

Thomas More Society: Wisconsin's Dane County accused of nursing home voter fraud just “tip of the iceberg”

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*(April 6, 2022 – Madison, Wisconsin)*Walter Jankowski II has been incapacitated since the 1970s when Dane County Circuit Court appointed his son as his guardian. Yet the county's voting records clearly show that the elderly Waunakee, Wisconsin, nursing home resident cast a ballot in the November 2020 Presidential election. On April 6, 2022, Thomas More Society attorneys filed a complaint in the State of Wisconsin before the Elections Commission on behalf of the man's son and guardian.

The complaint names Wisconsin Elections Commission Administrator Meagan Wolfe, Village of Waunakee Clerk Karla Endres, and Dane County Circuit Court Clerk Carlo Esqueda, as violating the Dane County Circuit Court Order by allowing a ward under a “do not vote” guardianship order to register and vote in the November 3, 2020 election, in the April 5, 2022 election and in future elections.

Thomas More Society Special Counsel Erick Kaardal explained the situation.

“The guardianship order declares that Walter Jankowski II lacks the capacity to exercise the right to register to vote or to vote in an election and requires these public officials to prohibit him from doing so,” stated Kaardal, “Yet, according to Wisvote, the state's voting records database, Walter Jankowski II voted in the November 2020 election.”

The Jankowski situation is not an isolated incident, according to the Wisconsin Voter

Alliance's election integrity investigation. The 2020 election produced a slew of allegations of irregularities occurring in Wisconsin nursing homes. There are over 91,000 nursing home residents in the State of Wisconsin. Forty to fifty percent of these institutional residents suffer from varying degrees of dementia, meaning that a significant number of nursing home and assisted living residents are vulnerable to voter manipulation and resulting voter fraud. The ongoing investigation has revealed that hundreds, if not thousands, of residents who suffer from dementia or Alzheimer's voted in the 2020 federal election.

The Wisconsin Election Commission dramatically increased the opportunity for election fraud with the decision to not to send out Special Voting Deputies, who oversee and ensure the integrity of absentee balloting, including that conducted at nursing homes.

"Wisconsin law requires that when a person is judged by a court to be mentally incapable, he or she no longer may vote," noted Kaardal. "But unlike our client here, many family members who act under power of attorney for a loved one in a nursing home may be unaware that a person in a memory care unit is still legally entitled to vote until a court judgment is entered ending that right. Nursing home staffers generally fail to inform families of this requirement to stop fraudulent voting under the name of an incapacitated patient."

Kaardal was quick to point out that this was not the case with the Jankowskis, as the son was aware of the legalities and knew that the Dane County Circuit Court order had prohibited his father from exercising voting rights.

"Yet there he was, recorded as voting in the 2020 election, 48 years after being declared too incapacitated to do so," reported Kaardal. "It's outrageous, it's illegal, and it cannot be tolerated. And based on the findings of Wisconsin Voter Alliance's ongoing election investigation, this is likely just the tip of the iceberg. And to further expose that iceberg, anyone who has witnessed election fraud regarding nursing home residents should report it to wisconsinvoteralliance.com."

View Thomas More Society Special Counsel Erick Kaardal's video interview with Walter Jankowski II and his guardian and son about the voting abuse perpetuated against them by Wisconsin officials [here](https://vimeo.com/696616945) [<https://vimeo.com/696616945>].

Read the Verified Complaint filed on April 6, 2022, in the State of Wisconsin before the Wisconsin Elections Commission by Thomas More Society attorneys, on behalf

of Walter S. Jankowski II by his guardian and son against Wisconsin Election Commission, Dane County, and Village of Waunakee officials, alleging violation of a Dane County Circuit Court “do not vote” guardianship order [here](https://-thomasmoresociety.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/04/Dane-County-WEC-Complaint-Final-to-be-filed-4-6-2022.pdf)[<https://-thomasmoresociety.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/04/Dane-County-WEC-Complaint-Final-to-be-filed-4-6-2022.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.

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