

Kleefisch Campaign: ICYMI: Michels Corp. ‘Led The Opposition to Right to Work’

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[Waukesha, Wis.] — In case you missed it, the president of the National Right to Work Legal Defense Foundation and the National Right to Work Committee, Mark Mix, [joined WSAU’s Meg Ellefson](#) on Monday to discuss Wisconsin gubernatorial candidate Tim Michels’ company’s opposition to right to work in Wisconsin.

Mix also discussed how the National Right to Work Foundation [sued Michels Corp.](#) because it fired an employee who refused to pay union dues.

[Listen to Meg Ellefson’s podcast from WSAU here](#) and see quotes from Mark Mix below:

*“There’s one company that kind of **led the opposition** to the right-to-work law’s passage in 2015, and that was the Michels Corp. Obviously, there is one co-owner of that company that’s asking for the support of Wisconsin voters as they go to the polls on, I think August 9th... And that company, the **Michels Corp. was probably the leader in organizing opposition to passage of the right-to-work law in 2015.**”*

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*“We actually, our legal defense foundation represented one of [Michels Corp.’s] employees out in Colorado who was fired because he did not pay union dues. And unfortunately the company and the union out there, the Laborers’ International Union — LIUNA, as their known shortly — **they had a worker fired because he wouldn’t tender dues or fees, and they said he had to pay full union dues.**”*

And that was a violation of federal law.”

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“Obviously, Lt. Gov. Kleefisch is a strong supporter. She was there behind Gov. Walker when he signed the right-to-work law in 2015, and she has advocated that she wants to support it. The issue twofold: One, individual freedom for Wisconsin workers. And secondly, the economic benefit that comes from right-to-work laws. We know that, manufacturing jobs and businesses looking to invest and grow or cite they want right-to-work states.”

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“Rebecca Kleefisch has answered the right-to-work survey 100% in support of right to work. She says she will protect the right-to-work law in Wisconsin, if given the chance to do that and confronted with that issue. And so I think the other candidate needs to stand up and say the same thing. And he has to put it in writing.... So we’re looking for that. And we hope the folks at Wisconsin will continue to ask them these questions.”

To listen to the full podcast, please click [here](#). Visit [here](#) to learn more about the lawsuit from the National Right to Work Foundation.

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