

Wisconsin Family Action: Judge Amy Coney Barrett becomes Justice Barrett

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MADISON, WI - On a 52-48 vote, yesterday evening the US Senate confirmed President Donald Trump's nominee, Amy Coney Barrett, as an associate justice to the United States Supreme Court. The vote was along party lines with the notable exception of Senator Susan Collins (R-ME) who voted with the Democrats.

The following is a statement from Julaine Appling, president of Wisconsin Family Action:

"This is one of the good consequences of having a president who has been committed to conservative judicial appointments. Justice Barrett showed during her confirmation hearings that she is imminently qualified in judicial philosophy, temperament and character to serve on our nation's highest court. I have no doubt that we will, as a nation, be well served for years to come by this wife and mother of seven who is a brilliant legal mind and has also had a distinguished legal career.

"The Supreme Court will be dealing with extremely important issues in the days ahead. Breaking the current possibility for a tie vote is critical. It is encouraging to know Justice Barrett is a true Constitutional originalist who is committed to the rule of law and knows the role of the court is to interpret the law, not make it. That bodes extremely well for any issue that comes before the court, including elections, abortion, marriage, health care, property rights, religious freedom or any other matter.

"While the liberals have called the process 'illegitimate' and accused the Senate Republicans of hijacking the system, the truth is the Constitution and even the Senate's own rules have been followed. The president is president for the entire

four years; not for just a portion of it. The Senate is elected to do its job all the time, including during election cycles. This process as it has played out since the passing of Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg last month is a powerful and very timely reminder that elections really do have consequences.

“Wisconsin Family Action wishes Justice Barrett all the best as she begins serving on our Supreme Court.”