

# Wisconsin Supreme Court and Court of Appeals Case Access

## Wisconsin Justice Initiative, Inc. v. Wisconsin Elections Commission Appeal Number 2020AP002003

Supreme Court

### CASE HISTORY

Status	Court	Filing Date	Anticipated Due Date	Activity
PEND	SC			Awaiting Opinion/Decision
OCCD	SC	01-23-2023		Letter/Correspondence Comment: From Atty Mandell re: Atty Mel Barnes recently left Law Forward, Inc., other three attys remain as counsel for amici curiae ACLU of WI and Law Forward.
OCCD	SC	09-06-2022		Oral Argument Comment: 1st case, 9:45 a.m., State Capitol SC Hearing Room. Hannah S. Jurss for Defendants-Appellants. Dennis M Grzezinski for Plaintiffs-Respondents
OCCD	SC	07-01-2022		Assigned-Oral Argument
OCCD	SC	06-09-2022		Brief of Amicus Curiae <a href="#">Non-party (Amicus) Brief - Lotus Legal Clinic, Inc.</a> Filed By: Rachel Sattler Comment: LOTUS Legal Clinic, Inc.
OCCD	SC	05-26-2022		Brief of Amicus Curiae <a href="#">Brief of Amicus Curiae (ACLU of Wisconsin &amp; Law Forward, Inc.)</a> Filed By: Mel Barnes Comment: ACLU of Wisconsin, Inc. & Law Forward, Inc.
OCCD	SC	05-26-2022		Brief of Amicus Curiae <a href="#">Brief of Amicus Curiae (SPD)</a> Filed By: Katie York Comment: State Public Defender
OCCD	SC	05-26-2022		Response Comment: 10 addl copies of CA briefs due for SC unless standing on CA briefs
OCCD	SC	05-23-2022		Motion to Extend Time

Filed By: Erika Petty  
Submit Date: 5-24-2022  
Decision: (G) Grant  
Decision Date: 5-26-2022  
IT IS ORDERED that the motion is granted. Twenty-two copies of the brief shall be filed on or before June 9, 2022.  
See BAM event due on 6-9-2022

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OCCD SC 05-11-2022 Certificate of Service

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OCCD SC 05-11-2022 [Brief of Amicus Curiae](#)  
[Brief of Amicus Curiae \(Wisconsin Manufacturers & Commerce, Inc.\)](#)

Filed By: Scott Rosenow  
Comment: Wisconsin Manufacturers and Commerce, Inc. Cover letter re: Brief of Amicus Curiae of WMC, Inc.

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OCCD SC 04-27-2022 [Brief of Amicus Curiae](#)  
[Brief of Amicus Curiae \(Marsy's Law For Wisconsin, L.L.C., et al.\)](#)

Filed By: Kendall Harrison  
Comment: Marsy's Law for Wisconsin, L.L.C., Mothers Against Drunk Driving, Wisconsin Victim/Witness Professionals Association, Wisconsin Chiefs of Police Association, Milwaukee Police Association, Wisconsin Professional Police Association, Bolton Refuge House, Inc., Golden House, Inc., UNIDOS Against Domestic Violence, New Day Advocacy Center & Eau Claire Area Hmong Mutual Assistance Association, Inc.

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OCCD SC 04-25-2022 Motion to File Amicus/Non-Party Brief

Filed By: Erika Petty  
Submit Date: 4-27-2022  
Decision: (G) Grant  
Decision Date: 4-29-2022  
IT IS ORDERED that the motion is granted. Twenty-two copies of the brief shall be filed on or before May 26, 2022.  
Comment: LOTUS Legal Clinic, Inc.; motion does not bear original/wet signature, spoke w/Atty Petty same day, she will arrange for filing of one copy of motion bearing original signatures ASAP; originally signed copy of motion rec'd 4/27/22

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OCCD SC 04-25-2022 Motion to File Amicus/Non-Party Brief

Filed By: Katie York  
Submit Date: 4-25-2022  
Decision: (G) Grant  
Decision Date: 4-26-2022  
IT IS ORDERED that the motion of Marsy's Law for Wisconsin, LLC, et al., is granted, and the brief submitted with the motion is accepted as filed; and  
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the motions of Wisconsin Manufacturers & Commerce, Inc.; the State Public Defender; and the American Civil Liberties Union of Wisconsin, Inc., and Law Forward, Inc., are granted. Twenty-two copies of their briefs shall be filed and served on or before May 26, 2022.  
Comment: State Public Defender Court Order of 4/26/2022

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OCCD SC 04-25-2022 Motion to File Amicus/Non-Party Brief

Filed By: Mel Barnes

Submit Date: 4-25-2022  
Decision: (G) Grant  
Decision Date: 4-26-2022

IT IS ORDERED that the motion of Marsy's Law for Wisconsin, LLC, et al., is granted, and the brief submitted with the motion is accepted as filed; and  
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the motions of Wisconsin Manufacturers & Commerce, Inc.; the State Public Defender; and the American Civil Liberties Union of Wisconsin, Inc., and Law Forward, Inc., are granted. Twenty-two copies of their briefs shall be filed and served on or before May 26, 2022.  
Comment: ACLU of Wisconsin, Inc. & Law Forward, Inc.

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OCCD SC 04-22-2022 Reply Brief-Supreme Court  
[Reply Brief-Supreme Court](#)

Filed By: Jody Schmelzer

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OCCD SC 04-21-2022 Certificate of Service  
Comment: Certificate of Service

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OCCD SC 04-21-2022 Motion to File Amicus/Non-Party Brief

Filed By: Scott Rosenow  
Submit Date: 4-25-2022  
Decision: (G) Grant  
Decision Date: 4-26-2022

IT IS ORDERED that the motion of Marsy's Law for Wisconsin, LLC, et al., is granted, and the brief submitted with the motion is accepted as filed; and  
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the motions of Wisconsin Manufacturers & Commerce, Inc.; the State Public Defender; and the American Civil Liberties Union of Wisconsin, Inc., and Law Forward, Inc., are granted. Twenty-two copies of their briefs shall be filed and served on or before May 26, 2022.  
Comment: Wisconsin Manufacturers and Commerce, Inc.; motion does not bear wet signature, LVM for atty. Rosenow 4/21/22 seeking original signature on one copy. Motion to be submitted upon receipt of originally signed version; originally signed motion rec'd 4/25/22

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OCCD SC 04-20-2022 Motion to File Amicus/Non-Party Brief

Filed By: Mike Wittenwyler  
Submit Date: 4-20-2022  
Decision: (G) Grant  
Decision Date: 4-26-2022

IT IS ORDERED that the motion of Marsy's Law for Wisconsin, LLC, et al., is granted, and the brief submitted with the motion is accepted as filed; and  
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the motions of Wisconsin Manufacturers & Commerce, Inc.; the State Public Defender; and the American Civil Liberties Union of Wisconsin, Inc., and Law Forward, Inc., are granted. Twenty-two copies of their briefs shall be filed and served on or before May 26, 2022.  
Comment: re: Marsy's Law for Wisconsin, L.L.C., Mothers Against Drunk Driving, Wisconsin Victim/Witness Professionals Association, Wisconsin Chiefs of Police Association, Milwaukee Police Association, Wisconsin Professional Police Association, Bolton Refuge House, Inc., Golden House, Inc., UNIDOS Against Domestic Violence, New Day Advocacy Center & Eau Claire Area Hmong Mutual Assistance Association, Inc.

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OCCD SC 04-14-2022 Response Brief-Supreme Court  
[Response Brief-Supreme Court](#)

Filed By: Dennis Grzezinski

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OCCD SC 03-23-2022 Rejected Electronic Document

Comment: The electronic copy of the Certificate of Mailing is rejected because there is currently no statutory provision for the acceptance of this type of electronic document in the Supreme Court.

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OCCD SC 03-23-2022 Rejected Electronic Document

Comment: The electronic version of the Appendix to First Brief-Supreme Court is rejected due to errors in the case caption on the brief's cover page. A listing of the complete case caption can be found on the case docket located at: <https://wscca.wicourts.gov/index.xsl>. Please upload a corrected electronic version of the brief that displays the appropriate caption.

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OCCD SC 03-21-2022 First Brief-Supreme Court  
[First Brief-Supreme Court](#)

Filed By: Jody Schmelzer

Comment: Separate appendix. Note that the caption has been corrected on this brief. Please use the above caption on all future briefs.

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OCCD SC 02-17-2022 Court Changed to Supreme Court

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OCCD CA 02-17-2022 Hold Status

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OCCD CA 12-21-2021 Attorney address updated

Comment: Address changed for attorney: 5133 Dennis M. Grzezinski

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OCCD CA 12-21-2021 Attorney address updated

OCCD SC 12-21-2021 Certification Filed

Filed By: Unassigned District 3

Submit Date: 12-21-2021

Decision: (G) Grant

Decision Date: 2-17-2022

IT IS ORDERED the certification is granted and the appeal is accepted for consideration of all issues raised before the court of appeals. When this court grants direct review upon certification, it acquires jurisdiction of the case, Wis. Const. art. VII, 3(3), that is, the entire appeal, which includes all issues, not merely the issues certified or the issue for which the court accepts the certification. State v. Stoehr, 134 Wis. 2d 66, 70, 396 N.W.2d 177 (1986); Wis. Stat. 808.05(2) and (Rule) 809.61. Further, the court has jurisdiction over issues not certified because the court may review an issue directly on its own motion. Wis. Stat. 808.05(3); and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that within 30 days after the date of this order the defendants-appellants must file either a brief in this court or a statement that no brief will be filed; that within 20 days of filing, the plaintiffs-respondents must file either a brief or a statement that no brief will be filed; and that if a brief is filed by the plaintiffs-respondents, within 10 days of filing, the defendants-appellants must file either a reply brief or a statement that no reply brief will be filed; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that in any brief filed in this court the parties shall not incorporate by reference any portion of their court of appeals' brief; instead, any material upon which there is reliance should be restated in the brief filed in this court; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that in the event any party elects not to file a brief in this court, the briefs previously submitted by that party to the court of appeals shall stand as that party's brief in the Supreme Court; and

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that within the time period established for the filing of briefs, each party must provide the clerk of this court with copies of the briefs previously filed on behalf of that party in the court of appe

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OCCD CA 12-21-2021 [Opinion/Decision](#)

Judge Panel: Stark, Hruz, Nashold

Opinion: Certification

Decision: Certification Filed Pages: 19

Order Text: Certification filed

Comment: Opinion/Decision

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OCCD CA 07-01-2021 Other Papers

Comment: Notice of Withdrawal of Counsel

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OCCD CA 06-30-2021 Submitted on Briefs

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OCCD CA 04-16-2021 Briefs Received At State Law Library

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OCCD CA 04-06-2021 Record and Briefs Sent to District 3

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OCCD CA 04-05-2021 [Brief of Amicus Curiae](#)  
[Brief of Amicus Curiae - American Civil Liberties Union of Wisconsin, Inc. and Law Forward, Inc.](#)

Filed By: Mel Barnes

Comment: American Civil Liberties Union of Wisconsin, Inc. and Law Forward, Inc.

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OCCD CA 03-26-2021 Brief of Amicus Curiae  
[Brief of Amicus Curiae \(Marsy's Law For Wisconsin, L.L.C. and Mothers Against Drunk Driving\)](#)  
Filed By: Kendall Harrison  
Comment: Marsy's Law for Wisconsin, L.L.C. and Mothers Against Drunk Driving 05-02-22: Received 10 copies of CA briefs for SC use.

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OCCD CA 03-25-2021 Reply Brief  
[Reply Brief](#)  
Filed By: Jennifer Vandermeuse  
Comment: 03-21-22: 10 copies of CA reply brief received for SC use.

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OCCD CA 03-24-2021 Motion to File Amicus/Non-Party Brief  
Filed By: Mike Wittenwyler  
Submit Date: 3-25-2021  
Decision: (G) Grant  
Decision Date: 3-26-2021  
IT IS ORDERED that Marsys Law for Wisconsin, LLC, and Mothers Against Drunk Driving, may file a joint nonparty brief in this matter pursuant to WIS. STAT. RULE 809.19(7). The brief shall be limited to 3,000 words and shall be due April 7, 2021.  
Comment: Marsy's Law for Wisconsin, L.L.C. and Mothers Against Drunk Driving

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OCCD CA 03-23-2021 Motion to File Amicus/Non-Party Brief  
Filed By: Christine Donahoe  
Submit Date: 3-23-2021  
Decision: (G) Grant  
Decision Date: 3-24-2021  
IT IS ORDERED that The American Civil Liberties Union of Wisconsin and Law Forward, Inc. may file a joint nonparty brief in this matter pursuant to WIS. STAT. RULE 809.19(7). The brief shall be limited to 3,000 words and shall be due April 5, 2021.  
Comment: re: American Civil Liberties Union of Wisconsin, Inc. and Law Forward, Inc.

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OCCD CA 03-10-2021 Brief of Respondent(s)  
[Brief of Respondents](#)  
Filed By: Dennis Grzezinski

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OCCD CA 02-08-2021 Brief & Appx of Appellant(s)  
[Brief of Appellants](#)  
Filed By: Hannah Jurss  
Comment: 03-21-22: 10 copies of CA appellant's brief received for SC use.

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OCCD CA 12-28-2020 Record  
Comment: 1-22 to 49-1 ELECTRONICALLY FILED Record Filing Notice

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OCCD CA 12-07-2020 Notif. Sent-Filing of NAP & Ct. Record

WSCCA Case History

OCCD CA	12-07-2020	Transfer to District III
OCCD CA	12-07-2020	Transfer District Designation
OCCD CA	12-07-2020	Fee Waived Comment: Filed by state entity
OCCD CA	12-07-2020	Notice of Appeal & Court Record
OCCD CA	12-02-2020	Statement on Transcript Filed By: Jennifer Vandermeuse Status: Prev. Filed
OCCD CA	12-02-2020	Notice of Appeal filed in Cir. Ct.
OCCD CA	12-02-2020	Docketing Statement from Appellant
OCCD CA	11-23-2020	Judgment of Circuit Court
OCCD CA	11-03-2020	Order of Circuit Court