

American Bridge 21st Century: Maria Lazar's record shows she is unfit for Wisconsin's highest court

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Maria Lazar is running for the Wisconsin Supreme Court with a record that shows she is unfit for Wisconsin's highest court. Throughout her career Lazar has repeatedly taken positions and issued rulings that narrowed fundamental rights, favored political power over fair representation, and discounted harm to victims and voters.

Lazar's record is not defined by isolated decisions, but by a consistent pattern of judgment that raises serious concerns about her ability to serve fairly, independently, and responsibly on the state's highest court.

Maria Lazar's Judicial Record:

- [Extreme Abortion Positions](#)
Lazar defended Wisconsin abortion restrictions as an assistant attorney general and described a so-called "heartbeat" abortion ban as a "[middle ground](#)," signaling support for near-total abortion bans that would strip reproductive freedom from Wisconsinites.
- [Anti-Worker Rulings and Advocacy](#)
Lazar defended Wisconsin's Act 10, which gutted collective bargaining rights for public employees, litigating for policies that weakened workers' power and protections.
- [Support for Gerrymandered Maps](#)
Lazar defended Republican-drawn legislative maps that disenfranchised Latino voters, reinforcing extreme partisan gerrymandering and limiting fair representation.

- [Leniency in Sexual Assault Sentencing](#)

As a circuit court judge, Lazar gave a reduced sentence to a former federal agent convicted of sexual assault, citing the “context” of the case — a decision that drew criticism for minimizing harm to victims.

- [Decisions Aiding Election Deniers](#)

Lazar ruled in favor of releasing sensitive voter data to individuals linked to 2020 election denial efforts, a move the Wisconsin Supreme Court later said was designed “to skirt” established procedure.

- [Procedural Concerns Flagged by the Supreme Court](#)

The Wisconsin Supreme Court has explicitly criticized Lazar’s handling of cases for departing from proper judicial process, raising questions about her adherence to legal standards.

Lazar’s record reflects a pattern of decisions that prioritize ideology and political power over rights, accountability, and the rule of law — a pattern incompatible with the responsibilities of serving on Wisconsin’s highest court.

Additional material and analysis of Maria Lazar’s legal advocacy, judicial rulings, and public statements are available in her full research profile on [Research Books](#).