



Revised Statement from Epic Management

June 27, 2008

The statement issued by Epic Management had equal representation from both sides of the political spectrum. Both sides believe that integrity is needed in the election of our Supreme Court justices and that it was absent in the recent election. Attached are the news reports about the election.

Our company is, and always has been, politically neutral—we do not as a company support or endorse any particular party or candidate. Individuals in our organization readily support candidates and causes of their choices.

As noted in our June 25th statement, we believe business exists to support society. When instead business undermines society's basic principles, then we each choose whether or not to tolerate it. The process of selecting judges for the Wisconsin Supreme Court should be of the highest integrity.

Newspapers, magazines, television and radio news stories, local as well as national, reported that this year's Wisconsin Supreme Court election was a travesty of ethics and many of the analyses pointed to WMC as a responsible party. We believe that what we tolerate is what we stand for, and as corporate citizens, we stand for the preservation of the foundation of the judicial system.

Our decision-making process was thoughtful and deliberate. We discussed options with multiple management teams at Epic. It's important to note that members of Epic management that participated in our decision represented all political persuasions - from conservative to liberal, and everywhere in between.

We then had discussions with multiple leaders from various industries around Dane County, representing different political backgrounds, to assess the accuracy of the media reports. After careful consideration, we made a decision to try to work only with vendors that do not support WMC with its current management. It was a true bipartisan decision.

The outcome of the election was never the issue. The issue was the process, which lacked integrity. This is an ethical decision, not a political decision.