

Meeting of the Board

Thursday, January 14, 2010 - 10:00 A.M.

Agenda
Open Session

Teleconference Meeting

G.A.B. Conference Room

212 East Washington Avenue, Third Floor

Madison, Wisconsin

Thursday, January 14, 2010

10:00 A.M.

- A. Call to Order**
- B. Director’s Report of Appropriate Meeting Notice**
- C. Selection of Board Officers**
- D. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting**
(December 17, 2009 Meeting – Open Session)
- E. Delegation of Certain Authority to Director and General Counsel**
- F. Legislative Panel on Board’s Early Voting Report and Recommendations**
- G. Election Administration - Ballot Access Report**
- H. Director’s Report**
- I. Closed Session**

- 5.05 (6a) and 19.85 (1) (h) The Board’s deliberations on requests for advice under the ethics code, lobbying law, and campaign finance law shall be in closed session.
- 19.85 (1) (g) The Board may confer with legal counsel concerning litigation strategy.
- 19.851 The Board’s deliberations concerning investigations of any violation of the ethics code, lobbying law, and campaign finance law shall be in closed session.
- 19.85 (1) (c) The Board may consider performance evaluation data of a public employee over which it exercises responsibility.

The Government Accountability Board may conduct a roll call vote, a voice vote, or otherwise decide to approve, reject, or modify any item on this agenda.

The Government Accountability Board has scheduled its next meeting for March 23 and March 24, 2010 at the Government Accountability Board offices, 212 East Washington Avenue, Third Floor in Madison, Wisconsin beginning at 9:30 a.m. on March 23, 2010 and 8:30 a.m. on March 24, 2010.

The Government Accountability Board may conduct a roll call vote, a voice vote, or otherwise decide to approve, reject, or modify any item on this agenda.

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JUDGE MICHAEL BRENNAN
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Government Accountability Board Members

FROM: Kevin J. Kennedy, Director and General Counsel

DATE: January 14, 2010 Meeting

SUBJECT: Selection of Board Officers

Each state agency administered by a Board must elect a chairperson, vice-chairperson and secretary at its first meeting of every year. §15.07(2), Wis. Stats. The Government Accountability Board is required to select its Chairperson by lot, drawn by the current chairperson, at the first meeting of the Board in January of each year. §15.07(2)(b), Wis. Stats. There is no restriction on an individual being selected to serve as Chair more than once during the member's term. There is also no restriction limiting an individual from serving consecutive terms as Chairperson.

Each Board is required to select a chairperson, vice-chairperson and secretary. The selection process for the chairperson of the Government Accountability Board is set by statute. The selection of the other officers is not. In January 2008, the Board established the practice of selecting the other officers by lot as well.

The Board has adopted the practice of filling a vacancy in an office by having the remaining officers move up to fill the vacancy. This keeps the succession practice consistent with the statutory requirement the Board Chairperson be selected by lot. The position of Secretary is then chosen by lot to fill the vacancy created by this succession practice.

The staff will prepare the materials for selection of the officers by lot. The Board will be able to proceed with the selection of its 2010 officers at the January 14, 2010 meeting.

The new Chairperson will conduct the meeting after his selection. If the new Chairperson is one of the members participating by teleconference, he may choose to have the Vice-Chair run the meeting from Madison.

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JUDGE MICHAEL BRENNAN
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Wisconsin Government Accountability Board State Capitol, Room 300 NE and North Hearing Room

Madison, Wisconsin
December 17, 2009
8:30 a.m.

Open Session Minutes

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Not yet
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the Board

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B. Authorized staff to promulgate rule changes in Chapters GAB 1, 6 and 9	3
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D. Adopted the Final Staff Report and Recommendations on Early Voting as its Own	6

Present: Judge Michael Brennan, Judge William Eich, Judge Gerald Nichol, Judge Thomas Cane and Judge Gordon Myse

Absent: Judge Thomas Barland

Staff present: Kevin J. Kennedy, Jonathan Becker, Nathaniel E. Robinson, Shane Falk, Michael Haas, and Tommy Winkler.

A. Call to Order

Chairperson Brennan called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. in Room 300 Northeast.

B. Director's Report of Appropriate Meeting Notice

G.A.B. Director Kevin Kennedy informed the Board that proper notice was given for the meeting.

C. Closed Session

Adjourn to closed session to consider written requests for advisory opinions and the investigation of possible violations of Wisconsin's lobbying law, campaign finance law, and Code of Ethics for Public Officials and Employees; and confer with counsel concerning pending litigation.

MOTION: Move to closed session pursuant to §§5.05(6a), 19.85(1)(h), 19.851, 19.85(1)(g), and 19.85(1)(c), to consider written requests for advisory opinions and the investigation of possible violations of Wisconsin's lobbying law, campaign finance law, and Code of Ethics for Public Officials and Employees; and confer with counsel concerning pending litigation. Moved by Judge Eich, seconded by Judge Cane.

Roll call vote: Brennan:	Aye	Cane:	Aye
Eich:	Aye	Myse:	Aye
Nichol:	Aye		

Motion carried.

Summary of Significant Actions Taken in Closed Session:

- A. Requests for Advice: One matter considered; one formal opinion issued.
- B. Investigations: 39 pending matters considered, with three settlement offers authorized; three matters closed; six matters referred to the Department of Justice; and 27 additional matters considered but still pending. The Board authorized four investigations involving the solicitation of state officers or employees for political contributions or services. The Board closed three matters involving the late filing of campaign finance reports. The Board closed one investigation into the use of official position in a matter in which an organization with which an official is associated had a financial interest.

D. Reconvene in Open Session

The Board reconvened in Open Session at 10:30 a.m. in the North Hearing Room of the State Capitol.

Present: Judge Michael Brennan, Judge William Eich, Judge Gerald Nichol, Judge Thomas Cane and Judge Gordon Myse

Absent: Judge Thomas Barland

Staff present: Kevin J. Kennedy, Jonathan Becker, Nathaniel E. Robinson, Shane Falk, Michael Haas, Tommy Winkler, Ross Hein, Edward Edney, Adam Harvell, James Malone, Barbara Hansen, Sarah Whitt, and Reid Magney

E. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

MOTION: Approve the open session minutes of the November 2, 2009 meeting of the Government Accountability Board. Moved by Judge Cane, seconded by Judge Nichol. Motion carried unanimously.

F. Public Comment

1. **Attorney Mike B. Wittenwyler**, representing Godfrey & Kahn S.C., urged the Board to delay action on Proposed GAB 1.90 – Regulation of Nonprofit Corporations Organized Solely for Political Activity (MCFL Corporations) until the U.S. Supreme Court rules in the Citizens United case.
2. **Diane Hermann-Brown** appeared on behalf of the City of Sun Prairie to urge the Board to make timely software updates to the Statewide Voter Registration System, long before the election cycle begins. She also thanked the Board for its efforts to work with clerks and municipalities, and invited Board members to attend the Wisconsin Clerks Association meeting in Green Bay on August 18, 19 and 20, 2010.

G. Approval of Electronic Voting Equipment

Approval of Elections Systems and Software Voting System Components - Election Management System, AutoMark Accessible Ballot Marker, DS-200 Polling Place Tabulator, M650 Central Count Tabulator.

Elections Specialist Ross Hein made a presentation about programming changes to the DS-200 Polling Place Tabulator to address concerns expressed by members of the public and the Board at the November 9, 2009 meeting.

Discussion.

MOTION: To approve staff's five-point recommendation for the ES&S voting systems application to be used in Wisconsin, in compliance with the EAC certificate ESSUnity3200. Moved by Judge Nichol, seconded by Judge Cane. Motion passed unanimously.

H. Administrative Rules

1. **Status Report on Administrative Rule Defining Scope of Regulated Activity, GAB 1.28 (Issue Ad Regulation)**

Staff Counsel Shane Falk updated the Board on the status of the Citizens United case heard by the United States Supreme Court, which involves the scope of regulation of political communications permitted by the Constitution. He said release of the Court's opinion will not occur until January 2010 at the earliest.

2. **GAB 6.03 Assistance By G.A.B. Staff (Technical Change)**
3. **GAB 9.03 Voting Procedure for Challenged Electors (Technical Change)**

Staff Counsel Shane Falk reviewed proposed changes to GAB 6.03, which amend statutory references that changed with the adoption of 2007 Act 1. He also

reviewed the proposed change to GAB 9.03, which removes references to lever voting machines.

MOTION: Pursuant to §§5.05(1)(f), 227.11(2)(a), 227.135, 227.14(4m), 227.15(1), and 227.16(2)(b), Wis. Stats., the Board formally approves the Statement of Scope, Notice of Proposed Order Adopting Rule, and Notice of Submittal to Legislative Council Clearinghouse for revisions to ch. GAB §§6.03 and 9.03, Wis. Adm. Code, and directs staff to proceed with promulgation of the rules. Staff shall take all other steps necessary to complete promulgation of the rules revising ch. GAB §§6.03 and 9.03, Wis. Adm. Code. Moved by Judge Cane, seconded by Judge Nichol. Motion passed unanimously.

4. GAB 1.90 Regulation of Nonprofit Corporations Organized Solely for Political Activity (MCFL Corporations)

Staff Counsel Shane Falk reviewed the background for this rule change and said staff understands that the Citizens United case may impact this rule. He recommended proceeding with publication of the scope statement while deferring final action until the Citizens United case has been resolved.

MOTION: The Board formally approves the Statement of Scope which may be published; however, further promulgation steps are deferred and staff is to return to the Board with the draft Notice of Proposed Order Adopting Rule, Notice of Submittal to Legislative Council Clearinghouse, and Notice of Hearing for the creation of ch. GAB §1.90, Wis. Adm. Code, after necessary guidance from the Citizens United decision is incorporated as appropriate. Moved by Judge Myse, seconded by Judge Eich. Motion carried unanimously.

5. GAB 6.02 Registration statement sufficiency

Staff Counsel Michael Haas reviewed the rule change, which clarifies the information that is required for a registration statement to be accepted by the filing officer, and the consequences of an incomplete filing.

MOTION: Pursuant to §§5.05(1)(f), 227.11(2)(a), 227.135, 227.14(4m), 227.15(1), and 227.16-17, Wis. Stats., the Board formally approves the Notice of Proposed Rule to repeal and recreate s. GAB 6.02, Registration statement sufficiency, and directs staff to proceed with promulgation of the rule under the 30-day notice process. Moved by Judge Cane, seconded by Judge Nichol. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Status Report on Pending Administrative Rules

Staff Counsel Shane Falk reported to the Board that staff has begun promulgation of all but one of the rules acted upon by the Board since it has come into effect.

I. Legislation

1. Summary of Recent Legislative Activity

Director and General Counsel Kevin J. Kennedy reported to the Board on a number of bills and recent legislative hearings. He also discussed the federal Military and Overseas Voter Empowerment (MOVE) Act, which was recently signed into law. He said Wisconsin is one of 11 states (along with the District of Columbia) with September primaries, and would need a federal waiver from some of the Act's requirements.

MOTION: To authorize the Director and General Counsel to develop legislation to harmonize state law with the new federal requirements and proceed with an application for a waiver from some of MOVE's timing provisions if that is the best way to facilitate compliance with MOVE consistent with Wisconsin's election calendar. Moved by Judge Myse, seconded by Judge Cane. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Legislative Status Report

Written summary was included in Board packet. No action was taken.

J. Report on Campaign Finance Information System

Ethics & Accountability Division Administrator Jonathan Becker provided the Board with an update on improvements to the Campaign Finance Information System (CFIS). He said improvements include the elimination of occupation codes for campaign donors, and inclusion of a text description of the donor's occupation. One major change is the availability of an Excel spreadsheet, which is very much like the old Excel spreadsheets which many registrants were used to completing prior to the launch of CFIS. He also reported on the results of a user survey, in which 70 percent of all respondents thought the overall performance of the system was adequate to excellent. He said the staff wants greater CFIS user satisfaction, but was happy that 86 percent of respondents thought the service provided by G.A.B. staff was good to excellent.

K. Director's Report

Elections Division Report – election administration

Written report from Nathaniel E. Robinson was included in Board packet. Mr. Robinson gave an oral presentation focusing on what a tremendous year 2009 was for communication with clerks. He said the clerks' two main concerns are communications and training, and that both are being addressed by Board staff. SVRS IT Lead Sarah Whitt gave an oral interim report on the progress of the Retro HAVA Check process.

Ethics and Accountability Division Report – campaign finance, state official financial disclosure, lobbying registration and reporting

Written report from Jonathan Becker was included in Board packet. Mr. Becker gave an oral presentation highlighting staff's work in developing publications on campaign finance reporting and the new Excel spreadsheet for CFIS. He also reported that staff is now working on a new application for lobbying reporting with the Department of Enterprise Technology. He said the lessons learned with CFIS will guide this project, and that customers will be involved in its development.

Office of General Counsel Report – general administration

Written report from Kevin J. Kennedy, Sharrie Hauge and Reid Magney was included in Board packet. Mr. Kennedy said the staff is preparing for an upcoming federal compliance audit regarding HAVA funds.

Mr. Kennedy provided the Board with an update regarding staff actions on the Crivitz School Board recall matter that was subject to administrative review.

Mr. Kennedy discussed the scheduling of the upcoming Board meeting. The consensus of the Board members was to hold the January 14, 2010 meeting at 10:00 a.m., with some members attending by teleconference.

Chairman Brennan called a recess at 12:15 p.m. The Board reconvened at 12:55 p.m.

L. Public Comment on Early Voting

Elections Division Administrator Nathaniel E. Robinson summarized the Final Staff Report and Recommendations on Early Voting. Elections Specialist Ross Hein answered questions from the Board about how electronic voting equipment plays a role in early voting and absentee voting. Chairman Brennan opened the meeting to public comments.

1. **Dan Schneider** appeared on behalf of the United States Postal Service to offer the services of USPS with getting absentee or other early voting ballots to the electorate and back to local election officials.
2. **Andrea Kaminski**, Executive Director of the League of Women Voters of Wisconsin, appeared to support staff recommendations to streamline the in-person absentee voting process, and to keep in-person absentee voting available up until 5 p.m. the Monday before the election.
3. **Robert Ohlsen** appeared on behalf of the Dane County Clerk's Office to support Option C in the Early Voting Report and Recommendations. He said early voting has been pushed by the news media and the political parties, and suggested that mayors should initiate a program to encourage voters to go to the polls.

4. **Darlene K. Marcelle** appeared on behalf of the Brown County Clerk's Office to disagree with allowing in-person absentee voting until 5 p.m. Monday before the election. She said that 35 percent of the electorate voted early in Brown County and there were no lines on Election Day. During busy elections, poll workers don't have time to open all the absentee ballots and document everything in an orderly fashion.
5. **Ginny Graham** of Waukesha appeared to say that the single largest thing local clerks were crying out for is an earlier deadline for in-person absentee voting. She said voters will adjust to earlier deadlines.
6. **Richard Stadelman** appeared on behalf of the Wisconsin Towns Association to support a modified Option C. He emphasized the importance of keeping election administration at the town, village and city level.
7. **Kristine Schmidt** appeared on behalf of the City of Brookfield City Clerk's Office to support a Friday deadline for in-person absentee voting. She said Brookfield had 35 percent absentee voting, with two-thirds of those coming into the office, and she described the challenges clerks face in organizing the absentee materials.
8. **Andrew Davis** appeared on behalf of the Republican Party of Wisconsin with a letter from State Chairman Reince Priebus and Bob Spindell, chair of the party's Election Reform & Vote Fraud Committee. He said early voting presents inherent risks and costs that make it inappropriate and unnecessary at this time. He said the Board's top priority should be maintaining and improving the integrity of the vote.
9. **Thomas Neill** appeared on behalf of the City of Waukesha Clerk's Office to support moving the deadline for in-person absentee voting to the Friday before the election. He said Waukesha had approximately 10,000 absentee voters, of which 6,500 voted in the clerk's office, mostly the day before the election. He said that is too much of a burden for clerks.
10. **Mary Ann Hanson** of Brookfield appeared to comment on the Early Voting report. She said absentee voting should not be allowed to overwhelm the process. She said she does not support a pilot program for early voting in 2010 because of the importance of uniform laws. She also said all absentee ballots should be witnessed.
11. **Chris Astrella** appeared on behalf of the Town of Blooming Grove to support Option C with the exception of the Monday deadline. He said clerks need the time to get things done in preparation for Election Day, and that responsibility needs to be put back on the voters.
12. **Ardis Cerny** of Pewaukee appeared to testify against a proposed Early Voting Pilot Program. She said that state statutes say voting is a constitutional right while absentee voting is a privilege, and called early voting another privilege. She also urged the Board to give clerks time to do their job by moving the deadline for in-person absentee voting from Monday to Friday.

13. **Kim Bushey** appeared on behalf of Walworth County to testify in support of Option C, including eliminating the certificate of voter registration. She encouraged the Board to move the cutoff for in-person absentee voting to the Friday before the election.
14. **Barbara K. Goeckner** appeared on behalf of the Village of River Hills to testify in support of Option C, including eliminating the certificate of voter registration. In an emergency, a voter could be allowed to cast an in-person absentee ballot on Monday. She emphasized that all clerks' offices are different.
15. **Julee Helt** appeared on behalf of the Village of Waunakee to support true early voting, but noted that the village is not set up to handle it. She asked the board to move the deadline for in-person absentee voting to Friday before the election to give clerks time to do their jobs.

Chairman Brennan called a brief recess.

16. **Charlotte Rasmussen** appeared on behalf of the Wisconsin Federation of Republican Women to oppose a pilot program for early voting, saying it is not a fair way of electing someone because it is not uniform. She said a pilot program in April would be OK compared to November, and she also advocated moving the deadline for in-person absentee voting from Monday to Friday.
17. **Cari Burmaster** appeared on behalf of the City of Onalaska Clerk's Office to support Option C, however she supported moving the deadline for in-person absentee voting from Monday to Friday. She said voters will make different plans in reaction to the change. She added that people walk into polling places and think elves came in the night before to set everything up.
18. **Teri Lehrke** appeared on behalf of the City of La Crosse Clerk's Office to testify about the early voting report. She said La Crosse has not had too many problems with in-person absentee voting because she has the resources to handle the lines of people. She said her biggest frustration is with SVRS, which timed-out, and she asked that the system be upgraded. She also opposed the idea of a separate envelope for in-person absentee voting, and feared that two different envelopes would confuse poll workers.
19. **Neil Albrecht** appeared on behalf of the City of Milwaukee Election Commission in support of Option C, with two exceptions. The first is to use a complete application or a certificate envelope. With 31,000 people voting in-person absentee, the cost of envelopes is an issue, and it slows down counting. Second, he supports moving the deadline for in-person absentee voting from Monday to Friday. He also supported the use of an affidavit for in-person absentee voting with an excuse on Monday.

20. **Roxann Brue** appeared on behalf of the Village of Arlington, where 90 percent of the people vote at the polls. She said that for any clerk who doesn't have regular office hours, changing the deadline for in-person absentee voting from Monday to Friday won't disenfranchise voters because they don't have that opportunity.
21. **Jean DeMores** appeared on behalf of the City of St. Francis to support moving the deadline for in-person absentee voting from Monday to Friday. She also urged moving the deadline for mail absentee ballot requests from Friday to Thursday.
22. **Sherry Grant** appeared on behalf of the Village of Shorewood Clerk's Office to support moving the deadline for in-person absentee voting from Monday to Friday. She said if the Monday deadline is retained, it will continue to create significant financial burdens on municipal clerks.
23. **Vikki Zuehlke** appeared on behalf of the Village of Waterford to support moving the deadline for in-person absentee voting from Monday to Friday. She said her clerk's office was slammed with people coming in to vote, some of whom were going golfing the next day. She said the media educated voters they could vote until 5 p.m. Monday, and now they can educate them they can vote with an excuse until 5 p.m. Monday.
24. **Sara Ludtke** appeared on behalf of the Town of Middleton Clerk's Office to support moving the deadline for in-person absentee voting from Monday to Friday. She said she was prepared for Election Day, but not for the 350 people who came in to vote on Monday. She said that with clerks overworked on the Monday before Election Day, the chances of duplicate voting increases.
25. **Nan Kottke** appeared on behalf of the Marathon County Clerk's Office and the Wisconsin County Clerk's Association to support Option C with moving the deadline for in-person absentee voting from Monday to Friday. She said it is time for electors to take some responsibility for voting.
26. **Diane Hermann-Brown** appeared on behalf of the City of Sun Prairie Clerk's Office to support moving the deadline for in-person absentee voting from Monday to Friday. She said many of the people who vote on Monday are procrastinators, and cutting off voting at 5 p.m. Friday will still give voters 124 hours in which to vote. She also expressed concern with the slowness of SVRS on the Monday before the election.

Discussion

Judge Myse asked whether the staff was not recommending true early voting because we do not have the capacity. Mr. Kennedy said that it is not just because of equipment issues, but because of staffing issues, especially in small municipalities. Judge Myse said the only practical way of moving to early voting is to have the security provision of having the ballot counted when cast, and if the voter errs, being able to correct it.

Judge Eich said he does not believe the report should be presented as a rejection of early voting.

Judge Nichol said he is concerned about unfunded mandates on local governments. He is also troubled about the integrity of the voting system because people under stress can make mistakes. He said we already have an early voting system, which is in-person absentee voting.

Mr. Kennedy asked the Board's thoughts on moving the deadline for in-person absentee voting from Monday to Friday. Mr. Robinson said staff has given the Board its best recommendation.

Judge Myse said he believes it compromises the integrity of the voting process if clerks do not have adequate time to prepare for Election Day. If it really does compromise the voting process, then we are weighing the integrity of the process versus the convenience of the voter.

Mr. Kennedy said that the only way the deadline will change is if the Board initiates it. He said the Legislature will not consider it if it only comes from the clerks.

MOTION: To amend the Final Staff Report and Recommendations to terminate in-person absentee voting at 5 p.m. the Friday before Election Day, and to allow it on Monday only by excuse, approve the report subject to revising the in-person absentee recommendation and supporting report language, and forward it to the Governor and Legislature as the Board's Report and Recommendations. Moved by Judge Myse, seconded by Judge Eich.

Discussion about what form the recommendation to the Legislature should take: an amended report that reflects the Board's changes or the staff report with a cover letter indicating the Board's differences with the report. Additional discussion about whether to wait until the Board has the opportunity to speak with members of the Legislature.

Judge Myse called the question. Motion passed unanimously.

M. Adjournment

MOTION: To adjourn. Moved by Judge Nichol, seconded by Judge Eich. Motion passed unanimously. The Board adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

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The Government Accountability Board has scheduled its next meeting for Thursday, January 14, 2010 at the Government Accountability Board offices, 212 East Washington Avenue, Third Floor in Madison, Wisconsin beginning at 10:00 a.m. The meeting will be conducted by teleconference and will last no more than two hours.

December 17, 2009 Government Accountability Board meeting minutes prepared by:

Reid Magney, Public Information Officer

December 29, 2009

December 17, 2009 Government Accountability Board meeting minutes certified by:

Judge Gerald Nichol, Board Secretary

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Government Accountability Board Members
FROM: Kevin J. Kennedy, Director and General Counsel
DATE: January 14, 2010 Meeting
SUBJECT: Delegation of Authority to Director and General Counsel

By statute, the Government Accountability Board has plenary authority over all of the state's election laws. In separate subsections of §5.05(1), Wis. Stats., the election law gives the Board a series of specific, quasi-judicial and litigative powers in addition to its plenary authority. Under §5.05(1)(e), Wis. Stats., the Board may delegate some but not all of those specific responsibilities to the Director and General Counsel.

Section 5.05 Government Accountability Board; Powers and Duties.

(1) . . .the Board may:

(e) Delegate to its *Director and General Counsel* the authority to intervene in a civil action or proceeding under [sub. \(9\)](#), issue an order under [s. 5.06](#), exempt a polling place from accessibility requirements under [s. 5.25 \(4\) \(a\)](#), exempt a municipality from the requirement to use voting machines or an electronic voting system under [s. 5.40 \(5m\)](#), approve an electronic data recording system for maintaining poll lists under [s. 6.79](#), or authorize non-appointment of an individual who is nominated to serve as an election official under [s. 7.30 \(4\) \(e\)](#), subject to such limitations as the board deems appropriate.

Before the passage of 2007 Wisconsin Act 1, the State Elections Board was authorized to delegate this authority along with other specified powers related to the conduct of investigations and enforcement actions to its executive director. 2007 Wisconsin Act 1 removed the authorization for the Government Accountability Board to delegate authority to its chief administrative officer to issue a subpoena, apply for a search warrant or commence a legal action. Now the Board must specifically authorize these actions. Section 5.05 (1)(b), (2m)(c)4., 6.a., Wis. Stats.

Recommendation

Pursuant to §5.05 (1)(e), Wis. Stats., and his role as agency head and chief state election official, I recommend the Board delegate the following quasi-judicial and litigative authority to the Director and General Counsel:

- To intervene in actions under the provisions of §5.05(9), Wis. Stats.

- To issue compliance review orders under the provisions of §5.06, Wis. Stats.
- To exempt municipalities from polling place accessibility requirements pursuant to the provisions of §5.25(4)(a), Wis. Stats.
- To exempt municipalities from the requirements for the use of voting machines or electronic voting systems pursuant to the provisions of §5.40(5m), Wis. Stats.
- To authorize the non-appointment of an individual who is nominated to serve as an election official under the provisions of §7.30(4)(e), Wis. Stats.
- To sign contracts on behalf of the Board.
- To certify and sign election related documents including candidate certifications, certificates of election on behalf of the Board.
- To apply for federal funds and sign certifications related to federal funding eligibility on behalf of the Board.

This delegation would be subject to the requirement that before it is exercised, the Director and General Counsel consult with the Board Chair to determine whether Board members should be polled or a special meeting conducted before action is taken. In addition, the Director and General Counsel would be required to report, at the Board meeting immediately following action on the delegated authority, the specifics of the action taken, the basis for taking the action and the outcome of that action.

The only exceptions to consultation with the Board Chair would be decisions to permit a municipality to use paper ballots instead of electronic voting equipment, to exempt municipalities from polling place accessibility requirements, to authorize the non-appointment of an individual who is nominated to serve as an election official, to sign contracts, certificates of election and federal funding certifications on behalf of the Board. These are fairly routine decisions that are predicated on unique circumstances such as the cost of programming electronic voting equipment when there is only one race on the ballot.

The delegation continues beyond the calendar year until reviewed by the Board. This specific delegation should be reviewed each January by the Board or upon any transition in the position of Director and General Counsel. The next scheduled review would be January 2011 or the first meeting in 2011.

A proposed motion accompanies the memorandum

MOTION: Pursuant to § 5.05 (1)(e), Wis. Stats., and his role as agency head and chief state election official, the Government Accountability Board delegates the following authority to its Director and General Counsel:

- 1) To intervene in actions under the provisions of §5.05(9), Wis. Stats.;
- 2) To issue compliance review orders under the provisions of §5.06, Wis. Stats.;
- 3) To exempt municipalities from polling place accessibility requirements pursuant to the provisions of §5.25(4)(a), stats.;
- 4) To exempt municipalities from the requirements for the use of voting machines or electronic voting systems pursuant to the provisions of §5.40(5m), Wis. Stats.; and,
- 5) To authorize the non-appointment of an individual who is nominated to serve as an election official under the provisions of §7.30(4)(e), Wis. Stats.
- 6) To sign contracts on behalf of the Board.
- 7) To certify and sign election related documents including candidate certifications, certificates of election on behalf of the Board.
- 8) To apply for federal funds and sign certifications related to federal funding eligibility on behalf of the Board.

The Director and General Counsel shall consult with the Board Chair to determine whether Board members should be polled or a special meeting conducted before action is taken. The Director and General Counsel does not need to consult with the Board Chair with respect to decisions to permit a municipality to use paper ballots instead of electronic voting equipment, to exempt municipalities from polling place accessibility requirements, to authorize the non-appointment of an individual who is nominated to serve as an election official and to sign contracts, certificates of election and federal funding certifications on behalf of the Board. The Director and General Counsel shall also report, at the Board meeting immediately following action on the delegated authority, the specifics of the action taken, the basis for taking the action and the outcome of that action.

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DATE: January 6, 2010

TO: Adam Plotkin
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FROM: Nathaniel E. Robinson
Elections Division Administrator
Government Accountability Board

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SUBJECT: Ideas for Legislative Panel's Early Voting Discussion
(Government Accountability Board's January 14, 2010, Meeting)

Adam and Andrea, you asked for some guidance on what we expect the four Legislators to focus on during their Early Voting presentation to the Government Accountability Board on Thursday, January 14, 2010. On behalf of Kevin J. Kennedy, I am pleased to share some ideas for the Legislators' consideration.

The meeting starts at 10:00 a.m. and the discussion from the Legislative Panel is expected to commence around 10:30 a.m. About an hour has been designated for the Legislators' presentation, and questions from the Board.

Please note that the January 14 Board meeting will be held in our office located at 212 East Washington Avenue, 3rd Floor. We respectfully request that Legislators come to our office to participate. We a few minutes walk, just a block and a half off the Capitol Square. Some Board members will be present and some will participate via telephone.

Below are some ideas for the Legislators' consideration. The Legislators may wish to:

1. Discuss comments or concerns from constituents or municipal clerks about the current absentee voting procedures during or after the November 2008 General Election.
2. Share information with the Board about what they are hearing from their constituents, including municipal clerks, and legislative colleagues regarding the early voting report. In general, are there policy considerations from the Legislature's point of view (such as accessibility to the polls, transparency of the election process, ballot security, etc.) that they believe were not adequately addressed by the Board's recommendations?
3. Discuss whether they think the Legislature is inclined to go further than the Board's recommendation of the modified Option C, which is intended to streamline the absentee ballot process, and pursue true early voting as described by either Option A or Option B in the report, or a combination thereof.

4. Given the three alternative approaches studied by the Board (Options A, B and C), comment on whether the Board's preferred and recommended approach is bold and visionary enough, strategic enough; whether it is the best course to capture the best use of current technology, continue Wisconsin's tradition of encouraging access to the polls, and keep the State in the forefront of election administration.
5. Share what they are hearing from their colleagues regarding the Board's specific recommendation to move the deadline for in-person absentee voting from Monday prior to the election to the previous Friday, and allow Monday in-person absentee voting only if there are extraordinary and compelling circumstances.
6. Discuss any thoughts regarding the Board's recommendation to conduct a pilot program before implementing changes statewide, and whether the November 2010 General Election is the appropriate election to do so.
7. Comment on the likelihood of the Legislature acting on the early voting proposal during this legislative session. It would also be helpful for the two Chairpersons (Representative Smith and Senator Cogg) to share with the Board the process they plan to pursue to get the early voting matter before the Legislature.
8. Make any suggestions they may have for the Board and staff for educating legislators on the early voting report and its recommendations.

These are just some of the many possible themes the Legislators could touch upon.

Thanks for both of your tremendous help in coordinating this Legislative early voting discussion with the Government Accountability Board. We will share an agenda with you on tomorrow (Thursday).

Please, just let me know if we can provide additional assistance. In needed, I may be reached at 267-0715, or at Nat.Robinson@wi.gov.

cc: Kevin J. Kennedy
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Chair

KEVIN J. KENNEDY
Director and General Counsel

MEMORANDUM

DATE: For the January 14, 2010, Board Meeting

TO: Members, Government Accountability Board

FROM: Kevin J. Kennedy
Director and General Counsel
Government Accountability Board

Prepared by:
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Government Accountability Board

Presented by:
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Government Accountability Board

SUBJECT: Ballot Access for the 2010 Spring Election

This memorandum presents a summary of important and noteworthy information about candidates requesting ballot access for the 2010 Spring Election.

Summary

The nomination paper filing deadline for the 2010 Spring Election for the judicial offices of Court of Appeals and Circuit Court was 5:00 p.m., on Tuesday, January 5, 2010. Sixty seven (68) candidates registered for the Spring Election. Sixty six (67) candidates filed nomination papers with the Government Accountability Board, Elections Division.

The first day to circulate nomination papers was Tuesday, December 1, 2009. The first candidate filed nomination papers on December 11, 2009. Elections Division staff received fifty four (54) sets of nomination papers by December 31, 2009. On January 4, 2010 staff received ten (10) sets of papers. On January 5, 2010 two (2) sets of papers were filed. One (1) candidate filed nomination papers, along with a Campaign Registration Statement, Declaration of Candidacy and Statement of Economic Interests on January 6, 2010 – the day following the deadline.

It is important to point out that every nomination paper received was reviewed and a determination regarding sufficiency was made within 24-48 hours. By the deadline for filing nomination papers on Tuesday, January 5, 2010, eighteen (18) candidates had also filed additional nomination papers to supplement their original filing.

Ten (10) incumbents filed notifications of non-candidacy with the Elections Division by the deadline of December 28, 2009. These were incumbents who were not seeking re-election to their currently held office. A chart showing the number of candidates by office is attached.

Note:

- Candidates for court of appeals must file a minimum of **1,000** valid signatures of qualified electors from the district to qualify for ballot access. § 8.10 (3)(am), Wis. Stats.
- Candidates for circuit court in counties over 500,000 in population (Milwaukee County) must file a minimum of **1,000** valid signatures of qualified electors from the district to qualify for ballot access. § 8.10 (3)(c), Wis. Stats.
- Candidates for circuit court in counties less than 500,000 in population must file a minimum of **200** valid signatures of qualified electors from the district to qualify for ballot access. § 8.10 (3)(b), Wis. Stats.

Irregularities in Ballot Access Documents Not Affecting Ballot Status

During review of nomination papers and other ballot access documents, Elections Division staff identified the following irregularities, none of which affected ballot status:

1. Staff identified two candidates for circuit court who provided unnecessary district identification. A candidate for Rusk County Circuit Court Judge indicated “Branch 1.” Rusk County Circuit Court only has one branch. Therefore, “Branch 1” is unnecessary. Iowa County Circuit Court also has only one branch. A candidate for this office indicated “7th Judicial District” as an identifier. Staff determined that the electors were not misled by this information and understood that each candidate was running for the only circuit court position in the county. Staff found the papers to be sufficient.
2. Another candidate for Rusk County Circuit Court Judge submitted 360 signatures on December 18th. The papers indicated “Town of Flambeau” as her municipality for mailing purposes. The Town of Flambeau is her voting municipality; the City of Ladysmith is her municipality for mailing purposes. The candidate was given the option of providing a letter from the postmaster indicating that mail addressed to “Flambeau” would be delivered to her residence in Ladysmith, or she could re-circulate on corrected papers. The candidate chose to re-circulate, and delivered 274 signatures on December 28th. Staff found the papers sufficient.
3. A candidate for Court of Appeals Judge, District 2 included his title on his nomination papers (Judge Paul F. Reilly). § 8.10(2)(b), Wis. Stats., specifically states that no titles may be used. The candidate was notified that staff would accept and count the signatures but was warned that this irregularity could subject his papers to challenge an opponent. Staff recommended re-circulation to avoid a possible challenge. The candidate did not submit additional signatures.
4. Only one (1) candidate initially filed insufficient signatures on their nomination papers (see second bullet above). A supplemental filing of additional signatures was necessary. No candidate required excessive follow-up, and only one amended receipt was issued.

Staff Recommendations for Ballot Status

A listing of candidates recommended for ballot status is attached and is also available on the Elections Division website at <http://elections.wi.gov>. Staff requests Board affirmation of the ballot status of those candidates listed.

Staff Recommendations for Denial of Ballot Status

Staff recommends that one candidate, John O'Boyle, candidate for Pierce County Circuit Court Judge, be denied ballot status due to late delivery of ballot access documents. The candidate mailed his Campaign Registration Statement, Declaration of Candidacy, nomination papers and Statement of Economic Interests on January 4th. The documents were not received in the Board's Office until January 6th. Mr. O'Boyle was advised that due to the tardiness of the filing, staff would recommend that ballot status be denied. Mr. O'Boyle was extended an opportunity to appeal the decision.

Challenges to Ballot Status

The deadline for challenges to ballot status is Friday, January 8, 2010, 4:30 p.m. Challenges received after the distribution of this memorandum being mailed to Board members, will be presented at the Board meeting.

Primaries

The following offices will have a primary on February 16, 2010:

- Court of Appeals Judge, District 4
- Oconto County Circuit Court Judge, Branch 2
- Walworth County Circuit Court Judge, Branch 4
- Winnebago County Circuit Court Judge, Branch 5

Attachments

1. 2010 Spring Election Ballot Access Table
2. Listing of Candidates Recommended for Ballot Access

Number of Candidates Registered vs. Number of Candidates who Qualified (By Office)

April 6, 2010 Spring Election

	Court of Appeals Judge	Circuit Court Judge
Number Registered	6	62
Number qualified	6	61

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Receipt No.	ID	Candidate	Party	Declaration of Candidacy Date	Ethics Board Statement Date	Nomination Papers Date	Valid Signatures	-- Ballot Status -- Primary	General	Voluntary Compliance Date	WECF Grant Application Date
Office : Court of Appeals, District 1											
9	104194	Joan F. Kessler 11221 West Sanctuary Drive Milwaukee, WI 53224	Non-Partisan	06/08/2009	12/18/2009	12/18/2009	1725				
Incumbent : Joan F. Kessler											
Office : Court of Appeals, District 2											
25	103476	Paul F. Reilly 541 Country Crest Lane Waukesha, WI 53188	Non-Partisan	08/26/2009	12/30/2009	12/23/2009	1328				
Incumbent : Harry G. Snyder (Filed Notification of Noncandidacy)											
Office : Court of Appeals, District 4											
43	103880	Brian Blanchard 6722 Colony Dr Madison, WI 53717	Non-Partisan	11/23/2009	12/29/2009	12/29/2009	1755				
Incumbent : Charles P. Dykman (Filed Notification of Noncandidacy)											
Office : Barron County Circuit Court, Branch 1											
54	103051	Ramona A. Gonzalez 1628 Madison Street PO Box 1211 LaCrosse, WI 54601-1211	Non-Partisan	12/21/2009	01/04/2010	12/30/2009	1351				
55	102620	Edward E. Leineweber 30315 State Highway 130 Lone Rock, WI 53556	Non-Partisan	01/04/2010	01/04/2010	01/04/2010	1333				
Incumbent : James C. Babler											
18	102573	James C. Babler 171 Rolling Oaks Drive Barron, WI 54812-9701	Non-Partisan	10/28/2009	12/03/2009	12/21/2009	400				
Incumbent : James C. Babler											

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Office : Brown County Circuit Court, Branch 3												
52	102787	Sue E. Bischel 511 Sunrise Lane Green Bay, WI 54301	Non-Partisan	Sue E. Bischel	10/13/2009	12/03/2009	12/30/2009	344				
Office : Calumet County Circuit Court												
38	101012	Donald A. Poppy W5578 Mile Long Drive Appleton, WI 54915	Non-Partisan	Donald A. Poppy	10/30/2009	12/21/2009	12/29/2009	296				
Office : Crawford County Circuit Court												
51	104868	James P. Czajkowski 33396 Pollander Road Wauzeka, WI 53826	Non-Partisan	Vacant	11/19/2009		12/30/2009	373				
Office : Dane County Circuit Court, Branch 4												
28	104833	Amy R. Smith 104 Ash Street Madison, WI 53726	Non-Partisan	Amy Smith	07/20/2009	12/30/2009	12/23/2009	394				
Office : Dane County Circuit Court, Branch 5												
42	104877	Nicholas J. McNamara 5129 Juneau Road Madison, WI 53705	Non-Partisan	Nick McNamara	12/03/2009		12/29/2009	211				
Office : Dane County Circuit Court, Branch 14												
12	102526	C. William Foust 2105 Madison Street Madison, WI 53711	Non-Partisan	C. William Foust	11/30/2009	12/18/2009	12/18/2009	264				

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Office : Dane County Circuit Court, Branch 15											
29	104780	Stephen Ehlike 812 McBride Road Madison, WI 53704	Non-Partisan	Stephen Eric Ehlike	10/23/2009	12/28/2009	12/28/2009	281			
Office : Dane County Circuit Court, Branch 16											
27	101987	Sarah B. O'Brien 1318 Wayridge Drive Madison, WI 53704	Non-Partisan	Sarah B. O'Brien	11/17/2009	12/23/2009	12/23/2009	399			
Office : Dane County Circuit Court, Branch 17											
13	104859	Peter C. Anderson 330 Cheyenne Trail Madison, WI 53705	Non-Partisan	Peter C. Anderson	11/05/2009	12/28/2009	12/18/2009	232			
Office : Dunn County Circuit Court, Branch 1											
61	103576	Bill Stewart N7296 520th Street Menomonie, WI 54751	Non-Partisan	Bill Stewart	12/14/2009	12/08/2009	01/04/2010	296			
Office : Fond du Lac County Circuit Court, Branch 2											
23	102529	Peter L. Grimm 96 Ledgebrook Drive Fond du Lac, WI 54935	Non-Partisan	Peter L. Grimm	12/01/2009	12/23/2009	12/22/2009	258			
Office : Fond du Lac County Circuit Court, Branch 4											
22	104863	Scot T. Mortier 7 Glenwood Court Fond du Lac, WI 54935	Non-Partisan	Steven W. Weinke (Filed Notification of Noncandidacy)	11/13/2009	01/04/2010	12/22/2009	326			
49	104879	Gary R. Sharpe N5560 LedgeTOP Court Fond du Lac, WI 54937	Non-Partisan		12/07/2009	01/04/2010	12/30/2009	362			

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Office : Iowa County Circuit Court										
35	103579	Bill Dyke 223 E. Swayne Street Dodgeville, WI 53533	Non-Partisan	12/28/2009	12/28/2009	12/28/2009	393			
Incumbent : William Dyke										
59	104884	Rhonda R. Hazen 211 Quail Ridge Drive Barneveld, WI 53507	Non-Partisan	12/15/2009	01/04/2010	01/04/2010	243			
Office : Juneau County Circuit Court, Branch 1										
14	104222	John Pier Roemer W6128 Woodland Hills Road New Lisbon, WI 53950-9433	Non-Partisan	11/16/2009	12/21/2009	12/21/2009	369			
Incumbent : John P. Roemer										
Office : Kewaunee County Circuit Court										
48	102773	Dennis J. Mleziva 410 Maple Street P.O. Box 204 Casco, WI 54205	Non-Partisan	11/13/2009	12/17/2009	12/30/2009	322			
Incumbent : Dennis J. Mleziva										
Office : Lincoln County Circuit Court, Branch 1										
7	104214	Jay R. Tlusty 1306 Lark Street Merrill, WI 54452	Non-Partisan	11/30/2009	12/23/2009	12/17/2009	361			
Incumbent : Jay R. Tlusty										
Office : Manitowoc County Circuit Court, Branch 1										
16	103542	Patrick L. Willis 3605 Briarwood Lane Manitowoc, WI 54220	Non-Partisan	12/07/2009	12/07/2009	12/21/2009	328			
Incumbent : Patrick L. Willis										
Office : Marathon County Circuit Court, Branch 2										
2	102311	Greg Huber 406 South 9th Avenue Wausau, WI 54401	Non-Partisan	11/25/2009	12/11/2009	12/11/2009	222			
Incumbent : Greg Huber										

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Office : Milwaukee County Circuit Court, Branch 5											
17	103530	Mary M. Kuhnmuench 6635 N. Elm Tree Glendale, WI 53217	Non-Partisan	Mary M. Kuhnmuench	12/21/2009	12/21/2009	12/21/2009	1671			
Office : Milwaukee County Circuit Court, Branch 14											
11	102049	Christopher R. Foley 2545 North 93rd Street Wauwatosa, WI 53226	Non-Partisan	Christopher R. Foley	10/09/2009	12/02/2009	12/18/2009	1705			
Office : Milwaukee County Circuit Court, Branch 24											
8	102473	Charles F. Kahn, Jr. 3043 North Summit Avenue Milwaukee, WI 53211	Non-Partisan	Charles F. Kahn, Jr.	09/28/2009	01/04/2010	12/17/2009	1409			
Office : Milwaukee County Circuit Court, Branch 25											
33	104812	Stephanie G. Rothstein 1924 East Cumberland Blvd. Whitefish Bay, WI 53211	Non-Partisan	Stephanie Rothstein	04/27/2009	12/15/2009	12/28/2009	1779			
Office : Milwaukee County Circuit Court, Branch 34											
44	104215	Glenn H. Yamahiro 800 West Clovermook Lane Glendale, WI 53217	Non-Partisan	Glenn H. Yamahiro	12/08/2009		12/29/2009	1808			
Office : Milwaukee County Circuit Court, Branch 37											
15	103533	Karen E. Christenson 2757 North Shepard Avenue Milwaukee, WI 53211	Non-Partisan	Karen E. Christenson	12/21/2009	12/22/2009	12/21/2009	1716			

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Office : Milwaukee County Circuit Court, Branch 44											
40	102436	Daniel L. Konkol 8819 Whispering Oaks Court Franklin, WI 53132-8558	Non-Partisan	Daniel L. Konkol	11/09/2009	12/29/2009	12/29/2009	1839			
Office : Milwaukee County Circuit Court, Branch 45											
31	102766	Thomas P. Donegan 273 East Menomonee Street Milwaukee, WI 53202	Non-Partisan	Thomas P. Donegan	12/28/2009	12/21/2009	12/28/2009	1593			
Office : Monroe County Circuit Court, Branch 2											
46	103273	Mark L. Goodman 1724 S. Highland Drive Sparta, WI 54656	Non-Partisan	Michael J. McAlpine (Filed Notification of Noncandidacy)	10/21/2009	12/16/2009	12/30/2009	385			
39	104854	Kerry Sullivan-Flock 250 Marble Avenue Cashton, WI 54619	Non-Partisan		12/29/2009	12/29/2009	12/29/2009	283			
Office : Monroe County Circuit Court, Branch 3											
104028		Daniel J. Cary 902 Rose Street P.O. Box 253 Cashton, WI 54619	Non-Partisan	(New Office)							
4	104852	J. David Rice 311 East Franklin Street Sparta, WI 54656	Non-Partisan		11/13/2009	01/04/2010	12/16/2009	400			

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Office : Oconto County Circuit Court, Branch 2										
66	104827	Edward Burke 4721 Bell Bridge Road Oconto, WI 54153	Non-Partisan	01/05/2010	01/04/2010	01/05/2010	351			
50	102611	Jay N. Conley 130 Sunrise Court Oconto Falls, WI 54154	Non-Partisan	09/08/2009	12/30/2009	12/30/2009	353			
58	102726	Vance M. Waggoner 6742 County Y Little River, WI 54153	Non-Partisan	01/04/2010	01/04/2010	01/04/2010	322			
Office : Pierce County Circuit Court										
41	104819	Joe Boles N8397 1251st Street River Falls, WI 54022	Non-Partisan	06/18/2009	12/18/2009	12/29/2009	357			
1	104809	Robert L. Loberg 240 North Vine Street Ellsworth, WI 54011	Non-Partisan	01/07/2009	12/16/2009	12/11/2009	315			
Office : Racine County Circuit Court, Branch 2										
32	104824	Eugene Gasioriewicz 3929 South Brook Road Franksville, WI 53126	Non-Partisan	12/28/2009	12/28/2009	12/28/2009	400			
20	104197	Georgia Herrera 301 N. Vincennes Circle North Bay, WI 53402	Non-Partisan	06/29/2009	12/18/2009	12/22/2009	400			

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Office : Racine County Circuit Court, Branch 4											
21	104199	John S. Jude 3800 Washington Avenue Racine, WI 53405	Non-Partisan	John S. Jude	10/19/2009	12/03/2009	12/22/2009	246			
Office : Rock County Circuit Court, Branch 2											
3	104218	Alan Bates 219 Jackman Street Janesville, WI 53545	Non-Partisan	Alan Bates	10/19/2009	12/01/2009	12/14/2009	375			
Office : Rusk County Circuit Court											
30	104873	Steven P. Anderson 602 Worden Avenue East Ladysmith, WI 54848	Non-Partisan	Frederick A. Henderson (Filed Notification of Noncandidacy)	12/28/2009		12/28/2009	305			
10	104853	Carol A. Conklin W8534 Cedarbrook Circle Ladysmith, WI 54848	Non-Partisan		10/22/2009	12/18/2009	12/18/2009	274			
Office : Sauk County Circuit Court, Branch 2											
24	102044	James Evenson 930 2nd St Baraboo, WI 53913	Non-Partisan	James Evenson	10/27/2009	12/23/2009	12/23/2009	400			
Office : Vilas County Circuit Court											
6	104220	Neal A. Nielsen 2055 Harmony Lake Road Eagle River, WI 54521	Non-Partisan	Neal A. Nielsen, III	12/16/2009	12/07/2009	12/16/2009	362			
Office : Walworth County Circuit Court, Branch 2											
37	101132	James L. Carlson 236 South Elizabeth Street Whitewater, WI 53190	Non-Partisan	James L. Carlson	12/28/2009	12/08/2009	12/28/2009	242			

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Office : Walworth County Circuit Court, Branch 4 Incumbent : Michael S. Gibbs (Filed Notification of Noncandidacy)										
60	103735	F. Mark Bromley W5838 Greening Road Whitewater, WI 53190-4026	Non-Partisan	10/13/2009	12/28/2009	01/04/2010	299			
63	102801	David A. Danz 377 Frost Dr Williams Bay, WI 53191	Non-Partisan	01/04/2010		01/04/2010	355			
65	104866	Scott Letteney N3299 Sycamore Road Lake Geneva, WI 53147-3340	Non-Partisan	01/05/2010		01/05/2010	234			
56	104855	David M. Reddy 214 N. 3rd Street Delavan, WI 53115	Non-Partisan	01/04/2010	01/04/2010	01/04/2010	400			
Office : Waukesha County Circuit Court, Branch 2 Incumbent : Richard Congdon										
34	100732	Richard A. Congdon 408 East Roberta Ave Waukesha, WI 53186	Non-Partisan	12/28/2009		12/28/2009	372			
5	103333	Mark Gundrum 5239 S. Guerin Pass New Berlin, WI 53151	Non-Partisan	11/12/2009	12/16/2009	12/16/2009	400			
Office : Waupaca County Circuit Court, Branch 2 Incumbent : John P. Hoffmann										
47	102041	John P. Hoffmann 107 Ridgeway Heights Manawa, WI 54949	Non-Partisan	10/26/2009	12/30/2009	12/30/2009	244			

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Office : Winnebago County Circuit Court, Branch 3											
19	103552	Barbara Hart Key 2925 East Pheasant Court Oshkosh, WI 54904	Non-Partisan	Barbara Hart Key	11/19/2009	12/09/2009	12/22/2009	380			
Office : Winnebago County Circuit Court, Branch 5											
62	103124	Caroline A. Carver 923 Nicolet Avenue Oshkosh, WI 54901	Non-Partisan	William H. Carver (Filed Notification of Noncandidacy)	01/04/2010	01/04/2010	01/04/2010	394			
64	104835	Mark Richard Fremgen 2860 Fox Tail Lane Oshkosh, WI 54904	Non-Partisan		08/10/2009	12/04/2009	01/04/2010	277			
26	103529	Edmund J. Jelinski 2780 County Road JJ Neenah, WI 54956	Non-Partisan		09/21/2009	12/21/2009	12/23/2009	264			
57	103370	John Jorgensen 1665 Chatham Dr Oshkosh, WI 54904	Non-Partisan		10/02/2009	12/08/2009	01/04/2010	349			
45	104856	David W. Keck 506 Jackson Apt. 102 Oshkosh, WI 54901	Non-Partisan		10/27/2009	12/30/2009	12/30/2009	309			
Office : Wood County Circuit Court, Branch 2											
36	102068	James Mason 511 Heeg Lane Nekoosa, WI 54457	Non-Partisan	James Mason	12/21/2009	12/14/2009	12/28/2009	310			

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Total Candidates Registered for Election : 67