

# Judicial Independence Forum

*Should we reform Wisconsin Supreme Court elections?*

**Monday, June 1<sup>st</sup> – 7:00 p.m.**

**Franciscan Spirituality Center, La Crosse**

**920 Market Street – Free parking available in surface lot at 9<sup>th</sup> & Market Streets**

**FREE & OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

Recent Supreme Court elections have shown that wealthy special interests aim to take control of the courts and bend justice to serve their purposes. Moderated by Peg Perri from the League of Women Voters of the La Crosse Area, panelists will reflect on recent elections and discuss and answer questions on important reforms that could be enacted this year:

- **Mike McCabe** – Executive Director of Wisconsin Democracy Campaign
- **Rick Kyte** – Director of D.B. Reinhart Institute for Ethics in Leadership at Viterbo University
- **Tom Sleik** – Former President of the State Bar of Wisconsin; Attorney with Hale, Skemp, Hanson, Skemp & Sleik out of La Crosse; Former Chair of State Judicial Commission; Current member of Federal Nominating Commission for federal judgeships in Wisconsin

## **Event sponsored by:**

**League of Women Voters of the La Crosse Area:** <http://lwvlacrosse.org>

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**Wisconsin Democracy Campaign Judicial Independence Project**, a non-partisan organizational initiative to build public awareness of the need and opportunities for judicial election reform for Wisconsin.

**The Judicial Independence Project** ([www.impartialjustice.org](http://www.impartialjustice.org)) promotes fair and impartial courts in Wisconsin through research, education, alliance building and advocacy—with a primary focus on building awareness of growing special interest influence over state Supreme Court elections and how interest groups are operating outside current state disclosure laws and campaign finance limitations as they seek control over Wisconsin's highest court.

Visit the website for the Wisconsin Democracy Campaign at [www.wisdc.org](http://www.wisdc.org) for information on reform proposals and how to take action.

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