

Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee: Insurrectionist, self-professed sexual harasser, bully, and failed candidate Derrick Van Orden gets challenger in WI-03

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Derrick Van Orden better hope that he didn't blow his entire campaign budget on the January 6th insurrection. As a new Democratic challenger enters the WI-03 field, Big Liar and even bigger loser Van Orden is going to need every penny.

Then again, it won't matter: even all the money in the world could not change the fact that Derrick Van Orden is completely out of touch with the voters of Wisconsin's 3rd District.

Since being rejected at the ballot box in 2020, Van Orden has only continued to debase himself by making all the wrong kinds of headlines. The lowlights to date include getting caught [spending campaign money on his trip to the deadly Capitol insurrection](#), new reporting detailing his [self-professed sexual harassment](#), and the [ugly revelation](#) that Van Orden spends his free time bullying local teenagers and throwing tantrums over picture books. Sadly, it's all par for the course.

The bottom line: voters already know that Van Orden would be a disaster for Wisconsin families.

Van Orden's radical record includes:

- [Lying and trying to cover up](#) the fact that he [joined insurrectionists on U.S.](#)

[Capitol grounds on January 6th](#) — for which he now [faces a Federal Election Commission complaint](#) for illegally using campaign funds as a personal slush fund to bankroll his trip to the insurrection.

- [Facing blistering criticism](#) for [repeatedly pushing the Big Lie](#) that led to the deadly Jan. 6th insurrection, insisting that [“there was a tremendous amount of voter fraud in this election,”](#) and continuing to [support efforts to overturn the election results](#) even after the insurrection.
- A deeply disturbing history of misogynistic and anti-women remarks, including [bragging about sexually harassing two young female officers](#) in his book. Recent reporting has revisited the disgusting confession that Van Orden showed his [“ball sack to unsuspecting women”](#) and [criticized women for working outside the home](#).
- Verbally harassing teenagers at a southwestern Wisconsin library in an altercation which was described as [“very uncomfortable, threatening.”](#) Van Orden demanded to know who set up an LGBTQ book display in the library, reportedly threatening to [“teach them a lesson.”](#)
- Taking the dough and [touting the Restaurant Revitalization Fund](#) — despite [opposing](#) and even [lying about](#) the American Rescue Plan that provided [\\$2.5 billion](#) to working families, small businesses, rural hospitals, farmers, and seniors in Wisconsin.
- Wanting to strip health care protections from the [nearly 300,000 people with pre-existing conditions](#) in WI-03 by eliminating [“the last vestiges of the disastrous Obama Care.”](#)
- A history of making antisemitic comments, including [tweeting a Nazi reference](#) at a Jewish former Cabinet secretary.

“Derrick Van Orden is an insurrectionist, proud sexual harasser, and a bully who

proves on a weekly basis that he does not represent Wisconsin values,” **said DCCC spokesperson Elena Kuhn.** “Wisconsin voters want a representative who will fight for working families, not one who stands hand-in-hand with violent insurrectionists — which is why they will reject far-right extremist Van Orden once again next November.”