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Justice Was Never an Option

Supervisor Ryan Clancy statement on Kyle Rittenhouse verdict

MILWAUKEE – Today a Kenosha County jury found [Kyle Rittenhouse](#) not guilty on counts of intentional, reckless, and attempted homicide and reckless endangerment.

County Supervisor Ryan Clancy released the following statement on the decision:

“Today’s verdict in the Rittenhouse case is what we expected: an absence of justice. But justice wasn’t an option today, regardless of the opinion the jury brought back.

“I was in Kenosha that night. In response to reports that white supremacists had put out public, explicit calls on social media to kill protesters, law enforcement trained their weapons not at those people making the threats, but on the protesters themselves. I watched as independent observers and media were tear-gassed, and as protesters justifiably upset about yet another police shooting were driven from a public space, kettled, hit with pepper rounds, gassed, and funneled towards where three would be shot and two would be killed.

“This act of violence did not begin with Rittenhouse. It began with the curfew, the horrific police response which saw him as a “friendly,” and the system which went to great lengths to protect him, and itself, from accountability.

“Justice was never an option. We must change the system.”

Supervisor Clancy was elected to the County Board in 2020 and is currently serving his first term as the Supervisor for the 4th District.

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