

WisGOP: Judge Jill Karofsky let a serial child sex offender off easy

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[Madison, WI] – In case you missed it, Wisconsin Supreme Court candidate Judge Jill Karofsky gave a serial child sex offender a lenient sentence after he groped a third child while she was on her way to school. This displays a continuing pattern that Karofsky is incapable of holding criminals accountable and keeping our communities safe.

While on probation for prior convictions of 1st Degree Sexual Assault of a child, Micknvgm M. Keodouangsy groped a 12 year-old girl as she walked to school. Karofsky thought it would be appropriate to sentence Keodouangsy to more probation with the first year spent in jail, despite probation clearly not working the last time. Keodouangsy's latest child sexual assault marks the third time he groped a child in less than a three year period. As a self-proclaimed champion of women's rights, Karofsky's refusal to stand up for child victims of sexual assault calls into question her commitment to defending women from dangerous predators.

This isn't the first time Judge Karofsky has been called out for her lenient sentences. Karofsky once gave the [lightest sentence possible](#) to a murderer convicted of brutally killing and hiding the remains of a 21-year-old man. She also let a [hardened criminal off easy](#) which allowed him to become the "kingpin" of a group of organized criminals. The criminals terrorized Wisconsin communities by robbing several homes, stealing several vehicles, and leading police officers on a dangerous high speed chase.

Karofsky's light on crime record stands in stark contrast to Justice Daniel Kelly's record of protecting our rights and standing up for the rule of law. Justice Kelly believes that judges should decide cases based on what the law is, not what he thinks the law should be.

Read the full write-up [here](#), or find excerpts below.

Court Candidate's Lenient Sentence Put Child Sex Offender Back on Streets

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Wisconsin Supreme Court candidate and Dane County Circuit Court judge Jill Karofsky sentenced a serial child sex offender to just a year in jail and five years' probation when the maximum sentence called for 66 years in prison.

Micknvgm M. Keodouangsy, 37, was convicted of two misdemeanor counts of fourth degree sexual assault in 2015. According to a criminal complaint, he groped two teenage girls outside of Madison East High School. Dane County Circuit Court Judge David Flanagan sentenced Keodouangsy to 60 days in jail with Huber work release privileges and placed him on probation for two years.

In 2017, he was before Judge Karofsky and pleaded guilty to a charge of battery (domestic abuse). Karofsky sentenced him to nine months in jail and placed him on probation for an additional two years.

While still on probation for both prior convictions, Keodouangsy groped a 12 year-old girl as she walked to school. He was charged with first degree child sexual assault, a Class B felony in Wisconsin that carries a maximum penalty of 60 years in prison. However, Keodouangsy was charged as a repeat offender, meaning that he could have faced a maximum sentence of 66 years.

In spite of this, Karofsky sentenced him to just a year in jail and five more years of probation. Even though he had violated probation twice before and had groped three girls in the span of less than three years, Keodouangsy spent just a year behind bars and was released last year. According to the Wisconsin Sex Offender Registry, he is homeless and thus could be anywhere in the Greater Madison area.

Karofsky, who has served on the Dane County Circuit since 2017, and Marquette University Law Professor Ed Fallone are challenging incumbent Supreme Court Justice Daniel Kelly in the Spring Election.

Kelly, an appointee of Governor Walker, is seeking election to a full 10-year term.

He is part of the Court's 5-2 conservative majority and is considered a strict constructionist in his interpretation of constitutional law. Karofsky and Fallon are both considered political and judicial liberals who believe in an activist judiciary.

The three candidates will appear on the primary ballot on February 18, with the top two vote-getters moving on to the general election on April 7.

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