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Wisconsin Sheriffs and Deputy Sheriffs Association Endorses Law Enforcement's Choice – Judge Gableman

Statewide sheriffs' association endorses the only candidate with prosecution experience

[Burnett County, Wisc....] Judge Mike Gableman, already endorsed by the majority of district attorneys and sheriffs in the state, today was endorsed by the Wisconsin Sheriffs and Deputy Sheriffs Association.

The Wisconsin Sheriffs and Deputy Sheriffs Association has 3000 members and has been serving the public and the law enforcement community for 55 years.

“Mike Gableman is an extremely hard working, but fair, judge,” said Ozaukee County Sheriff Maury Straub. “It is obvious that Judge Gableman adheres to the law, not any personal political agenda,” said Straub, who also serves as vice-president of the Wisconsin Sheriffs & Deputy Sheriffs Association (WSDSA). “Judge Gableman has not and will not legislate from the bench of Wisconsin’s highest appellate court, as some might want him to do.”

Sheriff Straub added, “Unlike some folks in the judicial arena, Judge Gableman understands that it is law enforcement’s job to protect society on a daily basis from violent sexual predators, drug pushers, and a whole host of other extremely bad actors.”

Judge Gableman, who enjoys the endorsement of a bi-partisan majority of Wisconsin’s district attorneys and sheriffs, welcomed the endorsement.

“I’m honored to have the endorsement of the men and women who are charged with keeping our families safe from harm,” Judge Gableman said. “Each day these law enforcement leaders face possible danger and life-threatening situations in their difficult jobs. They epitomize public service with their dedication and I’m proud to stand with them.”

Gableman is the only candidate for the Supreme Court with a law enforcement background. Louis Butler, who was appointed by Governor Jim Doyle, was a criminal defense lawyer before becoming a judge. Butler previously ran for the Supreme Court, losing 65%-35% to then-Justice Diane Sykes.

Prior to his experience on the bench, Judge Gableman was appointed District Attorney for Ashland County (1999) by Governor Tommy G. Thompson and subsequently won election to the position. As District Attorney, he was the lead prosecutor on cases as diverse as arson, sexual assault, domestic violence, and white collar crimes. He also served as a front-line prosecutor in Marathon County (1997-1999) and Langlade County (1996-1997) as an Assistant District Attorney.

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