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April 25, 2011

County Executive Vrakas  
Waukesha County Administration Center  
515 W. Moreland Blvd., Rm. AC320  
Waukesha, WI 53188

Dear Dan:

Please be advised that Wisconsin Statute Sec. 7.06(2) provides you the opportunity to appoint a substitute for me and my deputy if I feel it is in the county's best interest for someone else to run the board of canvassers in the event of a April 5, 2011 election recount. In addition to my being aware of this statute, Kevin Kennedy of the Government Accountability Board reminded me of the appropriateness of this method under the current circumstances.

I believe that there are those who, through innuendo or erroneous facts, would imply that the election in Waukesha County was not fairly run and I believe this is wrong. But I do believe that the citizens of Waukesha County would be best served and there would be a total avoidance of any appearance of impropriety or conflict if an independent third party were appointed by you to run the board of canvassers for a recount in the April 2011 Supreme Court election.

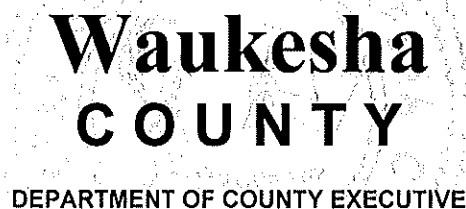
Sincerely,

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Kathy Nickolaus

Cc: Chairman Jim Dwyer  
Tom Farley, Corporation Counsel

**Daniel P. Vrakas**  
County Executive



April 25, 2011

Kathy Nickolaus  
Waukesha County Clerk  
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Waukesha, WI 53188

Dear Ms. Nickolaus:

Pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes Sec. 7.60(2) and having received your correspondence requesting that I appoint another qualified elector to perform your duties for the recount of the April 5, 2011 Wisconsin Supreme Court election, I appoint the Honorable Robert Mawdsley to serve as the Chair of the Board of Canvassers.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Daniel P. Vrakas", is written over a faint, circular official stamp.

Daniel P. Vrakas  
County Executive

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cc: The Kloppenburg for Justice Committee  
Prosser for Supreme Court Committee  
Mr. Kevin Kennedy, Government Accountability Board  
Chairman Jim Dwyer, Waukesha County Board Chair