

2020 Elections Summary

Here in Wisconsin, we never get tired of elections!

Voters across Wisconsin will be voting in the regular Spring and Fall elections. Those in the north woods also have a special election for the 7th Congressional District to replace former-Congressman Sean Duffy.

Spring Election General: April 7th, 2020

► STATE SUPREME COURT

Incumbent Supreme Court Justice **Daniel Kelly** is not running for re-election to the 10-year term. Kelly was first appointed to the court in 2016 by Governor **Scott Walker** to finish the term of retired Justice **David Prosser**.

Two liberal candidates are running to replace him: **Jilly Karofsky** and **Ed Fallone**. Supreme Court elections are officially non-partisan but have in practice become more partisan over the last decade. Kelly is supported by the Republican Party while Karofsky and Fallone are supported by the Democratic Party.

Daniel Kelly	Jill Karofsky
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> currently a Justice of the State Supreme Court running for a full ten-year term <p><i>He received his bachelor's degree in political science and Spanish from Carroll University and his J.D. from Regent University School of Law. Kelly is a founding partner of Rogahn Kelly LLC, which he formed with another attorney in 2014. Before that, Kelly was the vice president and general counsel for the Kern Family Foundation from 2013-2014. He was previously a shareholder at Reinhart Boerner Van Deuren, s.c., in Milwaukee.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a judge for Branch 12 of the Dane County Circuit Court in Wisconsin assumed office in 2017 Her current term ends in 2023 <p><i>Karofsky earned her bachelor's degree from Duke University. She holds a master's degree and J.D. from the University of Wisconsin. Karofsky was the education director and general counsel for the National Conference of Bar Examiners from 2001 to 2010. She was the executive director for the Wisconsin Office of Crime Victim Services at the time of her election.</i></p>

Individual Contribution Limit: \$20,000 per candidate

► PRESIDENTIAL RACES

Also falling on the April 7th election will be the presidential preference primary. The Democrat primary will be the only contested race as President Trump is unopposed. It remains to be seen what Democrats will still be running by the time we get to April.

► LOCAL RACES

You will likely have numerous local races on your ballot in April from town board, city council, school board, and county board. Be sure to check what's on your ballot before voting!

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7th Congressional Special Election

General: May 12th, 2020

Candidates from both parties are running to replace Congressman Sean Duffy who retired in October. Regardless of who wins this special election, they will also have to run in the regularly scheduled Fall General Election.

Tom Tiffany (Republican)	Tricia Zunker (Democratic)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • currently a State Senator representing the 12th State Senate District • previously served in the State Assembly from 2011-2013 <p><i>Tiffany graduated from the University of Wisconsin–River Falls in 1980 with a degree in agricultural economics. He managed the petroleum division of a farm cooperative in Plainview, Minnesota, before coming to Minocqua, Wisconsin, to manage Zenker Oil Company's petroleum distribution in 1988. He and his wife, Chris, have operated an excursion business on the Willow Flowage since 1991.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • an at-large member of the Wausau School District school board in Wisconsin • assumed office in 2018 • acted as the Associate Justice of the Ho-Chunk Nation Supreme Court since 2013 and is currently serving her second elected term <p><i>Zunker holds an undergraduate degree from the University of Wisconsin as well as a law degree from UCLA.</i></p>

Fall Partisan Election

Primary: August 11th, 2020

General: November 3rd, 2020

► U.S. CONGRESS

All eight members of the House of Representatives from Wisconsin will be on the ballot this year. Neither U.S. Senator **Ron Johnson** (R) or **Tammy Baldwin** (D) will be on the ballot.

Individual Contribution Limit: \$2,800 per election (primary and general,) per candidate.

► WISCONSIN STATE SENATE

Half of the Wisconsin State Senate will be on the ballot this Fall. Anyone in a Senate district that has an even number will be running for election. Currently, Republicans control the State Senate 19-14. Eight districts currently held by Republicans and eight districts currently held by Democrats are on the ballot. Based on the districts' political leanings and announced retirements, it is likely that Republicans will at least hold their majority if not increase it.

Individual Contribution Limit: \$2,000 per candidate

► WISCONSIN STATE ASSEMBLY

All 99 members of the Wisconsin State Assembly are up for re-election. Republicans currently hold a 63-34 majority. Again, based on the political composition of the districts, the Republicans are strongly favored to hold their majority.

Individual Contribution Limit: \$1,000 per candidate

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