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Chief Justice Patience Roggensack

I am writing in opposition to the petition the WI Institute for Law and Liberty filed asking the WI Supreme Court to adopt a new rule affecting future lawsuits regarding redistricting. This purposed rule will limit transparency- the flow of info and even who makes arguments before the court. It changes the legal process of allowing a case to proceed from a trial court to the appellate court to the supreme court- thereby limiting opportunities to develop the record, correct mistakes, and limiting review. Only partisan interests have standing to present maps?? I am a member of the League of Women Voters- a non-partisan group-I feel very strongly that my non-partisan opinion is perhaps even more valid than the political parties opinions. The Supreme Court in a democracy should be neutral- not political. This petition adoption feels very political to me. And why is this being rushed? Months instead of years as in the past when redistricting legislation was considered. Again, I am opposed to the adoption of this proposal.

Sincerely yours,

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