

Vote "No" on Supreme Court Referendum Question #1

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MADISON - We rarely urge you to vote one way or another at election time.

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For more than 100 years, that post has gone to the most senior member on the court, which is a wise and prudent procedure, which cuts done on infighting and jockeying and politicization. But now, because anti-democratic forces have a vendetta against Chief Justice Shirley Abrahamson, they've put a referendum before you to change that process so that a majority of the justices decide who is chief justice.

This is especially undemocratic because we, the Wisconsin voters, chose by a [wide margin](#) to reelect Chief Justice Abrahamson in 2009.

Now anti-democratic forces essentially want to repeal that vote and take that decision away from us.

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