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**Waukesha Co. Circuit Court Candidate Laura Lau Says 'Experience Matters, Jack!'** *Crowd gasps at Jack Melvin's remark toward Laura Lau, one citizen demands apology* 

WAUKESHA COUNTY—MARCH 16, 2018—Laura Lau, candidate for Waukesha County Circuit Court Judge, Branch 12, issued the following statement about her opponent, Jack Melvin. During a candidate event last evening, Jack Melvin's comments appear to indicate he does not value judicial experience.

"The lack of judgement Jack Melvin showed by equating judicial experience to 'knowing where the bathrooms are located' seemingly shows his lack of respect for those dedicated to applying the rule of law in Waukesha County," says Laura Lau, Waukesha County Circuit Court Judge Candidate.

"And why would Jack Melvin value experience?" Lau says. "Jack has zero experience presiding over cases in Waukesha County."

"Voters in Waukesha County trust people with strong ties to Waukesha and a strong record of commitment to our community," Lau adds. "My calling to serve Waukesha County runs as deep as my 50 years of living here and the more than 20,000 cases I've presided over in Waukesha County Courts. There are two things to consider when voting for a judge—legal experience and capabilities. Experience matters, Jack."

Last evening, a candidate meet-n-greet was held at Shorehaven Assisted Living Community in Oconomowoc. Candidates for Waukesha County Circuit Court Judge, Branch 12, appeared before about 100 citizens at the event.

Laura Lau, who is a Waukesha County Court Commissioner, and her opponent, Jack Melvin, who oversees gaming and who previously defended insurance companies, shared their backgrounds. Then both candidates were asked audience questions. A citizen asked both candidates to describe what qualities voters should look for in a judicial candidate.

**Laura Lau's Response:** "I believe experience in the court system and dealing with all members of the justice system makes for the most effective judge. I have presided over more than 20,000 cases during my 16 years on the bench and my opponent (Jack Melvin) has only appeared in 1 case in our county."

**Jack Melvin's Response:** "I don't think that knowing where the bathrooms are in Waukesha makes her more qualified to be a judge than me."

There is a significant difference between the candidates on the April 3 ballot for Circuit Court Judge:

- Lau is the only candidate to preside over 20,000 cases in Waukesha County Courts
- Lau is the only candidate presiding over civil, criminal, family, juvenile and probate hearings
- Lau is the only candidate with 16 years presiding over Waukesha County Courts
- Lau is the only candidate applying the Rule of Law in Waukesha County Courts
- Lau is the only candidate working to keep Waukesha County safe from criminals

Lau is also endorsed by Waukesha County Sheriff Eric Severson, former Waukesha County Sheriffs Dan Trawicki and Arnold Moncada, as well as District Attorney Sue Opper, Former Lieutenant Governor Margaret Farrow, Former Waukesha County GOP Chair Don Taylor, and many Police Chiefs and Municipal Leaders and Judges across Waukesha County. Find out who at LauforJudge.com # # #