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A brave voice from those of us who live in rural counties overrun and conquered by our ex-president speaks out on the current climate of fear.

OCONTO FALLS - Running our Wisconsin elections in a timely, accurate, and honest manner requires many hundreds of local, county, and state government clerks, employees, volunteersand even prosecutors, sheriffs, and judges- all dedicated to Truth. Given our rural political landscape, most of these elected officers, employees and volunteers are Republican.



As we head into 2022, numerous audits and judicial decisions by these public servants have declared the 2020 elections overwhelmingly accurate. Those living in reality know that it is extraordinarily difficult to successfully commit voter fraud due to existing Wisconsin voter laws, numerous procedural checks and balances- and the integrity of our town, city, and county clerks. Republicans even threw out the GAB and created the WEC during their last gerrymandered trifecta to ensure their preferred electoral results!

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Those who are gullible to conspiracies should be reminded of a human tendency best articulated by Ben Franklin: "Three can keep a secret if two of them are dead."

While there is no way I could ever be a Republican in today's disturbing climate, I very much appreciate the few who still cling to what Republicans used to be- highly moral, conservative, humble individuals always earnestly seeking to do the right thing.

With that in mind, a big "thank you" to every Republican clerk, judge, prosecutor, sheriff, employee, and volunteer who has been protecting valid election results- and what little is left of our ailing democracy- often despite death threats from their own party!

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