

Karofsky raised \$121,000 since early May for Supreme Court bid

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Supreme Court candidate Jill Karofsky raised \$121,000 since early May for her bid to knock off conservative Justice Daniel Kelly, her campaign says.

The Dane County judge will report \$110,913 in the bank to end June and received donations from more than 600 contributors.

Karofsky, who won an open seat on the Dane County bench in 2017, and Marquette University Law School Professor Ed Fallon both got in the race to challenge Kelly in 2020.

Karofsky's campaign says the \$121,000 raised includes \$15,000 in personal money, putting her fundraising from individuals in line with recent left-of-center Supreme Court candidates.

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Appeals Court Judge Lisa Neubauer, who lost this spring's race to conservative Brian Hagedorn, reported \$358,288 in receipts on her July 2018 report. But that included a \$250,000 personal loan.

Justice Rebecca Dallet, then a Milwaukee County judge, pulled in \$270,984 on her July 2017 report ahead of her successful bid in 2018 for an open seat on the bench. But that also included personal money in the form of a \$200,000 loan. Meanwhile, attorney Tim Burns reported raising \$122,751 on his July 2017 report ahead of finishing third in the three-way primary that following spring. He gave himself \$1,000 in that initial fundraising period.

Fundraising reports for the first half of 2019 are due Tuesday.