses, including two bails she set in 2006 and 2010.

In 2006:

- *Schiller appeared before Commissioner Lau after being charged with felony battery, disorderly conduct and resisting arrest charges. At this point his felony criminal record dated back to 1998 and included:*

Schiller’s Rap Sheet as of 6/6/2006:	
OWI(s)—2	Battery—4
Resisting Arrest—2	Bail jumping—5
Witness Intimidation—1	Drug-related charges--2

- **Lau set bail at \$1000**

In 2010, four years and 12 court visits later:

- *Schiller, the repeat offender, was again before Lau for drug possession and bail jumping with a growing then-rap sheet that included:*

Schiller’s Rap Sheet as of 1/22/2010	
OWI(s)—4	Battery—5
Resisting Arrest—4	Bail jumping—8
Witness Intimidation—2	Drug-related charges--5

- **Lau set a \$250 bail (1/4 of that which she set four years earlier),**

“Laura Lau is conveniently ignoring her role in perpetuating the inexcusably long and fatally horrific criminal life of Frank Schiller, preferring to point to the third time in which she finally got it right,” said Jack Melvin, candidate for Waukesha County Circuit Court. “As the saying goes; fool me once, shame on you Laura Lau; fool me a second time, shame on me. The real shame is it wasn’t until July 2017 when Frank Schiller appeared before Commissioner Lau a third time—with 34 previous court appearances—did she final get it right.”

Lau would prefer the law-abiding Citizens of Waukesha ignore the fact that she is a sixteen-year member of the Waukesha Court System in front of which Schiller appeared 21 times, nearly double the number of times (11) he appeared before the Milwaukee Courts she is quick to blame.

Schiller remains jailed and awaiting trial, and according to the [Public Records of the Wisconsin Circuit Courts](#), his charges to-date include:

Schiller Charges Summary:		
OWI(s)	6 or 7	Resisting Arrest: 5
Vehicular Homicide:	2(7/13/17)	Witness Intimidation: 2
OWI Cause Injury	4(7/13/17)	
Prohibited BAC/Cause Injury	4(7/13/17)	
Bail Jumping:	14	
Drugs/Drug Paraphernalia:	8	
Battery:	5	

“As Waukesha County’s next judge, I will put law abiding citizens first, not hardened criminals,” said Melvin.

Melvin, 44 resides in Oconomowoc with his wife and two daughters and currently serves as Governor Walker’s appointee to the Wisconsin Division of Gaming as the Division Administrator. Prior to joining the administration, Melvin managed litigation at QBE North America (the former-General Casualty Insurance) for nearly 12 years, prior, he was in private practice.

Melvin takes great pride in his service to the country, delivering 40 months of active duty of which 35 months were spent overseas as a member of the Wisconsin National Guard at the rank of Major. Melvin’s most-recent deployment was to Iraq in 2016 as a member of the Wisconsin unit that augmented the famed “Screaming Eagle” 101st Airborne Division. Melvin served as the Division’s Operational Law Attorney in the effort to help Iraq expel ISIS from its borders.

His previous deployment came a little over a year prior (2014) with the headquarters detachment of Wisconsin’s 32nd Infantry Brigade in Jordan, aiding in its protection from the ISIS-fueled civil war embroiling neighboring Syria. Jack’s first deployment was in 2008 when has was assigned to the U.S. Embassy in Egypt as part of the counter terrorism and anti-piracy efforts in the Middle-East.

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As a member of the Guard's JAG (Judge Advocate General Corp), Melvin has had a very diverse practice, handling environmental issues, estate planning, military justice, law of war and more. Melvin is currently assigned to Joint Force Headquarters in Madison where his duties include serving as the lead prosecutor for crimes committed by members of the Wisconsin Army National Guard.

As a civil litigator, Jack has managed lawsuits against General Casualty insureds throughout the nation. Jack has appeared in courts from Rhode Island to Washington State as the corporate representative of General Casualty and its insured. From those experiences, he has learned a great deal about the varied methods of court operations and judicial styles that he hopes to bring to the Waukesha bench.

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