

FROM THE DESK OF MAC BROWN



May 24, 2023

Governor Andy Beshear
Office of the Governor
700 Capitol Avenue, Suite 100
Frankfort, KY 40601

Dear Governor Beshear,

As the Chair of the Republican Party of Kentucky, I am writing to remind you of your legal obligation as the Governor to uphold the law and ensure that board appointments reflect the voter registration of our citizens.

An article recently published in the Courier Journal revealed some troubling news that you are not following the law and suggested you might be playing politics with the Kentucky Board of Education. The report said you've neglected to fill vacancies on the Kentucky Board of Education with qualified individuals from the Republican Party, even though Republicans outpaced Democrats in voter registration last year.

This is not the first time this has happened. During your father's administration, the political and demographic balance was compromised in numerous boards and commissions, including the University of Louisville's Board of Trustees. It is essential to learn from past mistakes and ensure that history does not repeat itself.

Governor Beshear, I ask you to set aside partisanship and abide by the law. It is crucial that you fulfill your legal obligation to make appointments that align with the voter registration of our state, instead of playing politics with a board that oversees the education of our children.

I respectfully request you comply with the law by May 31. I'd be happy to send you a list of Republicans if you're having trouble finding one.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I look forward to seeing the necessary steps taken to rectify the current imbalance within the Kentucky Board of Education.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mac".

Mac Brown
Chair, Republican Party of Kentucky