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International Union of Operating Engineers Local 139 Endorses Judge Pedro Colón for Wisconsin Supreme Court

MILWAUKEE – Today, the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 139 announced its endorsement of Judge Pedro Colón for Wisconsin Supreme Court.

“What happens at the Wisconsin Supreme Court reaches our members on the job site and at the kitchen table, from their safety at work to their families’ futures,” said Terry McGowan, President and Business Manager of Operating Engineers Local 139. “That’s why it matters who sits on that court. Judge Colón is experienced, independent, and even-handed, and he understands the people his decisions affect. We are proud to endorse him for the Wisconsin Supreme Court.”

“Every major project in Wisconsin, from highways to hospitals, starts with an operating engineer at the controls,” said Judge Pedro Colón. “It’s skilled, demanding work that keeps this state growing, and I’m honored to have the support of the members of Local 139.”

Judge Pedro Colón is a graduate of Marquette University and the University of Wisconsin Law School. He was the first Latino ever elected to the Wisconsin Legislature, representing Milwaukee in the State Assembly from 1999 to 2010. He was appointed by Governor Jim Doyle to the Milwaukee County Circuit Court in 2010, where he served for 13 years. In 2023, he was appointed to the Wisconsin Court of Appeals by Governor Tony Evers, becoming the first Latino to serve on our state’s appellate court. Colón and his wife, Betty, live on Milwaukee’s south side and have two daughters.

The Wisconsin Supreme Court election will be held on Tuesday, April 6, 2027, with a primary on February 16, 2027, if necessary. For more about Judge Pedro Colón and his campaign, visit www.pedrocolon.com. A headshot of Judge Colón can be downloaded here.

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