

# Thomas More Society: May 17 election bribery hearing against Wisconsin Election Commission and Madison officials

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*(May 16, 2022 - Madison, Wisconsin)* A May 17, 2022, hearing in Wisconsin's Circuit Court of Dane County will address allegations of election law violations by Madison, Wisconsin, election officials, and refusal by the Wisconsin Election Commissions to take action. Oral arguments will be presented by Thomas More Society attorneys representing a group of Wisconsin voters in the case, which accuses the City of Madison of election law violations, including election bribery, and the Wisconsin Election Commission with dereliction of duty. The case contends that the City of Madison entered a contract and accepted private money and direction to facilitate the use of legally unauthorized absentee ballot drop boxes and to selectively target increased in-person and absentee voting for specific populations, actions which are against Wisconsin's election law.

**WHAT: Hearing in *Yiping Liu et al. v. Wisconsin Elections Commission et al.* before Circuit Court Judge Stephen E. Ehke**

**WHEN: Tuesday, May 17, 2022, 1:30 p.m. (Central)**

**WHERE: Wisconsin Circuit Court - Dane County Courthouse, 7th Floor, Courtroom 7D - Branch 15, 215 S Hamilton Street, Madison, WI 53703-3285**

MAP: <https://goo.gl/maps/NhwrMewkFDP2tBL77>

The hearing is also scheduled to be broadcast live on Wisconsin

Eye, <https://wiseye.org/>

Thomas More Society Special Counsel Erick Kaardal detailed the basic actions that led to violations charges and the current legal action. He explained that the core of the case is that private monies, given through a conditional grant, provided the means that allowed non-governmental entities and individuals to illegally engage as consultants in the governmental core function of elections.

“Election officials violated the law by illegally using absentee drop boxes in Madison during the 2020 and subsequent elections,” Kaardal recounted. “These drop boxes were paid for by the private and partisan Center for Tech and Civic Life, which paid Madison \$50,000 to purchase these absentee ballot drop boxes and pay for witnesses to stand next to them. Despite the fact that this is a violation of Wisconsin’s election law, the

Wisconsin Election Commission dismissed the claim, refusing to acknowledge the Madison election officials’ role in this Zuckerberg funded pay-to-play scheme to control the vote.”

The Center for Tech and Civic Life is a non-profit Chicago-based organization, led and staffed by former Democratic activists and funded by billionaire Facebook founder Mark Zuckerberg and his wife, Priscilla Chan, to influence the 2020 election. Its illegal funding and participation in the election has been the focus of multiple Wisconsin Election Commission complaints and judicial lawsuits.

“There is no question that privately-funded election illegalities, like the CTCL-funded drop boxes, are a blatant violation of Wisconsin election law,” added Kaardal. “If anyone cannot see that as obvious, I refer to the recent Waukesha County Circuit Court decision affirming this, as well as Wisconsin Statutes section 12.11 on election bribery. Wisconsin does not want privately-funded election illegalities.”

“The Dane County Circuit Court should bring order to this situation,” Kaardal declared, “by requiring the Wisconsin Election Commission to do its job and investigate every matter in which a voter files a legitimate complaint, such as this one, which presents more than enough facts to warrant an investigation into election wrongdoing.”

The original complaint brought before the Wisconsin Election Commission is one of several contending that violations of election law and bribery of election officials by

the Center for Tech and Civic Life occurred in Madison. Additional Wisconsin Election Commission complaints filed by Thomas More Society attorneys represent groups of private citizens making election violation allegations against Kenosha, Racine, Green Bay, and Milwaukee.

Read the Complaint Review of Commission Decision filed January 6, 2022, to be heard May 17, 2022, at 1:30 p.m. (Central) in the Wisconsin Circuit Court of Dane County by Thomas More Society attorneys on behalf of Wisconsin voters alleging election violations in *Yiping Liu et al v. Wisconsin Elections Commission* [here](https://thomasmoresociety.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/2-Madison-Summons-Complaint-with-Ex-1-6-22.pdf) [https://thomasmoresociety.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/2-Madison-Summons-Complaint-with-Ex-1-6-22.pdf].

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*The Thomas More Society officially launched its own Election Integrity Initiative in 2022 to preserve and protect Americans' sacred right to vote against those who would use money or other illegal means such as conditional "gift" or "grant" agreements to distort, evade or compromise electoral laws and safeguards.*