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Dear Judge Screnock and the Screnock campaign:

I have made several efforts, by email and phone, to arrange a few minutes to talk with you for a story I am writing on the Supreme Court race for Isthmus, the weekly newspaper of Madison. To date, I have received no response. To facilitate this process, I am putting my questions in writing, and welcoming even written responses. I hope you can respond, either by arranging an interview or answering my questions via email.

My practical deadline is this coming Friday, March 9, so there is plenty of time for you to provide responses.

1. You have referred to Judge Dallet as a "liberal activist judge." Can you please provide some examples of times when she has acted like an activist in her role as a judge?
2. In 2015, the USA-TODAY NETWORK-Wisconsin [identified](#) Judge Dallet as being one of the very toughest sentencers in the state. Doesn't that undercut the claims made by the state Republican Party that she is soft on crime?
3. What about your own record on sentencing? Can you explain why you have given far less than the maximum sentences on several cases involving sexual assaults of children?
4. As an attorney, you represented companies engaged in environmentally disruptive activities including frac-sand mining and high-capacity wells. What assurances can you give that you will not continue to side with polluters on cases that come before the Wisconsin Supreme Court?
5. Judge Dallet has accused the state Supreme Court's conservative majority of engaging in judicial activism when it upheld Act 10 based on what she says was an incorrect analysis of the law and more recently when it ruled against a labor union based on speculation that was not backed up by anything in the record. Do you think judicial activism is OK when conservatives do it?
6. Did your campaign know in advance that outside groups including WMC planned to make substantial ad buys on your behalf, as Dallet has suggested? Have you coordinated with these outside groups?
7. During the March 2 debate, Judge Dallet suggested that the NRA's representation to its members that you had "vowed to protect your firearm freedom" may have been based on communications other than the email response that you released. Did you have other communications with the group that provided the basis for its statement?
8. Is your reluctance to answer questions about your statements and record a sign that you are running a stealth campaign meant to conceal your extreme ideology and/or lack of factual substantiation for your campaign comments?

I await your responses. Thank you for your time and consideration.

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