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Subject: access to public records

Members of the Public Records Board and Wisconsin legislators:

The attempt by members of a certain Wisconsin political party to limit public access to their work records is totally out of whack in a free and open society.

What these individuals seem to forget is that they are employees of the people, whose taxes pay their salaries and for all their office perks. A number of them proclaim proudly that they themselves are business owners, ones also dipping into enormous pools of financial campaign support offered by the corporate world.

Yet none of the supporters of limited access to public records would agree that, as business men and women, their workers/staff/employees should be allowed to withhold and hide information from them - especially in order to make secret decisions on how their particular company is managed without "the boss" knowing what is going on. I.e. Certainly not at Wells Fargo or any of its subsidiaries.

As in the "Wizard of Oz," these advocates of doing whatever they do in the shadows are trying to tell we taxpayers to "pay no attention to that man behind the curtain." This raises the serious question: What mischief are these taxpayer employees (legislators and appointed boards) trying hide from us.

But at least you are revisiting this issue on Monday. Please support the taxpayers who have hired (voted for) Wisconsin's legislators. We have every right to know that our employees are doing.

Thank you.

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