

## Wis Democracy Campaign - 1849, Really?

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***Matt Rothschild talks about Wisconsin's anti-abortion law that went on the books in 1849.***

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MADISON - Yep, that's the year Wisconsin's anti-abortion law went on the books, and this antiquated law would criminalize any doctor who performs an abortion, except to save the life of the mother.

To give you an idea of just how antiquated this law is, I wrote up this item:

### [1849, Yikes!](#)

This attack on a woman's right to decide what's best for her, in consultation with her doctor and her loved ones, is part and parcel of the anti-democracy movement we're living in right now. I recently attended a lecture on this anti-democracy movement, and here's what I got out of it:

### [We've Been Warned](#)

Of course, Jan. 6 was the trumpet blaring out this warning of authoritarianism.

The House January 6th Committee will hold hearings next month to expose the Trump Republicans' role in the attack on our country.

So I thought you might be interested in joining a **May 12 virtual strategy briefing at 6:00 p.m. CT** by the Not Above the Law coalition to learn about plans to publicize the hearings and hold those who would overturn our elections

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accountable. It will feature two members of House Select Committee: Representative Jamie Raskin and Representative Pramila Jayapal (tentative).

[Go here to RSVP for the May 12 briefing for activists](#) .

Meanwhile, we keep tracing the money in Wisconsin politics. Here's an item our research director, Mike Buelow, dug up:

[GOP Electioneering Group Plans to spend \\$700K in Wisconsin AG Race](#)

And our data analyst, David Julseth, has now brought up to date the statements of economic interest of all Wisconsin's statewide officeholders:

[See What They're Worth](#)

Lastly, I wanted to make sure you've got us on your calendar for the evening of May 19. That's when we're having our annual celebration. As usual, it's at the Lussier Family Heritage Center, 3101 Lake Farm Rd, south of South Towne in rural Madison. Registration is at 5:30 p.m., and the program starts promptly at 6:00 p.m. We will be serving some delicious light food from Marigold Kitchen. And if you want just to watch remotely, you can do that, too. For up-to-date information, go [here](#) or contact my colleague Beverly Speer at [mail @wisdc.org](mailto:@wisdc.org) .

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Best,

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