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Testing still not complete on over half of backlogged rape kits that need to be tested

Schimmel's failure to prioritize testing has delayed justice for survivors, while dangerous criminals remain on the streets

MADISON -- Today, former federal prosecutor and candidate for Wisconsin Attorney General Josh Kaul released the following statement regarding Brad Schimmel's claims of success in addressing Wisconsin's ongoing rape kit backlog.

"Despite today's announcement, testing still hasn't been completed on more than half of the kits in the rape-kit backlog that need to be tested. Brad Schimmel's failure to prioritize the elimination of the backlog has meant that justice has been delayed for survivors and that dangerous criminals have remained on the streets longer than they should have. Schimmel should have made the elimination of the rape-kit backlog a priority as soon as he took office, but, instead, only nine of the kits in the backlog were tested in his first two years as AG."

Josh Kaul served as a federal prosecutor in Baltimore, one of America's most violent cities. There, Kaul prosecuted murderers, gang members, and drug traffickers, taking dangerous criminals off the street and making communities more secure. He grew up in Oshkosh and Fond du Lac in a family of law enforcement professionals and teachers. He is running for Attorney General in 2018.

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