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Chief Justice Patience Roggensack

Comments on a Rule Petition submitted by the WI Institute for Law and Liberty (WILL) asking the WI Supreme Court to adopt a new rule specific to future lawsuits regarding redistricting.

I am opposed to the above Rule Petition. First of all it is taking away my voice. If adopted this letter will be my only opportunity to comment or voice my opinion. . The new rule would let only political parties automatic standing to present maps before the courts. Again, this curtails my voice in the process.

We hear a lot about transparency! WI citizens deserve to be informed of, and involved in, the redistricting process. This rule limits the flow of information, and even who could make arguments before the courts.

This rule only considers partisan interests, again cutting my voice out of the process.

This process need not be rushed. In the past it took years of consideration to examine procedural changes. This time, we've had only months for the Court to consider a proposed redistricting rule written by partisan insiders.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Galen R. Goeden". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

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