

Janet Protasiewicz Wins Wisconsin Supreme Court Race

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Judge Janet delivers remarks to supporters at Saint Kate hotel in Milwaukee last night after winning election.

MILWAUKEE, Wis. – Tonight, Wisconsinites across the state voted for Judge Janet Protasiewicz to be their next justice on the Wisconsin Supreme Court.

Justice-elect Protasiewicz delivered remarks to supporters at Saint Kate hotel in Milwaukee this evening.

Below are excerpts of Judge Janet's remarks, as prepared for delivery:

Wisconsin! We did it!

Thank you all for being here tonight to ring in this victory! Today's results have been over a year in the making, and I could not have done it without the hard work and dedication of all of you here and countless others.□

Just over a year ago I got into this race. I made that decision because I saw that Wisconsinites were ready for common sense and fairness on their Supreme Court. They were ready to put aside the partisanship and extremism, to have impartiality and a court that makes decisions based on the law, not a political agenda.

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Throughout my career I've seen our judicial system up close and I believe in something that is universal to Wisconsinites all across our state and that is: everyone should get a fair shot to demand justice—and not feel like the thumb is on the scale against them.

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I care deeply about this state – it's been my home for my entire life. And I care deeply about all of you, the people of Wisconsin. The only client I have ever served throughout my 35-year career in the law. I knew the people of Wisconsin expected and deserved more from their Supreme Court.

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It is the honor of my lifetime to be elected as your next justice on the Wisconsin Supreme Court. This result would not have been possible without the voters of Wisconsin, who showed up at the polls and used the power of their ballot to make their voices heard. So finally, to the people of Wisconsin, I thank you.

Today's results mean two very important and special things.

First, it means that Wisconsin voters have made their voice heard. They've chosen to reject partisan extremism in their state.

And second, it means that democracy will always prevail.

Too many have tried to overturn the will of the people in our state. Today's result shows that Wisconsinites believe in democracy and the democratic process.

Today, I'm proud to stand by the promise I've made to every Wisconsinite that I will always deliver justice and bring common sense to our Supreme Court. This is a victory for all of us.

You have entrusted me with great responsibility and I will treat this role with the highest degree of integrity. I will bring the fairness and impartiality that you all have been waiting for. And I will be a part of the solution to make our Supreme Court something that you all feel proud of and protected by.