

WisDems: Failed Congressional Candidate Derrick Van Orden attempts to whitewash participation in violent insurrection

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(Madison) — Two weeks ago, a violent insurrectionist mob attacked the United States Capitol resulting in the death of five Americans – including a Capitol Police officer. Among the attackers was none other than failed congressional candidate, Derrick Van Orden, who is now desperately trying to [whitewash](#) his [participation](#). In a [recent op-ed in The Cap Times](#), Democratic Party of Wisconsin Chair Ben Wikler discussed the Wisconsin GOP accomplices of the insurrection.

“Trump wasn’t a lone wolf saboteur. He had accomplices — nationwide, and very much in Wisconsin...Derrick Van Orden, who ran against Rep. Ron Kind, actually attended Trump’s Jan. 6 rally in D.C., apparently leaving the scene just before the mob sacked the Capitol.”

In a since deleted tweet dated January 6th, Van Orden proudly touted his attendance. Van Orden’s role in the violent attack comes after he stood in lock step with President Trump, spewing disinformation about voter fraud in the November election that eventually led to the deadly events.



“Wisconsin voters already rejected Derrick Van Orden once in November because of his brand of decisive politics and failure to put people ahead of partisanship. His participation in the deadly events represents a new low. Van Orden made his loyalties clear when he joined the violent insurrectionist mob, and no amount of whitewashing can change that,” said Democratic Party of Wisconsin Executive Director Nellie Sires.

Van Orden and Washington Republicans have failed to provide any evidence to support their conspiratorial claims, and their cynical refusal to acknowledge the results of the presidential election has now cost at least five Americans their lives.