

Michels campaign: Will Evers finally cave to pressure on public parole spree records

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WEST ALLIS, Wisc. - Governor Tony Evers is desperately denying responsibility for his administration's failures. Moreover, the liberal Democrat still, after many months, has not granted lawmakers access to the public information that details the extent of his unpopular and dangerous parole spree.

“There is some indication he will cave to lawmakers’ information requests on Friday,” said Republican gubernatorial candidate Tim Michels. **“But Evers and his team of stonewallers remain mum on the public information requests of the journalists at Wisconsin Right Now!”**

Senator Van Wanggaard and Senator Julian Bradley wrote a [letter](#) demanding an answer to why Evers’ Department of Corrections and Parole Commission are “stonewalling and undermining the Legislature’s duty to oversee the DOC and Commission.” Wanggaard said late Tuesday that the Department indicated that by the end of the week they would get him the readily-available information he requested months ago.

All month, Wisconsin Right Now has been reporting on the brutal murderers, child rapists, and other violent criminals being released by Evers’ Parole Commission. Excluding the 2022 parolees, whose names Evers and the stonewallers refuse to turn over, [at least 884](#) convicted criminals have been released early by Tony Evers’ Parole Commission and are now living throughout the state. Wisconsin Right Now has sought information detailing paroles granted so far in 2022 but Evers and his administration are withholding those records. WRN has retained the services of the Wisconsin Institute for Law and Liberty and are suing for access to the public

records. Meanwhile, Evers claims he has no control over his administration's actions.

“Tony Evers whines almost as often as he fails to lead,” said Michels. **“He never accepts responsibility for the actions of the people under his command as his tired, old catch-and-release approach to crime has freed rapists and murderers and made our communities less safe. To this day, we still don't know how many have been released or how many his parole commission are prepping for launch back into Wisconsin neighborhoods yet this year.”**

Four years ago, Evers vowed to trim Wisconsin's prison population by 50 percent. Last week, Michels sent a [letter](#) to Evers urging him to temporarily halt paroles and pardons for the rest of the year “while the people of Wisconsin have the chance to re-evaluate and weigh in on [his] desire to empty out our prisons.” Evers has publicly denied the request, so Wisconsin can expect the parole spree to continue for as long as Evers remains Wisconsin's governor.

About Tim Michels:

Tim Michels is a conservative businessman and veteran running for Governor of Wisconsin. Tim is a proven leader from outside the political establishment who is poised to clean up the mess in Madison and get things headed in the right direction. After serving in the Army for 12 years, Michels worked with his brothers to run Michels Corporation, which in the last 25 years has grown from a few hundred employees to a nationally-admired, multi-faceted construction company with more than 8,000 employees.