

# Toney campaign: Toney to Kaul: I demand transparency and honesty

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**EAU CLAIRE, Wis.** – Today, Fond du Lac County District Attorney and law enforcement’s choice for Attorney General, Eric Toney, again demanded that Josh Kaul release redacted DOJ organizational charts so that the people of Wisconsin can see how much he’s defunded the police at DOJ.

## **Eric Toney released the following statement:**

“Josh Kaul has never refuted his DCI Administrator Tina Virgil’s statement from March of this year, when she said DCI had only filled 88 of 113 positions, a near 25% vacancy rate. We are less than thirty days away from an election and the people of Wisconsin deserve to know how little their current Attorney General cares about public safety. I demand Josh Kaul to release every redacted organizational chart from DCI and the Criminal Litigation Unit for each year he has been in office so the people of Wisconsin can know just how much he has defunded the police and prosecutors at DOJ.”

## **Dunn County Sheriff Kevin Bygd said:**

“It is unacceptable that Josh Kaul has failed to fill these critical DCI agent and prosecutor positions at DOJ. Local law enforcement across the state, including the Dunn County Sheriff’s Office, rely on DOJ to assist in carrying out their duties. By failing to fill these positions, Josh Kaul has sent a clear message that he does not care about public safety. Now, more than ever, we need an Attorney General who puts the safety of Wisconsinites first. I know that Eric Toney’s number one priority is public safety.”

## **Pepin County Sheriff Joel Wener said:**

“Crime is on the rise across Wisconsin, and the response from Josh Kaul has been to leave DCI agent and prosecutor positions vacant at the DOJ. This is failed leadership at the highest level and has left Wisconsin families less safe. He owes law enforcement and the people of Wisconsin an answer on why he has not prioritized the safety and security of our communities.”

*The following law enforcement officials joined Toney for this afternoon’s press conference:*

- **Dunn County Sheriff Kevin Bygd**
- **Pepin County Sheriff Joel Wener**
- **St. Croix County Sheriff Scott Knudson**
- **Polk County Sheriff Brent Waak**
- **Wisconsin Fraternal Order of Police Representative, Adam Frederick**

[\*This morning’s press conference can be viewed here.\*](#)

*District Attorney Eric Toney has bipartisan endorsements from over 100 Sheriffs, District Attorneys, and Police Chiefs, and has been unanimously endorsed by the Wisconsin Fraternal Order of Police State Lodge, the Milwaukee Police Association, the Racine Police Association, the West Allis Professional Police Association, the Waukesha County Chiefs of Police Association, the Racine Deputy Sheriffs’ Association, the Kenosha Professional Police Association and the Milwaukee Police Supervisors Organization.*