

WAUKESHA MAYORAL CANDIDATE STATE REPRESENTATIVE SCOTT ALLEN

A Republican member of the Wisconsin State Assembly representing the 82nd District since 2025, Scott Allen is a candidate for Waukesha mayor in 2026. Allen also previously represented the 97th Assembly district from 2015 to 2025. In 2024 he was re-elected with about 57% of the vote against a Democratic challenger in the new District 82. In the Legislature he is a member of the following committees: Member, Colleges and Universities Committee, Financial Institutions Committee, Housing and Real Estate Committee, Public Benefit Reform Committee, State and Federal Relations Committee (Chair), and the Urban Revitalization Committee. Allen was born in 1965 in Racine, Wisconsin, and lives in Waukesha with his wife Angila; they have two children. Allen has [pledged as](#) mayor to: keep Waukesha affordable and financially solvent; maintain public safety; preserve and enhance the charm; and support eco-friendly practices that lead to long-term viability.

Key Findings:

Allen publicly questioned the 2020 election and has raised issues about election security and legitimacy in Wisconsin. [Democracy Docket called Allen](#) “an assembly member who publicly questioned the 2020 election results...” “When ‘the ends justify the means’ leads to dishonesty, we lose our freedom,” [Allen wrote on Facebook](#) on November 6, 2020. Days later, on November 11, 2020, [Allen wrote](#) that “the result of any election, including the 2020 Presidential Election, needs to be trusted... Election integrity and confidence in the accuracy of results are necessary to continue as the world’s finest example in self-governance. Both Republicans and Democrats should welcome the opportunity to demonstrate that our election systems are secure... There are weeks of time between the election and the certification... We want to make sure that the reported election results for the State of Wisconsin are accurate and that every legal vote has been counted... We all need to put speculation aside and allow the process to play out... Larger states such as Texas and Florida were able to canvass far more quickly. Since no one is questioning the results of those states, their processes might be worthy of emulation.” In 2021, Allen introduced Assembly Resolution 3, which called for the Wisconsin State Assembly to address issues related to election law. According to a [Legis Wisconsin](#) article, “The resolution said the chamber should prioritize taking up legislation ‘crafted to ensure civil officers follow the law as written.’ Conservative websites and social media users are misrepresenting the resolution as a last-chance opportunity for Trump in the United States presidential election.” Allen has also introduced bills to add watermarks to absentee ballots and require photo ID for voting in Wisconsin elections.

Allen has taken a number of provocative rightwing positions on issues of equality and social justice. “We... need to protect our kids from the harmful ideologies of the left that seeks to sexualize our kids, groom them to idolize themselves, and would encourage kids to do irreversible harm to their bodies instead of providing real help,” Allen has said. In 2019, Allen introduced a Black History Month resolution that primarily honored white abolitionists and Underground Railroad participants alongside a few enslaved people. According to an article in the [Guardian](#), “Allen circulated a resolution recognizing 10 historical figures for celebration. But six of those who’d been active in Wisconsin’s Underground Railroad, helping southern slaves escape to freedom turned out to be white, according to the [State Journal](#). The choice provoked a backlash from local black lawmakers, who said Allen circumvented the state’s legislature’s black caucus from choosing how to honor the contributions of black Americans.” Allen has criticized the flying of the Gay Pride flag over the Wisconsin Capitol during LGBT Pride Month; he told the AP that the flag “advocates a behavior or lifestyle that some Wisconsin residents may not condone. Therefore, it is divisive.” In 2023, Allen wrote legislation that penalized educators for exposing children to “obscene” materials. According to an article in the [Wisconsin Examiner](#), “If

passed, the bill would create a new class of felons — teachers and library staff who are found to have provided students with inappropriate books or other media.”

Allen has emphasized creativity, collaboration, and candor in his mayoral campaign. According to his [campaign website](#), “The financial forecast for the City of Waukesha shows a projected deficit by 2028 or 2029 of \$8 million. This is based on projected revenue growth as well as inflating current spending. Future opportunities for green field development are very limited due to the mature nature of Waukesha and geographic constraints. Redevelopment in built environments is always challenging. At the same time, we have experienced rapid housing price inflation, so we need to be mindful of improving affordability and keeping property taxes manageable. Innovation and insight will be essential to navigating our path forward. Communication and collaboration will be necessary for our community to find consensus around solutions. Waukesha needs a leader to facilitate these conversations.” Allen has stated that “together, we can construct a growth plan that makes financial sustainability inevitable.”

BACKGROUND

Elections and Voter Issues

Allen made a post on Facebook publicly questioning questioned the results of the 2020 election. “Among the scores of other election-denying state lawmakers on the ballot in November is Scott Allen, an assembly member who publicly questioned the 2020 election results, and state Sen. Patrick Testin, who posted on Facebook in 2021 that there was “irrefutable evidence of fraud in the 2020 election.” “[Democracy Docket, [9/13/24](#)].

On January 5, 2021, Allen introduced an Assembly resolution listing a series of alleged 2020 election law violations—many paralleling claims in the Trump campaign’s unsuccessful lawsuit. “On Monday, Scott Allen, a Republican assemblyman from Waukesha, Wisconsin, introduced 2021 Assembly Resolution 3 calling for the Wisconsin State Assembly to address issues related to election law. The resolution said the chamber should prioritize taking up legislation “crafted to ensure civil officers follow the law as written.” Conservative websites and social media users are misrepresenting the resolution as a last-chance opportunity for Trump in the United States presidential election.” [Legis Wisconsin, AP News, [1/5/21](#)].

Rep. Scott Allen introduced a bill to add watermarks to absentee ballots. “The bill, introduced by Rep. Scott Allen (R-Waukesha) and Sen. Romaine Quinn (R-Cameron), comes as Republicans have increasingly focused on Wisconsin’s absentee ballot process as a potential source of election wrongdoing in the years since President Donald Trump’s false allegations that the 2020 election was stolen. There’s no evidence that the copying of ballots is a widespread problem in Wisconsin, yet the voting method has remained relevant in the eyes of Republicans due to two incidents in which people, including a deputy at the Milwaukee Elections Commission, were charged with crimes for ordering other people’s absentee ballots. ‘Absentee ballots, as allowed under current Wisconsin law, are extremely convenient, but they are vulnerable to fraud. Now, more than ever, our democracy relies on our citizens having faith in our election process,’ Allen and Quinn wrote in the legislation’s co-sponsorship memo. “This bill would add an extra layer of security for mail-in ballots by requiring absentee ballots to have watermarks on them so copies cannot be made. This is much like current federal law that puts watermarks on U.S. currency to prevent counterfeiting.” [Wisconsin Examiner, [7/18/23](#)]

In 2025 Allen sponsored a bill to require Photo ID for all elections. “To create section 1m of article III of the constitution; Relating to requiring photographic identification to vote in any election.”
[Legiscan, accessed [1/5/25](#)]

Education

University of Southern California

Master, Public Administration, Urban Planning
1989 – 1992

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

BA, Political Science, Economics
1986 – 1989

[LinkedIn, accessed [1/5/25](#)]

Professional Career

Wisconsin State Assembly 82nd District (Formerly 97th)

State Legislator 2015- Present

Current committees: Colleges and Universities Committee, Financial Institutions Committee, Housing and Real Estate Committee, Public Benefit Reform Committee, State and Federal Relations Committee (Chair), and the Urban Revitalization Committee.

Ballotpedia, accessed, [1/5/26](#)]

eXp Realty, LLC · Self-employed

Realtor, Jan 2020 - Present

Minuteman Press Co-Owner

Aug 2017 - Present · Brookfield, WI

Bright Future Sales Coaching LLC · Freelance

Oct 2014 - Dec 2024, Waukesha, WI

Shorewest, REALTORS®

Broker Associate, Sep 2014 - Aug 2016

Sales Director, Jun 2008 - Sep 2014

Board Member - Community Development Block Grant

Waukesha County, 2010 - 2014

Greater Milwaukee Association of Realtors

Trustee - Concerned Realtors Political Action Committee, 2009 - 2014

Board Director, Dec 2009 - Dec 2012

Wisconsin Realtors Association

Trustee - Realtors Political Action Committee, 2009 - 2011

First Realty GMAC

Sales Manager, May 2005 - May 2008

Waukesha Civic Theatre

President, 2005 – 2008

Nexus Builders Group/CedarMill Homes

Vice President of Marketing and Sales, May 2000 - May 2005

Shorewest Realtors

Sales Associate, Jun 1993 - May 2000

Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority

Risk Management Analyst, 1991 – 1993

[LinkedIn, accessed [1/5/25](#)]

Electoral History

In 2024 Allen defeated democratic opposition Kevin Reily by roughly 5,000 votes with 57.2% of the vote. [Ballotpedia, accessed [1/5/26](#)]

In 2020 Allen defeated Democratic opposition Aaron Perry by roughly 6,000 votes with 59.2% of the vote. [Ballotpedia, accessed [1/5/26](#)]

Allen ran unopposed in 2016, 2018, and 2022. [Ballotpedia, accessed [1/5/26](#)]

State Assembly District 82 Rep. Scott Allen announced candidacy for Waukesha mayor. “Scott Allen, a five-term representative in the state Assembly, has become the first candidate to announce he will seek Waukesha's mayoral seat in the spring 2026 election. The surprise announcement on May 8 at Dady-Oh’s Restaurant in downtown Waukesha carried with it concerns Allen says are evident in the city's negative budget outlook — an issue he said he can address with "creativity and candor" and an academic background suited to the purpose.” [Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, [5/8/25](#)]

Allen Co-Authored a bill that would require homeless sex offenders to wear a GPS ankle monitor. “Current law requires all sex offender registrants to provide an address, but only those convicted of certain offenses must wear a GPS ankle monitor. Under proposed Senate Bill 620, registrants who are unable to provide a permanent address would be required to wear a GPS device monitored by the Wisconsin Department of Corrections. Once housing is secured and reported, the tracking requirement would end. Rep. Scott Allen, R-Waukesha, a co-author of the bill, described the issue as both practical and personal for his district. "Monitoring the whereabouts of released sex offenders is important for the safety of our community, particularly our children. This is true even for those who have no permanent address," he said.” [The Freeman, 2/17/2026]

Military Experience

Allen served in the US Army reserves for 6 years after finishing high school. “As a graduating senior in high school, Scott volunteered for the United States Army Reserve. During his 6-year service,

he was promoted to Sergeant and earned the Wisconsin Reserve Military Achievement Award.” [Allen for Wisconsin, accessed [1/5/26](#)]

Philosophy

Economy

Allen: “Inflation is a thief that steals from everyone but impacts the working poor the most. The policies of Biden and Evers have exacerbated and accelerated inflation.” “Inflation is a thief that steals from everyone but impacts the working poor the most. The policies of Biden and Evers have exacerbated and accelerated inflation. Now the Federal Reserve has no choice but to restrict monetary supply, which means that it costs more money to borrow. High-interest rates hinder investment and restrict our economic growth. We cannot spend our way to prosperity. We cannot experiment with people’s livelihoods because some people have environmental or social agendas. We need common sense solutions including regulatory reduction and permanent tax relief for Wisconsin to remain competitive. We need to give our long-term residents reasons to stay in Wisconsin and we need to give other people reasons to relocate to Wisconsin. [Allen for Wisconsin, accessed, [1/5/26](#)]

Education Reform

Allen: “Students win when they and their parents are given the choice of schools which prioritize learning and excellence over politics and the status quo.” “If we want to see an end to racial disparities, we need to ensure the best possible education for students in Wisconsin. This will require strategic funding of evidence-based early childhood education initiatives as well as supporting expanded school choice opportunities. Students win when they and their parents are given the choice of schools which prioritize learning and excellence over politics and the status quo. Schools also need to support parents in raising their kids. Parents need to be meaningfully involved and aware of what their kids are learning. Only when schools see parents as allies and not enemies will students thrive.” [Allen for Wisconsin, accessed, [1/5/26](#)]

Abortion

Allen: “If we want to be a state that is known for social justice, then we must protect the lives of those who have no voice.” “Every human being is made in the image of God and has inherent value and dignity. The right of every human to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness must be protected. This begins from the moment of conception. If we want to be a state that is known for social justice, then we must protect the lives of those who have no voice. The people of Wisconsin deserve a robust public debate about life and abortion.” [Allen for Wisconsin, accessed, [1/5/26](#)]

Racial Disparity

Allen: “We conservatives have too long ignored the problems or treated them with kid gloves, being afraid of potential criticism. Instead, we have left them to be addressed by urban liberals who have only made matters worse.” “It is time for conservatives to engage in eradicating racial disparity in our state in terms of education, employment, and economics. The disparity has created a cultural chasm and generations of dependency, and it threatens to destroy our common bond as Americans. The cancer of disparity will break the fabric of who we are as a nation, and it will break us financially. We conservatives have too long ignored the problems or treated them with kid gloves, being afraid of potential criticism. Instead, we have left them to be addressed by urban liberals who have only

made matters worse. Let us commit to leveling the education playing field, growing employment opportunities, and strengthening families. Wisconsin can lead the nation and provide an outstanding example.” [Allen for Wisconsin, accessed [1/5/26](#)]

Guns

Allen posted a statement on Facebook highlighting his endorsement from the NRA. “Protecting fundamental rights is paramount. Happy to have the NRA endorsement yet again for 2020.” [Facebook, [10/19/20](#)]

GOP CONTRIBUTIONS

Allen contributed to three Republicans in 2024, including Trump’s Never Surrender PAC [FEC, [11/13/2025](#)]

VULNERABILITIES AND ADVERSE FINDINGS OF NOTE

Financial and Tax

No adverse financial or tax findings of note. [Nexis, Smartlinx Comprehensive Person Report, accessed 1/5/26]

Legal

No adverse legal findings of note. [Nexis, Smartlinx Comprehensive Person Report, accessed 1/5/26]

Sex Offender Status

No adverse findings of note. [Department of Justice, Scott Allen, National Sex Offender Registry Search, accessed 1/5/26]

Social Media

Allen maintained a personal [Facebook](#) page and a campaign [Facebook](#).

Black History Month

In late 2019 Allen introduced his own Black History Month resolution that primarily honored white abolitionists and Underground Railroad participants alongside a few enslaved people. “Wisconsin lawmakers are locked in a dispute over who qualifies to be honored during February’s Black History Month after a senior Republican suggested a list where the majority of named picks were white. Republican state senator Scott Allen circulated a resolution recognizing 10 historical figures for celebration. But six of those who’d been active in Wisconsin’s Underground Railroad, helping southern slaves escape to freedom turned out to be white, according to the State Journal. The choice provoked a backlash from local black lawmakers, who said Allen circumvented the state’s legislature’s black caucus from choosing how to honor the contributions of black Americans.” [The Guardian, [12/31/19](#)]

LGBTQ+ Discrimination

In June 2019, Allen criticized flying the Gay Pride flag over the Wisconsin capitol for LGBT Pride Month. He tweeted, "Is this any more appropriate than erecting the Christian flag over the Capitol?" In an interview with the Associated Press, he stated, the flag "advocates a behavior or lifestyle that some Wisconsin residents may not condone. Therefore, it is divisive" [HuffPost, [6/7/19](#)]

Allen wrote legislation that targeted transgender youth. "Rep. Scott Allen (R-Waukesha) released the 'Help Not Harm Act,' a bill designed to protect minors from making life-altering, irreversible decisions that cause mental and bodily harm. 'Children who struggle with gender identity deserve help, not harm,' said Rep. Allen." [Wisconsin Politics, [2/25/25](#)].

Allen changed his profile picture in June 2020 to "save girls sports." [Facebook, [6/22/20](#)]

In 2023 Allen and a fellow Republican legislator wrote legislation that penalized educators for exposing children to 'obscene' materials. "Republican legislative proposal to penalize educators for exposing children to obscene materials comes out of a wider effort to restrict what K-12 students can see or read. The bill had its day on Tuesday before the Republican-led Assembly Committee on Education. AB-308 would remove protections for school and library staff against being prosecuted for providing "obscene" materials to minors. If passed, the bill would create a new class of felons — teachers and library staff who are found to have provided students with inappropriate books or other media. [Wisconsin Examiner, [12/08/23](#)]

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