

Watch Those “Issue” ads!

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Rebecca Bradley is running to keep the seat Scott Walker gave her last fall on the Wisconsin Supreme Court and she's using video from the Bradley Foundation backed Wisconsin Alliance for Reform, run by former Republican operatives, in her campaign. This coordination, which Bradley previously said she wouldn't engage in, is now legal in Wisconsin.

MADISON - You can tell election season is open in Wisconsin now because your TV screens and your mailboxes are starting to fill up with bogus “issue” ads.

The first group out of the gate is the [Wisconsin Alliance for Reform](#), run by former Republican operatives. They've put together an ad that praises

Rebecca Bradley

, who is running to keep the seat Scott Walker gave her last fall on the Wisconsin Supreme Court. And they've even used video from Bradley's campaign itself. This coordination, which Bradley previously said she wouldn't engage in, is now legal in Wisconsin, by the way.

[Group's “issue ad” cribs from Supreme Court candidate's campaign](#)

And we just got a call today from one of our members who got a mailing from this same group that cast aspersions on Iowa County DA Larry Nelson, who is running for circuit court judge.

If you see an “issue” ad from any group, please contact us.

The best way to do so is to go to our [Hijack Hotline](#) on our website.

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Feel free to contact us if you have any questions regarding the online reporting form or would rather discuss the details directly: (608) 255-4260.

Speaking of Larry Nelson, he’s one of the three district attorneys who recently joined the John Doe II case and is trying to appeal the Wisconsin Supreme Court’s ruling in the case to the U.S. Supreme Court. Now those who were being investigated by the John Doe are trying to block any such appeal, as we wrote here:

[John Doe opponents try to block path to U.S. Supreme Court](#)

One other issue we’re following closely is the outrageous effort to loosen the restrictions on high-capacity wells that factory farms use. The latest twist is that Speaker Robin Vos has urged AG Brad Schimel to intervene and overrule the DNR on this one. Turns out Schimel has gotten money from some of the biggest factory farm owners, as we show here:

[Schimel to rule on wells after getting contributions from factory farms](#)

You never know what they’ll come up with next! But you can count on us to expose it.