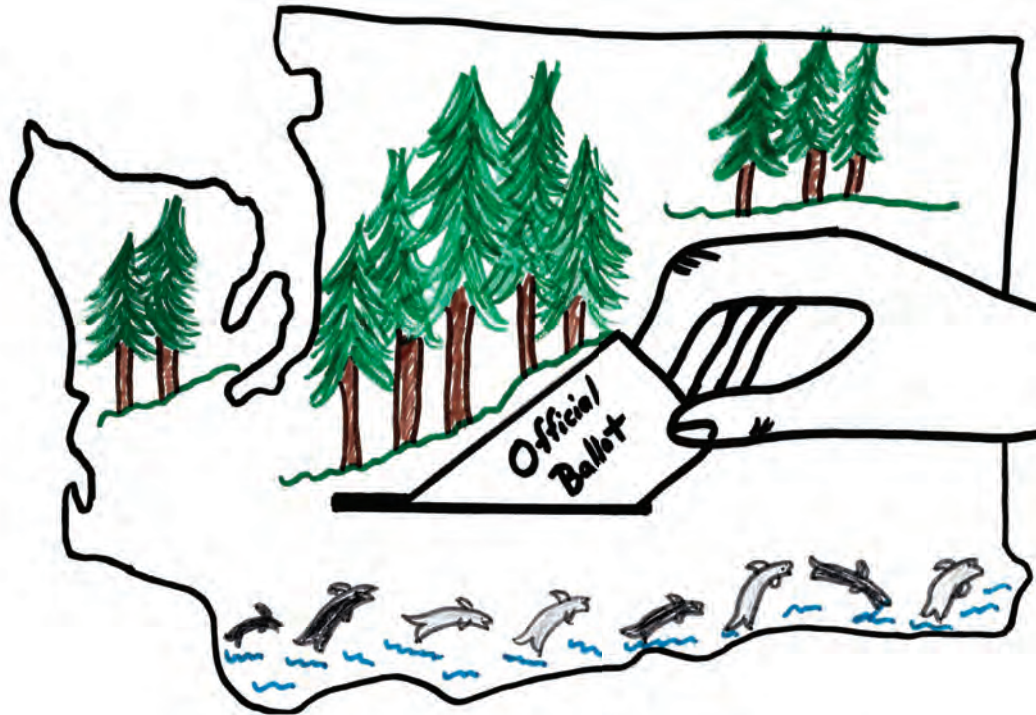


# VOTERS' PAMPHLET

August 19, 2008 Primary



**I Vote, I Count**

## Washington's New Top 2 Primary

**Washington has a new primary.** You do not have to pick a party. In each race, you may vote for any one of the candidates listed. The two candidates who receive the most votes in the August Primary will advance to the November General Election.

Each candidate for partisan office may state a political party that he or she prefers. A candidate's preference does not imply that the candidate is nominated or endorsed by the party, or that the party approves of or associates with that candidate. Look inside for more about the Top 2 Primary.



## Introduction to the 2008 Primary Voters' Pamphlet

### *It's your choice ... it's your voice.*

Congratulations on exercising your privilege and responsibility to take part in Washington's elections – never more important than in this watershed 2008 election year. Our new Top 2 Primary on August 19 will give you maximum choice, allowing you the independence and freedom to “vote for the person, not the party.”

When the courts threw out our cherished “blanket primary,” we immediately proposed a Top 2 system as a way to protect the freedom of citizens to vote for their favorite in each office. This new system was backed by the Legislature and strongly approved by the state voters in 2004 as the People's Choice Initiative, and we are pleased that the U.S. Supreme Court has upheld your rights.

We think you will like this easy, clear way of voting for your favorite candidate. It's as simple as this: You get to choose your favorite candidate for each office on the ballot, without regard to political preference. You are no longer restricted by the old “pick-a-party” system.

The Top 2 vote-getters for each office will advance to the November general election.

One new twist: Our new voter-approved primary no longer nominates a finalist from each major party, but rather sends the two most popular candidates forward for each office. It's a winnowing election to narrow the field. Your candidates have listed the party they prefer, but that doesn't mean the party endorses or affiliates with them. Some candidates prefer major parties, some prefer minor parties and some express no party preference. All have a chance to advance to the November ballot.

We believe you will enjoy this new way of voting. It's simple, easy and follows the longtime Washington tradition of wide-open voting. We invite you to visit [www.vote.wa.gov](http://www.vote.wa.gov) for more information on your Top 2 Primary.

Sincerely,



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sam Reed".

SAM REED  
Secretary of State

Dear King County voter:

A lot has changed since the last presidential election in 2004. Since then, King County Elections has worked tirelessly to implement more than 300 reforms and recommendations resulting from outside audits, election experts, and the innovative work of elections staff. With these changes and 19 successful elections behind us, King County is ready and energized for the August 19 primary. Whether you are a voter, candidate running for office or an elected official, everyone with a stake in our system of democracy is well served by the safeguards in place to protect every vote.

If you have not voted since 2004, I encourage you to read the information in this Voters' Pamphlet to make sure you are prepared to vote your ballot. If you are a poll voter, be sure to verify the location of your polling place before you vote on August 19, as many polling places have changed. You can do this on our Web site at [www.kingcounty.gov/elections](http://www.kingcounty.gov/elections) or by calling (206) 296-VOTE.

If you are a voter with a disability or need assistance, you now have the choice to cast your vote on a standard paper ballot or on an accessible voting unit. Federal law requires this new technology at every polling place across America to help people with disabilities vote a truly secret ballot. Accessible voting is available in person at King County Elections Renton office starting July 30.

Voters will have another secure option to return their absentee ballot in the primary. If you vote by mail, you will have the option of returning your ballot packet by mail, at a secured ballot drop box, or at your neighborhood polling place on Election Day. You can find a list of the seven ballot drop box locations inside this pamphlet.

Remember, every vote does make a difference, be sure to vote Tuesday, August 19.

Sincerely,



A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sherril Huff".

SHERRIL HUFF  
Director  
King County Elections

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*Congratulations to 4th grader Gabriella Spring of Covington whose artwork is displayed on the cover of this Voters' Pamphlet.*

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**Secretary of State Voter Information Hotline (800) 448-4881**

**TDD/TTY Hotline for the hearing or speech impaired (800) 422-8683**

**Visit our online voters' guide at [www.vote.wa.gov](http://www.vote.wa.gov)**

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## Help America Vote Act Information

Under Section 402(a)(2) of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (HAVA), P.L. 107-252 and Washington Administrative Code, Chapter 434-263, any person who believes that a violation of any provision of Title III of HAVA has occurred, is occurring, or is about to occur, may file a complaint with the Office of the Secretary of State. A complaint form can be found at [www.secstate.wa.gov/elections/reform\\_federal.aspx](http://www.secstate.wa.gov/elections/reform_federal.aspx) or a letter containing the following information will be considered an acceptable complaint.

### A. Person making complaint

Name, address, city, state, ZIP, county, and home and work phone numbers

### B. Description of the alleged violation

Please identify:

1. The facts of the alleged violation;
2. Witnesses, if any, and contact information if you have it;
3. Date and time you became aware of the alleged violation;
4. Location where the alleged violation occurred;
5. Who is responsible for the alleged violation; and
6. Other information that you think will be helpful in resolving your complaint.

All complaints must be **notarized** and filed with the Office of the Secretary of State no later than 30 days after the certification of the election. Send complaint to: Secretary of State, Elections Division, PO Box 40229, Olympia, WA 98504-0229.

## Address Confidentiality Program

If you are a victim of domestic violence, sexual assault, trafficking, or stalking who has chosen not to register to vote because you are afraid your perpetrator will track you down through voter registration records, the Office of the Secretary of State has a program that might be able to help you. The Address Confidentiality Program (ACP) works together with community domestic violence and sexual assault programs in an effort to keep crime victims safer. The ACP provides participants with a substitute mailing address that can be used when the victim conducts business with state or local government agencies. The ACP also provides participants with the option of confidential voter registration. All ACP participants must be referred to the program by a local domestic violence or sexual assault advocate who can help develop a comprehensive safety plan.

### Need More Information?

For more information about the ACP and the phone number of victim resources in your community, call the ACP toll-free at (800) 822-1065, TDD/TTY at (800) 664-9677 or visit [www.secstate.wa.gov/acp](http://www.secstate.wa.gov/acp).



Announcing Washington State's NEW

# Top 2 Primary

## Washington State has a new Top 2 Primary!

The Primary on August 19, 2008, will be the first time Washington State voters use the Top 2 Primary.

### What is "party preference?"

Each candidate for partisan office may state a political party that he or she prefers.

A candidate's preference does not imply that the candidate is nominated or endorsed by the party, or that the party approves of or associates with that candidate.

Candidates may choose not to state a political party preference.

### Sample ballot:

State of Washington Partisan Office
Legislative Position
Juanita Fernandez (Prefers Democratic Party)
Jamal Carver (Prefers Republican Party)
Joe Smith (States No Party Preference)



### No more Pick-a-Party

You do not have to pick a party. You may vote for **any** one of the candidates listed, regardless of the candidate's stated party preference.

### How the Top 2 Primary works

In each race, the two candidates who receive the most votes in the August Primary will advance to the November General Election.

**NOTE:** It is possible that the two candidates advancing to the General Election in a race will prefer the same party.

### Why Washington has a Top 2 Primary

In 2004, Initiative 872 proposed a Top 2 Primary system. Washington voters overwhelmingly approved the Top 2 Primary, but in 2005, the United States District Court ruled that it was unconstitutional. The United States Supreme Court overturned the lower court's ruling on March 18, 2008.



### Need more information?

For more information on Washington State's Top 2 Primary, call the Office of the Secretary of State Voter Information Hotline at (800) 448-4881, TDD/TTY at (800) 422-8683, or visit [www.vote.wa.gov](http://www.vote.wa.gov).

# Voting in Washington State

## Voter Qualifications

To register to vote, you must be:

- A citizen of the United States;
- A legal resident of Washington State;
- At least 18 years old by Election Day; and
- If you have been convicted of a felony in Washington, another state, or in federal court, you lose your right to vote in Washington State until your civil rights are restored.

In Washington State, you do not declare political party membership when you register to vote.

## Registration Deadlines

While you may register to vote at any time, keep in mind that there are registration deadlines prior to each election. You must be registered at least 30 days before an election if you register by mail or online. If you are a new voter in Washington State, you may register in person at your county elections department up to 15 days before an election.

The phone number and address of your county elections department are located in the back of this pamphlet.

## How to Register to Vote

Forms are available on the Internet at [www.vote.wa.gov](http://www.vote.wa.gov) or at your county elections department, public libraries, schools, and other government offices. You may also request a form through the State Voter Information Hotline. (See Services and Additional Assistance on this page.)

## Keep Your Voter Registration Up-to-Date

If your voter registration record does not contain your *current* name or address, you may not be able to vote. You can use the online or mail-in voter registration form to let your county elections department know when you move or change your name. Update your record online or download a form at [www.vote.wa.gov](http://www.vote.wa.gov). You must re-register or transfer your registration at least **30 days** before the election to be eligible to vote in your new precinct.

## Absentee Ballots

Absentee ballot requests must be made to your county elections department (not the Secretary of State). No absentee ballots are issued on Election Day except to a registered voter who is a resident of a health care facility. A ballot may be requested in person, by phone, mail, electronically or by a member of your immediate family as early as **90 days** before an election.

You may also apply in writing to **automatically** receive an absentee ballot before each election. An absentee ballot request form is in this pamphlet. ***If you have already requested an absentee ballot or have a permanent request for a ballot on file, please do not submit another application.***

You will receive your absentee or mail-in ballot approximately 14 days prior to the election. Upon receipt, vote your ballot. ***Please do not*** attempt to vote again at your polling location. Absentee and mail-in ballots must be signed and postmarked or delivered to your county elections department **on or before** Election Day.

## Election Dates and Poll Hours

The August Primary is August 19, 2008. Polling place hours in King and Pierce Counties are 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

## Services and Additional Assistance

Contact your county elections department for help with voting your ballot or finding your polling location. The phone number and address of your county elections department is located in the back of this pamphlet.

Contact the Office of the Secretary of State for:

- Voters' Pamphlets in other formats (Braille, audio cassette, large print) or languages (Spanish, Chinese);
- Lists of initiatives and referenda; and
- Voter registration, voting, and absentee ballot information.

This information is also available at [www.vote.wa.gov](http://www.vote.wa.gov) or call the Voter Information Hotline, (800) 448-4881 (TDD/TTY for the hearing- or speech-impaired only is (800) 422-8683).



## ***Already registered? Check online to be sure!***

**Go to [www.vote.wa.gov](http://www.vote.wa.gov) and click on the MyVote logo**

Did you know that if you are already registered to vote, you should submit a new voter registration form when you move or change your name? Your previous voter registration may still be active!

Now you may view your personalized voting information using MyVote. Review your sample ballot, your voting history, ballot drop-off locations and poll sites, and change your address.

# Register to Vote

[www.vote.wa.gov](http://www.vote.wa.gov)

Choose one of these easy options:

## Online

Go to [www.vote.wa.gov](http://www.vote.wa.gov) to register online up to 30 days before an election. It's fast, easy and secure. All you need is a Washington State ID or driver's license.

## By Mail

Forms are available to download and print on the Internet at [www.vote.wa.gov](http://www.vote.wa.gov) or at your county elections department, public libraries, schools, and other government offices. Mail your form at least 30 days before an election.

## In Person

If you are a new voter in Washington State, you may register in person up to 15 days before an election at your county elections department. Contact information for your county elections department is located in the back of this pamphlet.



## Say what?

### Be smart. [Know your election terms.]

#### Primary

A process by which a pool of candidates for public office is reduced to the top contenders. In Washington State, the statewide Primary occurs on the third Tuesday of August.

#### Top 2 Primary

A type of Primary in which the two candidates who receive the most votes in a race advance to the General Election, regardless of the candidates' stated party preferences. This primary system is used in nonpartisan races by local governments in Washington State, but August 19, 2008 will be the state's first time using the Top 2 Primary in partisan races.

#### Candidate

Any voter registered in Washington State may run as a candidate for public office. Each candidate for partisan office may state a political party that he or she prefers.

#### Party preference

A candidate's stated preference does not imply that the candidate is nominated or endorsed by the party, or that the party approves of or associates with that candidate.

#### Nominee

A candidate who has been chosen to represent a party. Nominees will not be differentiated from other candidates on the ballot.

#### Endorsement

A public declaration of support for a candidate.

#### Partisan office

A public office for which a candidate may state a preference for a political party and have that preference listed on the ballot.

#### General Election

The General Election determines which remaining candidates will be voted into office. In the United States, Election Day is the first Tuesday after the first Monday of November. The next General Election will be **November 4, 2008.**

# *Public Access to Campaign Spending Reports*

## **Contributions to Candidates and Political Committees**

No person may make contributions to a state legislative candidate that exceed \$800 per election in which the candidate's name is on the ballot. Contributions to state executive candidates may not exceed \$1,600 in the primary and \$1,600 in the general election. A person may give unlimited funds to the exempt activities account of a political party, to ballot issue committees, or to other political committees. During the 21 days before the general election, however, a person may contribute no more than \$5,000 to a local or judicial office candidate, political party, or other political committee. Contributions from corporations, unions, businesses, associations, and similar organizations are permitted, subject to limits and other restrictions.

## **Registration and Reporting by Candidates and Political Committees**

No later than two weeks after an individual becomes a candidate or a political committee is organized, a campaign finance registration statement must be filed with the Public Disclosure Commission (PDC) and the county elections department. (Committees that form within three weeks of the election must register within three business days.) The candidate or committee treasurer is also required to report periodically the source and amount of campaign contributions over \$25 and to list campaign expenditures. The occupation and employer of individuals giving more than \$100 to a campaign must also be identified.

These reports may be inspected and copied at the PDC's Olympia office, the county elections department in the county where the candidate lives, and on the Internet ([www.pdc.wa.gov](http://www.pdc.wa.gov)). Every candidate and political committee participating in the election must make their campaign books and records available for public inspection, by

appointment, during the eight days before the election except Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays. Use the contact information provided on the campaign registration to make an appointment.

## **Independent Campaign Expenditures**

Anyone making expenditures totaling \$100 or more in support of or in opposition to a state or local candidate or ballot measure (not including contributions made to a candidate or political committee) must file a report with the PDC and their county elections department within five days. Forms are available from the PDC and the county elections department, or can be downloaded from the PDC website. Finally, all political advertising must identify the person paying for the ad and may be required to include other information. Expenditures for independently sponsored political advertisements that cost \$1,000 or more and appear during the last three weeks before an election must be reported to the PDC within 24 hours of when the ad is first presented to the public. Sponsors of electioneering communications must electronically report expenditures within 24 hours of the communication being presented to the public. More information about independent ads and electioneering communications is available from the PDC.

## **Federal Campaigns**

Contributions to U.S. Senate and House of Representatives candidates are regulated by federal law. An individual may contribute a maximum of \$2,300 in the primary and \$2,300 in the general election to each candidate for U.S. Senator and U.S. Representative. Corporations and unions are prohibited from contributing from their general treasury funds to federal campaigns. Contributions may be made from separate segregated funds (also called political action committees or PACs). Copies of the federal campaign finance reports are available from the Federal Election Commission (FEC).

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## **Need More Information?**

Contact the Public Disclosure Commission at 711 Capitol Way, Room 206, PO Box 40908, Olympia, WA 98504-0908, or by phone (360) 753-1111, email [pdc@pdc.wa.gov](mailto:pdc@pdc.wa.gov), or [www.pdc.wa.gov](http://www.pdc.wa.gov). For federal campaigns, contact the Federal Election Commission by phone at (202) 694-1100, toll-free (800) 424-9530, TDD/TTY (202) 219-3336, or visit [www.fec.gov](http://www.fec.gov).

## *Do you know what they do?*

Voters are entrusted to elect candidates into many offices, perhaps without always knowing the qualifications and full responsibility of an office. Following are the descriptions for some of the offices appearing on your ballot.



### *U.S. Congressional*

#### **Representative**

The U.S. Constitution prescribes that a Representative must be at least 25 years of age, have been a citizen of the United States for seven years, and, when elected, be a resident of the State from which he or she is chosen. A Representative's term of office is two years; the total membership of the House is elected in even-numbered years.

The Constitution assigns the Senate and House equal responsibility for declaring war, maintaining the armed forces, assessing taxes, borrowing money, minting currency, regulating commerce, and making all laws necessary for the operation of the government.



### *State Executive Offices*

#### **Governor**

The Governor is the chief executive officer of the state, elected to serve a four-year term. The Governor's executive branch responsibilities include appointing the heads of departments, agencies, and institutions. The Governor's legislative responsibilities include reporting to the Legislature annually on affairs of the state and submitting a budget recommendation. The Governor may veto legislation passed by the Legislature.

The office was created by Article III, Section 2, of the Washington Constitution. The Governor's powers and duties are outlined in Section 5-13 of the Constitution and RCW 43.06.

#### **Lieutenant Governor**

The Lieutenant Governor is elected independently of the Governor and holds office for four years. The Lieutenant Governor acts as Governor if the Governor is unable to perform his/her official duties, and is the presiding officer of the State Senate.

The Lieutenant Governor is elected to a four-year term. The office was created by Article III, Section 16 of the State Constitution.

#### **Secretary of State**

The Secretary of State is the state's chief elections officer, chief corporation officer, supervises the State Archives, and oversees the State Library. Primary functions include supervising state elections and certifying election results; filing and verifying initiatives and referendums; publishing the state voters' pamphlet; registering and licensing corporations, limited partnerships and trademarks; registering charitable organizations; collecting and preserving historical records of the state; administering the state's Address Confidentiality Program; and filing official acts of the Legislature and Governor.

The Secretary of State is elected to a four-year term. The office was created by Article III, Section 17 of the State Constitution. The duties are outlined in RCW 43.07.

#### **State Treasurer**

As the state's fiscal officer, the State Treasurer's principal duties are to manage and disperse all funds and accounts; be responsible for the safekeeping and interest on all state investments; accounting for and making payments of interest and principal on all state bonded indebtedness and maintaining a statewide revenue collection system for the purpose of expediting the deposit of state funds into the Treasury.

The State Treasurer is elected to a four-year term. The office was created by Article III, Section 19 of the State Constitution. The duties are outlined in RCW 43.08.

#### **State Auditor**

Working with more than 2,600 state and local governments, the State Auditor's Office conducts independent financial, accountability, and performance audits of all Washington governments. The State Auditor conducts investigations of state employee whistleblower assertions about state agencies and also investigates reports of fraud, waste, and abuse received through its citizen hotline. Audit and investigation results are documented and reported to governments and the public.

The State Auditor is elected to a term of four years. The office was created by Article III, Section 20 of the State Constitution. The duties are outlined in RCW 43.09 and 43.88.160.





## State Executive Offices *(continued)*

### **Attorney General**

The Attorney General serves as legal counsel to the Governor, members of the Legislature, state officials, and more than 230 state agencies, boards and commissions, colleges and universities. The office also represents the various administrative agencies and schools in court or administrative hearings. The Office of the Attorney General enforces consumer protection statutes and serves the public directly by providing information on consumer rights and fraudulent business practices.

The Attorney General is elected to office for a four-year term. The office was created pursuant to Article III, Section 21 of the Washington State Constitution. The duties are outlined in RCW 43.10.

### **Superintendent of Public Instruction**

As head of the state educational agency and chief executive officer of the State Board of Education, the Superintendent is responsible for the administration of the state kindergarten through twelfth grade education program. The regulatory duties of the office include certification of teaching personnel, approval and accreditation of programs, and apportionment of state and local funds. The Superintendent also provides assistance to school districts' school improvement area; in statistical analysis, accounting, management, assessment, and curriculum development.

The Superintendent is elected to a four-year term of office. The office was created pursuant to Article III, Section 22 of the Washington State Constitution. The duties are outlined in RCW 28A.300.

### **Commissioner of Public Lands**

The Commissioner of Public Lands is the head of the Department of Natural Resources, overseeing the management of 5 million acres of forest, agricultural, range, tidal, and shore lands of the state. Subject to proprietary policies established by the Board of Natural Resources, the Commissioner is responsible for the exercise of all duties and functions of the department.

The Commissioner is elected to a four-year term of office. The office was created pursuant to Article III, Section 23 of the Washington State Constitution. The duties are outlined in RCW 43.12 and RCW 43.30.

### **Insurance Commissioner**

The Office of the Insurance Commissioner regulates insurance companies doing business in Washington, licenses agents and brokers, reviews policies and rates,

examines the operations and finances of insurers, and handles inquiries and complaints from the public.

The Insurance Commissioner is elected to a four-year term of office. The office was created by the Legislature and the duties are listed in RCW 48.02.060 and 48.43.



## Legislative Offices

### **State Senator**

The State Constitution prescribes that a Senator must be a citizen of the United States and a qualified voter in the legislative district from which he or she was chosen. A Senator's term of office is four years; the Senate is made up of 49 members, one from each legislative district in the state. One-half of the membership of the Senate is elected at the General Election held in November of each even-numbered year.

During legislative sessions, the Legislature is called upon to: enact or reject legislation affecting public policy in the state; provide for the levy and collection of taxes and other revenue to support state government and assist local government; and appropriate funds for these purposes.

### **State Representative**

The State Constitution prescribes that a Representative must be a citizen of the United States and a qualified voter in the legislative district from which he or she was chosen. A Representative's term of office is two years; the House is made up of 98 members, two from each legislative district in the state. The total membership of the House is elected at the General Election held in November of each even-numbered year.

During legislative sessions, the Legislature is called upon to: enact or reject legislation affecting public policy in the state; provide for the levy and collection of taxes and other revenue to support state government and assist local government; and appropriate funds for these purposes.



# U.S. Congressional District 1 Representative (Partisan Office)



## Jay Inslee

(Prefers Democratic Party)

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### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** United States House of Representatives

**Education:** B.A. in Economics, University of Washington; J.D. Willamette University College of Law

**Elected Experience:** United States Representative 1999-present, Washington's 1<sup>st</sup> Congressional District; United States Representative 1993-1995, Washington's 4<sup>th</sup> Congressional District; Washington State Legislature 1989-1993, 14<sup>th</sup> Legislative District

**Family:** Married to wife Trudi since 1972. Children Jack (Megan), Connor and Joe.

**Significant Career Experience:** Former trial attorney and city prosecutor in Selah, WA from 1976 to 1992; 1996-1998 Regional Director of U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Co-Author "Apollo's Fire: Igniting America's Clean Energy Economy"

### **Candidate Statement**

We are at the dawn of a new era in this country, one in which we stop living in fear and start again living our dreams.

We can work to bring this country together, heal political divides and find bipartisan solutions to expand healthcare, reduce class sizes and grow the economy.

We can harness American ingenuity to tackle our dependency on oil and the threat of global warming, while creating millions of green-collar jobs. To that end I've introduced the New Apollo Energy Act to do for energy what JFK's original Apollo Project did for space.

Together, we can end the war in Iraq and regain America's standing in the world community. I stand by my vote against authorizing the Iraq War and will continue efforts to hasten its conclusion. It's time to stop borrowing money from China to spend in Iraq, while leaving our children to foot the bill.

Coming from a family of veterans, I believe we have a moral responsibility to those who fight to keep America safe. I've worked to improve health care for veterans and boost pay for military personnel.

America is the greatest country on earth, and we are blessed to live in one of its most beautiful places. As a boy, my parents took me along as they helped restore alpine meadows on Mount Rainier. They taught me to respect the environment, and since I've been in Congress, I've fought to protect our clean air, clean water, and forests.

In my time I've driven bulldozers, cement trucks, and dump trucks. I've been a commercial painter and laborer. I always keep in mind the impact policies have on working families.

It is an honor to represent you in Congress.



## Larry Ishmael

(Prefers G.O.P. Party)

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### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Partner, Suasor Consulting Group (1991-present)

**Education:** B.A. - Economics and Spanish, MBA - International Business

**Elected Experience:** President of Local School Board, Chairman of Local Chamber of Commerce, Advisory Board of Family Church Advisory Board of Overlake Hospital

**Family:** Married to Susan for 33+ years, Sons: Clay, Greg, Reese

**Significant Career Experience:** Architect of world's largest clean air program, Pioneer in public/private partnerships, Lived on 4 continents and worked in over 125 countries, Worked w/ top government officials in foreign governments, Fluent in Spanish/Portuguese

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### **Candidate Statement**

The U.S. Congress is so bogged down in bitter partisanship that it is not addressing the important issues of our day. We must fix the economy, create affordable healthcare for all Americans, reduce our dependence on foreign oil, lower the price of gas and food, and sort out the War in Iraq. Keeping the same old politician will not change anything for the better, but voting for me would be a vote for meaningful change.

My background is: in education, developmental economics, holistic environmentalism, foreign policy, and as a former elected official. These, plus a commitment to reduce the size of government, make me the right choice in this election. Not until the U.S. Congress balances the budget will we have lower fuel prices because the low value of the dollar is directly related to the high price of gasoline. Not until we start relying on viable sustainable fuel sources, like nuclear energy, will we gain independence from foreign oil.

As a husband and father, my wife and I have been blessed with 3 wonderful sons during our 33 years of marriage. Susan is a teacher, as are our middle son and his wife. Our youngest is studying to become a teacher, and our eldest and his wife are in the mortgage industry. I fight for them and all Americans to reduce out-of-control government spending so they will not be strapped with huge government debt. I fight for them to keep Social Security viable for the long term. I fight for them to reduce the high costs of healthcare. I fight for them to keep our country safe. And, I fight for them to keep our planet healthy by protecting the environment today. A vote for me is a vote for a better tomorrow.

Please visit my website at: [www.larryishmael.com](http://www.larryishmael.com) .

## U.S. Congressional District 2 Representative (Partisan Office)



### Rick Bart

(Prefers Republican Party)

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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Retired Sheriff, Snohomish County

**Elected Experience:** Snohomish County Sheriff (1995-2008)

**Family:** Rick and Wendy Bart live in Arlington, Washington. Wendy is Executive Director, Marysville YMCA. Seven children and six grandchildren.

**Significant Career Experience:** Rick Bart was in law enforcement for over 37 years. President of Families and Friends

of Violent Crime Victims; Past President, Washington Association of County Officials; Former member, Executive Board, National Sheriff's Association; Fight Crime Invest in Kids State Advisory Committee; Snohomish County Meth Action Team. Established Snohomish County Youth Meth Summits in 2001. "Operation Lifesaver" assisting in protecting seniors with dementia related issues who wander from loved ones and can't be located.

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#### **Candidate Statement**

This campaign for Congress ([www.ElectRickBart.com](http://www.ElectRickBart.com)) is going to be about trust; getting things done and leadership. When I became Sheriff, I learned quickly to gain and keep the trust of the people. Without it, the Sheriff's office has nothing. All of our authority comes from the people and Congress is no different! Without our trust, Congress has nothing. Their authority comes from the people they serve.

Right now, most people don't trust Congress. Why? Because nothing is getting done and our problems are going unsolved. They are not only going unsolved, they are getting worse! They are not working together to solve those problems. Instead, Congress keeps hiking our taxes, gas prices continue to soar, and record numbers of Americans are losing their homes to foreclosure.

Our country is a nation that consumes too much, saves too little and has to borrow huge amounts of money from abroad to finance our fiscal and trade deficits. Both political parties – Republican

and Democrat – must begin to work together to solve this crisis now! The finger pointing and political posturing of the past several years has done nothing to resolve this very real threat. Inaction by Congress is threatening our quality of life.

Our next Congressman needs to be a team player and focus on the global economy and the need for government to make it easier for Americans to prosper and businesses of every size to flourish. We need to give our workforce the training and education they need to compete. We don't need bigger government, more debt and increased taxes.

Sheriff Bart is a school volunteer and a Big Brother for Snohomish County Big Brothers and Big Sisters. He serves on the Mt. Baker National Forest Resource Advisory Committee, the Greater Trinity Children's Learning Center and the Marysville Rotary.



## Rick Larsen

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### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** U.S. Representative Washington 02

**Education:** Bachelors degree in political science from Pacific Lutheran University, Masters in Public Affairs from the University of Minnesota

**Elected Experience:** Snohomish County Council 1997 - 1999

**Family:** Married to Tiia Karlen, two children, Robert and Per

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### **Candidate Statement**

As your representative in Congress for the past eight years, I have built a record of accomplishments for Snohomish, Skagit, Island, San Juan, Whatcom and King County communities. This year, the Democratic Party nominated me for re-election so I can continue fighting for you in Congress and delivering results to strengthen our economy, support local law enforcement and make sure veterans get the support they deserve.

My number one goal is to invest in our community to create jobs. As a member of the Transportation and Infrastructure committee, I have delivered federal dollars for local roads and transit and improved safety, such as Hwy 2 improvements. Investing in roads, ferries and infrastructure strengthens our economy – for every \$1 billion of federal funding invested in transportation roughly 47,000 new jobs are created.

Because many local veterans must travel all the way to Seattle for basic medical care, I pushed the VA to open a community-

based outpatient clinic in Northwest Washington. The VA has opened a temporary clinic for our veterans and a permanent clinic is coming soon. I will continue my work to strengthen education opportunities for veterans and make sure we honor our commitment to those who have served.

As co-chair of the House Meth Caucus, I helped pass landmark legislation making it more difficult for drug dealers to get the ingredients they need to make meth. This bill greatly reduced the number of meth labs in Washington state and made our neighborhoods safer places to live. I will keep working in Congress to support local law enforcement and local efforts to fight drugs and crime.

I ask for your vote so I can continue representing you in Congress and delivering results for our community.

## U.S. Congressional District 2 Representative (Partisan Office)



### Doug Schaffer

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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** I own a management consulting firm, Best Consultants, founded in March, 1994. We provide performance improvement services for government and business. Clients: Johnson & Johnson, Parker Hannifin, Goodyear, Ingersoll Rand, AT & T, Bremerton Naval Base, Snohomish Co., Port of Seattle, Fred Hutch, Children's Hospital, Premera, Boeing, Eldec, Interpoint. International experience includes Russia, Malaysia, Indonesia, Mexico, England and Canada.

**Education:** BA – Political Science; MA – Public Administration

**Family:** Devoted father and grandfather.

**Significant Career Experience:** I solve tough problems involving affected groups and achieving consensus between opposing parties. I want to use these skills to bring Republicans and Democrats together to effect positive change.

#### **Candidate Statement**

I have been a lifelong Democrat, but now I am running as an Independent. I no longer agree with either party on many key issues. I am frustrated that they don't understand some of the issues or they just promote "solutions" that will make their constituencies happy. My greatest frustration is their inability to get anything done. Partisan politics and personal conflicts have been the order of the day. I know of few jobs where you can make \$165,000 a year, plus benefits, and not be held accountable for results.

I believe the reason our Representatives can accomplish nothing and still be re-elected year after year is simply that voters don't know their options or feel limited to the Party endorsed candidates. As a result, incumbents are re-elected with little serious opposition and after years of "tenure" in the House they become both undefeatable

and unaccountable. The new Top Two Primary allows voters to chose the best two candidates without regard to party for the first time this year. It is my pledge to you that during my campaign and, if elected, in the House I will make enough "noise" and will frame issues so they are of interest and importance to you and I will be attentive to your concerns regardless of party affiliation.

Many Americans are unhappy with the direction this country has been taking. It's time to inject some "new blood" into the House and start holding Representatives accountable. Personally, that means that I will spell out for you what I intend to do for our country and federally affected local issues. I will keep you informed regarding my progress through the Internet and other media outlets, and I will expect you to hold me accountable. Thank you for your support.



## Glen S. Johnson

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### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Farmer/Author

**Education:** Graduate of Skagit Valley Community College Ag/psych 1980. Graduate of Landmark Educations curriculum for living 2000.

**Family:** married 20 years to Charlotte, 1 stepdaughter.

**Significant Career Experience:** owner/CEO Mother Flight Farm, 53 years old, 3 years military service (Army) 1974-1976. Skagit County Solid Waste Advisory Committee 1992-1996, State

Rep candidate 1996, U.S. Rep candidate 2000. Tilth Producers of Washington Board member 1996-2002, Wrote "Letters from Kik-I-allus" a Farmer's Perspective 2006

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### **Candidate Statement**

I'm passionate about people. I want to help us through the conundrums that block our paths. I'm a deeply experienced businessman, with some higher education and much world travel and independent study. I own a small farm which I grow 50+ different types of crops on. Each is metaphorically like a different subject matter in the political world. Some grow well and are somewhat easier than others. Some require an extra degree of effort to have a fruitful harvest. People are from what they eat. We're being challenged so deeply, on so many different levels, that we need to learn a new way of living that's more sustainable. As an Organic farmer for the past 20 years, with 20 years of conventional food production, processing, packaging and preparation experience before that, I'm an authority about one of

the most crucial conundrums we all face as a humanity. My book "Letters from Kik-I-allus" a Farmers Perspective, details what we need to do in the immediate future. I'm a man who spent time in the Army, narrowly missing the maniacal machinations in the Mekong Delta. I understand the need for a defense, yet I also understand the valor in turning the other cheek. Stepping back from a slap is not cowardice, it can be seen as a strength. I'm a smart strategist, whose vision is clearer than most. It's why I believe you'll give me your vote. Buying my book is the best way to fund my campaign and give a gift to a friend at the same time. Read it and pass it on. It beats the heck out of lambasting your inbox or mailbox. Sincerely, Glen S Johnson

## U.S. Congressional District 8 Representative (Partisan Office)



### Boleslaw (John) Orlinski

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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** 1991 – present, Social Worker, DSHS, State of Washington

**Education:** M.A. - Economics/Business; Industrial Enterprise Management University of Szczecin (Poland), 1982; M.A. - International Studies, University of Washington, 1988

**Elected Experience:** 1991 – 2003 Board of Directors, Lake Washington Technical College Foundation

**Family:** Yvonne Orlinski, wife (52) Social Worker – DSHS; Tommy Orlinski, son (26) Lindbergh High School, 1999 Pierce College, 2001 Pacific University, 2004 University of La Verne College of Law, 2008; Scott Orlinski, son (22) Lindbergh High School, 2003 Central Washington University, attending

**Significant Career Experience:** 1991 – present, Social Worker, DSHS, State of Washington; 1983 – 1984, Assistant Professor, Political Science - Maritime University, Szczecin, Poland

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#### **Candidate Statement**

My name is John Orlinski and I'm running for U.S. Representative. I believe my education, civil service, and work experience, along with my life experiences and political ideals make me a strong candidate.

My family emigrated to the United States from Poland in 1984. While in Poland I finished my M.A. in economics and worked as an assistant professor in political science. During the *Solidarity* era, I was involved in forming the first independent party, *Renaissance*.

Coming to America was the greatest opportunity of my life, one I will always be thankful for. Upon my arrival, the Newport Covenant Church sponsored me, something I will always be grateful for.

I completed my second M.A. degree in International Studies at the University of Washington. Shortly after, I started working as a social worker for DSHS. Throughout my 18-year career serving Washington, I helped thousands of people improve their lives. I hope to do much more if elected.

I'm running as an Independent. I was inspired by Ron Paul's candidacy and other independently minded people. Americans are tired of the current politics - bickering, posturing, and gridlock, they are ready for change. Parties need to communicate and do what is the best for the country; not what's best for them, their lobbyists, or special interests.

We will face great challenges and have important decisions in the near future concerning our economy, Iraq war, environment, health and educational systems, energy policies, immigration, teenage pregnancy, and international challenges. This is a crucial time in America's history, decisions cannot be based on parties' self interests. We need to face those challenges as a united nation and state, and show the established parties that if they want our vote, they need to earn it.





## Richard Todd

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### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Licensed Professional Engineer in the State of Washington, Self Employed

**Education:** University of Colorado (1950) degree in Mechanical Engineering. Licensed Professional Engineer in Washington State since 1964.

**Family:** Cecilia and I live on Buttercup Farm in Snoqualmie.

**Significant Career Experience:** Engineer working on the early (1950's) development of military jet engines and worked with the NATO squadrons and European Airlines in the aftermath of WWII

- Author of "Saga of the Polar Star" a true life marine adventure bringing an Alaskan Crab Boat across the Atlantic from Spain and through the Panama Canal.
- Freelance Journalist, writing opinion articles on political challenges facing the United States.

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### **Candidate Statement**

Political factions are the principal cause of the downfall of a democracy, according to James Madison, one of the major Framers of our Constitution. This topic is analyzed in detail in "The Federalist Papers" written by Madison, Hamilton and John Jay.

Our "democracy" is impacted by the two major factions which represent the opposite extremes of the political spectrum. The American electorate has been clamoring for bipartisanship to end the battle for political advantage. That is not in the nature of political factions.

My candidacy, as an Independent, promotes the interests of the public as distinct from those of a political faction (who represent themselves as a "party"). Independent voters in western Washington exceed in number the supporters of either political faction and are deserving of a representative who serves the public interest rather than that of a faction. The issues in the 2008 election are discussed in opinion articles on my website toddforcongress.org .

Voters in the Eighth Congressional District have the unique opportunity to make a positive impact on our national legislature. The election of an Independent Representative in Congress will underscore the public demand that their interests be served. It will also encourage honest debate within Congress on issues which have previously been addressed only from the point of view of the two major factions.

As your Representative, I will study the issues in depth and inform the voters how the national interest and our district is best served. In contrast to career politicians who have lost touch with Working America, my service to you recognizes that the pressure to make ends meet financially for the great majority of Americans precludes the opportunity to delve deeply into the intricacies of a political course of action. That responsibility falls to your Representative.

## U.S. Congressional District 8 Representative (Partisan Office)



### James E. Vaughn

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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Principal for Quality Staffing. Focus is on assisting veterans to obtain employment. Priority goes to military returning from Iraq and Afghanistan.

**Education:** BA, California State University, Fresno; Episcopal Seminary (1 year theological studies); Armor Officer Basic and Advance Course; Combined Arms Staff College (Senior Staff Officer Training); US Army Operations Research and Systems Analysis, (graduate level program).

**Elected Experience:** Worked with senior officers at the Pentagon and met with members of US Congress regarding Army budget.

**Family:** Reside in Orting, two children and four grandchildren.

**Significant Career Experience:** As a citizen, businessman, farmer, and veteran, I have a personal interest as to how government impacts these areas.

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#### **Candidate Statement**

I am a no-nonsense, conservative Democrat that has been compared to Scoop Jackson. As businessman, farmer, citizen, former Army Major, my platform presents common sense solutions, in opposition to the extremes of the Republican Party and the current liberal Progressive Democrats.

As a military analyst, I conducted analysis on future wars in the Middle East. Given my experience, I am disgusted at how the Republican Administration has managed the war. I am angered at the liberal Democrats calling for immediate withdrawal. We all want our troops home. However, we must choose the right course of action to keep our country and the Iraqi people safe.

After the first Gulf War, the Army experienced significant budget cuts because of the recession and budget deficit. My job was to prioritize all Army programs, a \$300 billion dollar budget. My analysis created a prioritized list of expenditures allowing the Pentagon to determine which programs to fund during a period

of downsizing. We now have another recession, budget deficit and trade deficit. I have the experience to prioritize our budget in order to keep the essential services.

I say no more to:

- American corporations sending jobs overseas.
- \$130 Billion invested in overseas emerging markets last year, rather than investing in our country.
- \$40 Billion military hardware contract was sent to France.
- Absence of affordable health care.
- Individuals abusing L&I, welfare, and unemployment in order to draw a check while we go to work each day.
- Our government not providing adequate care for Veterans.
- Social Security's projection to be bankrupt 2018 while our government spent \$21 billion on foreign aid last year and \$13.2 billion on Pork Barrel Projects. Let's put the money back in Social Security where it belongs.

Please visit my website at [www.jimvaughnforcongress.com](http://www.jimvaughnforcongress.com) for details of my platform and solutions.



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### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Member of Congress, WA-08

**Education:** AA Concordia Lutheran College

**Elected Experience:** King County Sheriff, 1997-2004, House of Representatives, 2005-Current

**Family:** Dave has been married to his wife Julie for 38 years. They have three children: Angela, Tabitha, Daniel and six grandchildren.

**Significant Career Experience:** 1971-1976, Dave served in the US Air Force Reserve. He joined the King County Sheriff's Office in 1972 and in 1997 became King County's first elected sheriff in 30 years. Dave was the 6<sup>th</sup> freshman in U.S. history to be appointed a chairman of a subcommittee. He is currently ranking member of a Subcommittee on Intelligence.

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### **Candidate Statement**

Elections are about choices, and there is a clear choice in this district. I bring unique experience, background, leadership and judgment to the House of Representatives. I managed the King County Sheriff's Office with a \$110 million budget and nearly 1,100 employees. I became the 6<sup>th</sup> Freshman in the history of Congress to be named as the Chairman of a Subcommittee. I now serve as the ranking member on the Subcommittee for Intelligence.

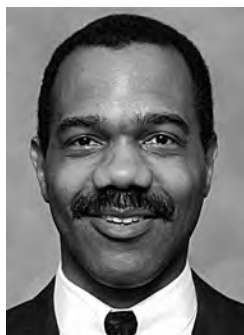
We live in challenging times that will offer exciting opportunities. The world has changed, America has changed and they will continue to change. Our responsibility is to manage that change, always putting the people first, American citizens, not political parties. America must lead the world, defining and shaping opportunities ahead by doing what is right for America, with bold and independent thinking and courageous action.

As your Congressman, I will continue to advocate for the people of the 8<sup>th</sup> district by ensuring that America remains strong and

free; our troops have everything they need in battle and when they return home; our neighborhoods and families are safe; the economy improves by keeping taxes low and allowing you to spend more of your own money; increasing jobs by working on trade; lowering the cost of health care and making it available to everyone; providing and improving education for everyone; and protecting our environment.

Don't listen to the negative messages this election season. Our nation's best days are ahead of us. We must continue to have hope in a brighter future for our children. I look forward to serving you, always with an optimistic spirit, working for the best interest of all. Join me and let's work together to build hope, once again, in the American dream.

## U.S. Congressional District 8 Representative (Partisan Office)



### Keith Arnold

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#### Biographical Information

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Licensing Services Representative, Washington State Department of Licensing to 2008

**Education:** B.S. in Accountancy from University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

**Family:** Single, no children.

**Significant Career Experience:** I proposed Judiciary Act of 1993 to Congress and the President in 1993 to neutralize the U.S. supreme

court (and its legislating from the bench) until it's eliminated by amendment under the Constitution's Article V. I proudly became and served as a Federal Employee during the Clinton Administration, then later resigned disgusted by changes occurring after Bush "entered" the White House. 2006 Congressional candidate. 2008 President candidate (that website: [www.electKeithArnold.com](http://www.electKeithArnold.com)).

#### Candidate Statement

*ENFORCEMENT OF DEMOCRACY, CONSTITUTION, AND LAW* is necessary to preserve our physical and economic national security. We need a *nationwide neighborhood watch* by all our country's people and public servants to enforce our nation's security measures.

I proposed the Judiciary Act of 1993 to stop judicial barriers to this enforcement. Congress failed to pass my proposal. My Act would have stopped the supreme court from legislating from the bench by taking away all its power which would neutralize it until it could be eliminated by Constitutional Amendment. The supreme court is another appellate court and *unnecessary* due to the appellate courts below it.

With my 1993 Judiciary Act and no supreme court, Bush *wouldn't* have "gotten" the 2000 Election, *wouldn't* have "gotten" the White House, *wouldn't* have changed our nation's budget surplus into a record bankruptcy, *wouldn't* have sent our troops to Iraq, *wouldn't* spy on Americans without a warrant, *nor* done anything else to America and the world.

His support of Bush shows former Republican sheriff Reichert's Republican side. But where is Reichert's investigation of 9/11, the pre-Iraq War Weapons of Mass Destruction claims, the home foreclosure crisis, or any other problems during Bush's time to show Reichert has a sheriff and investigator side?

The citizens of Washington State fought for enforcement of Democracy by fighting for the Top Two Primary. That was an *excellent* win by and for the people of Washington. My Judiciary Act and political campaigns show I don't give up on America either. If our incumbents won't enforce our Democracy, we must replace them and do it ourselves.

I request your vote so I can defend America against its enemies foreign and domestic whether they're outside or inside government.



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### **Biographical Information**

**Education:** Darcy attended public schools and worked numerous jobs to put herself through college at Harvard, earning a degree in computer science and economics.

**Family:** The daughter of an Air Force veteran and public school teacher, Darcy grew up in a blue collar military family. She and her husband, Mike, also a veteran, are raising their son (and their golden retriever) just outside of Carnation.

**Significant Career Experience:** Darcy Burner worked for a dozen years in high technology, most recently at Microsoft where she oversaw worldwide programs and managed multi-million dollar budgets. She was Chair of the Women at Microsoft organization.

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### **Candidate Statement**

America is ready for change, and Darcy Burner is a new kind of leader with the independence and drive we need to change the direction of our country.

We must end the failed policies of President Bush and Congressional Republicans regarding the economy, energy independence, the Iraq War, schools and veterans.

**Economy:** Darcy grew up in a working-class family, and supports relief for the middle class through economic growth and permanent middle class tax cuts, helping people keep more of what they earn. She favors pay-as-you-go policies to get the budget under control and stop wasteful spending.

**Energy Independence:** Darcy knows gas prices are hurting all of us and will fight to stop gas price gouging and end corporate welfare for oil companies. She will invest in renewable energy to bring down prices and create jobs.

**Iraq:** Darcy worked with military generals and national security experts to develop an acclaimed plan to responsibly end the war in Iraq. It's time to return control of Iraq to the Iraqis and bring our troops - and money - home.

**Veterans:** Darcy was raised in a military family, and her brother served in Iraq. She will reinstate veterans' benefits that have been cut and support the new G.I. Bill to give all veterans the educational benefits and health care they have earned.

**Education:** Darcy supports reducing class sizes, fixing No Child Left Behind and the WASL, funding early childhood education, and making college more affordable.

In order to provide a better future for our children, grow the economy, end the Iraq war, protect the environment, and ensure a woman's right to choose, we must replace politicians who have failed us and elect new leaders committed to fighting for real change.

Darcy is endorsed by the Democratic Party.

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## Governor (Partisan Office)



### Dino Rossi

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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Commercial Real Estate

**Education:** B.A., Business Management, Seattle University

**Elected Experience:** Washington State Senate, 1996-2003

**Family:** Dino Rossi, the youngest of seven children raised by a Seattle public schoolteacher and a beautician with Italian, Irish and Tlingit Alaskan Native heritage, grew up in Mountlake Terrace.

Dino and his wife Terry now live in Sammamish with their four children.

**Significant Career Experience:** In 2003, as Chair of the Senate Ways & Means Committee, he built a bipartisan coalition to balance the largest budget deficit in state history without raising taxes while still protecting the poor and vulnerable. He was the GOP nominee for Governor in 2004.

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#### **Candidate Statement**

Dino Rossi – A governor who will get things done...for a change.

Governors in other states are controlling spending - but not here. While we tighten our belts, state government spends more money and faces a growing \$2.5 billion deficit. The incumbent's only answer: more tax increases.

Dino Rossi is a businessman. He'll watch our tax dollars like a hawk and cut waste, because the answer to Washington's challenges is not always to spend more tax money, but to spend our money wisely.

Washingtonians must be safe. The state government does not know the location of over 1300 convicted sex offenders who are loose in our cities and neighborhoods. Dino will end early release for violent offenders from prison. Dino will require the close and constant monitoring of sex offenders who have served their sentence.

Other Governors are reforming education and helping prepare students for global competition. More money is spent in education each year here, but is it spent effectively to give our children what

they need to be competitive in life? Dino Rossi will replace the WASL with America's best standardized test and require students to pass a fair and rigorous test. The incumbent still supports the failed WASL test with no math and science requirement.

Other states are making progress fixing traffic congestion. Dino Rossi has a specific plan to fix nine major traffic chokepoints without new taxes and complete transportation projects on time. Here, the incumbent raised gas taxes to the nation's highest but commute times just get longer, and many critical transportation projects are still being studied by "blue ribbon" committees on a drawing board.

Spending more yet getting less is no way to run a family budget, a business or a state government.

Let's fix some problems...elect Dino Rossi.



## Will Baker

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### **Biographical Information**

**Significant Career Experience:** As a direct result of Will's activist career, Will believes the number one issue in the 2008 Governor election should be the illegal and unethical election practices used by former U.S. Attorney/current Seattle University Law School Professor John McKay, Washington State Assistant Attorney General Jeffrey Even and Secretary of State of Washington Sam Reed.

*Fact:* (Then) U.S. Attorney John McKay, Assistant State Attorney General Jeffrey Even and Secretary of State Sam Reed manipulated the 2004 statewide elections.

*How?*

*Fact:* McKay, Even and Reed cancelled the entire 2004 Washington State Primary Voters' Pamphlet just to censor Will Baker.

[www.TheTruthRocks.com](http://www.TheTruthRocks.com)

### **Candidate Statement**

I believe the number one issue in the 2008 Governor election should be the illegal and unethical election practices used by former Washington State Attorney General/current Washington State Governor Christine "The Cover-Up Queen" Gregoire.

*Fact:* Former Washington State Attorney General/current Washington State Governor Christine "The Cover-Up Queen" Gregoire manipulates/rigs elections.

*How?*

*Fact:* One way is to illegally and/or unethically manipulate/rig the information that is supposed to be made available to the voters.

*How?*

*Fact:* One way is to spend public dollars to pay state employees to keep quiet about scandals that could damage Christine "The Cover-Up Queen" Gregoire's political machine. (Basically, brokering "whistle-blower silence for taxpayer cash" deals.)

### *The Brian Ebersole Story*

*Fact:* Brian Ebersole lived in Tacoma.

*Fact:* On November 2, 1982, Ebersole (Democrat) was elected to the Washington State legislature.

*Fact:* When Ebersole was in the legislature in the early 90's, he was sued by state employees who stated Ebersole had coerced them into illegally campaigning for him on taxpayer time.

*Fact:* (Then) Washington State Attorney General Christine "The Cover-Up Queen" Gregoire (Democrat) "investigated" that scandal by paying the employees almost \$1 million in taxpayer money to settle the cases and then Gregoire tried to keep the court records sealed from the public.

*Visit [www.TheTruthRocks.com](http://www.TheTruthRocks.com) and then please call "60 Minutes" at (212) 975-2006 and please press zero to speak with a live person.*

## Governor (Partisan Office)



### Christine Gregoire

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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Governor, Washington State

**Education:** J.D., Gonzaga University, 1977; B.A., University of Washington, 1969

**Elected Experience:** Attorney General, 1992-2004

**Family:** My husband Mike is my biggest supporter and a great father to our daughters, Courtney and Michelle.

**Significant Career Experience:** I'm proud to serve as your Governor. Together, we've gotten results for Washingtonians by protecting our communities, providing health care for adults and children, investing in education, creating jobs and improving our environment and quality of life. As Attorney General, I successfully fought to clean up Hanford, stop identity thieves, and hold tobacco companies accountable.

#### **Candidate Statement**

In my four years as your Governor, we've tackled tough challenges head-on and produced results for people in every corner of our state.

##### *Strengthening Our Economy*

When I took office we had a 2.2 billion dollar deficit and one of the highest unemployment rates in the country. Since then we have balanced the budget, cut red tape for small businesses, created over 200,000 new jobs, and now have the third fastest growing economy in the nation.

##### *Protecting Our Children*

Faced with overcrowded prisons, we charted a new direction to protect our families. We built 4,000 new prison beds, required electronic ankle bracelets and increased jail sentences for sex offenders, and started a DNA registry for sex crimes.

When I took office the state was threatening to slash healthcare from 46,000 low-income children. Cutting kids off healthcare is morally wrong. We stopped those cuts and instead, expanded healthcare coverage to 84,000 additional children.

We also restored funding for teachers' salaries and to lower class size, and passed the strictest toy safety standards in the country to protect our kids against dangerous chemicals.

##### *Creating a Cleaner Future*

Washington is leading the country in efforts to fight global warming. We're one of the largest producers of renewable energy in a growing "green" economy, and we created the Puget Sound Partnership to clean up the Sound for future generations.

As we look to the future, challenges lie ahead, including those posed by failed national economic policies. But these past four years have proven we're not afraid of tough challenges.

I ask for your support this primary election so we can continue to set the bar high for the quality of life in our state, meet these challenges head-on, and produce real results that improve the lives of every community and every family in Washington.





## Duff Badgley

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### Biographical Information

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Former hospice worker, carpenter, journalist.

**Education:** BA, Political Science, Dickinson College.

**Elected Experience:** Candidacy approved, Washington Green Party.

**Family:** Two children, five grandchildren.

**Significant Career Experience:** Chair, Sustainability Council, Washington Green Party; founder, One Earth Climate Action Group; founder, Citizens' Coalition for Trees; Sustainable Ballard's first Car Free Project Leader.

### Candidate Statement

Our Climate Crisis demands profound cultural change *now*. As in childbirth, pain will attend this change. We are birthing ourselves into a world radically different from what middle-class Industrial World citizens have known for a century.

We have badly abused our Earth. Now, the Earth is changing in non-linear ways. We cannot avoid this change. Our choice is to change voluntarily, or be compelled by our Earth to change.

Those leaders who sell the lethal notion that we can 'prosper' and avoid painful Climate Crisis change are false leaders. Reject them.

Our governor must convene a Climate Emergency session of the legislature *now* to enact emergency World War II-type laws:

- Divert Boeing to manufacture of solar and wind power equipment.
- Vastly increase public transport. Poor ride free.
- Outlaw Single Occupancy Vehicles, except where no public transport exists.

- Impose aggressive, corporate carbon taxes.
- Assess steep, progressive individual carbon taxes. Poor exempted.
- Establish industry, regional and governmental carbon caps.
- Outlaw carbon trading.
- Begin personal carbon rationing.
- Channel carbon tax funds to poor, offsetting high food, housing and transportation costs.
- Carbon taxes fund global Rainforest Protection.
- Demand full withdrawal from Iraq. Divert funds to climate programs.
- Outlaw coal fired power plants.
- Outlaw crop based biofuels production and use.
- Provide energy retro-fit for all buildings.
- Adopt new Land Use Law. Require density. Stop sprawl.
- Protect Washington trees as 'common good,' critically aiding our climate.

## Governor (Partisan Office)



### John W. Aiken, Jr.

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**Current Occupation/Employer:** Public Works Lead Inspector for the City of Spokane

**Education:** Medical Lake High School, USAF Academy Preparatory School, and Eastern Washington University. BS in Geology, MS candidate, and working toward a BA Ed in Earth Sciences

**Significant Career Experience:** Life Member: Republican National Committee 2004, National Rifle Association 2007, and

National Republican Congressional Committee 2008. Member: American Legion, National Republican Senatorial Committee, and Washington State Republican Party. Eagle Scout with God and Country Medal, Republican Gold Medal, Republican Senatorial Medal of Freedom, NRA Defender of the Constitution Award, and many political awards. I have been a small business owner and corporate officer.

#### **Candidate Statement**

My goal is to empower the people to dictate to our government their needs and how those needs are to be addressed. That is what a democracy is about. Instead, I see the will of the people being neglected and government dictating to them. I believe in a less intrusive and smaller government.

I have seen abuses of property, parental, and personal rights by our government. There is a lack of financial accountability and mismanagement of government programs without any consequences for failures. Special interest groups own our government and it is time for the people to take back their rights to govern themselves.

We need to rid ourselves of unfair and regressive taxes that only affect a segment of our society. I want to reform public and higher education and make it available to everyone at any time or place without cost. We need to combat pollution and clean up our

environment. I want to stimulate our economy and be pro-business. We need to insure that all our citizens have affordable housing, food, power, and health care. We need to develop an emergency plan for major disasters that could be used in the event that a large number of our population is affected.

There is not room to address every issue here but, I hope you will go to my campaign website for more information and clarification before you vote. Please become an informed voter and do not be swayed by high dollar promotional schemes that are full of empty rhetoric and half-truths. You are the employer and we candidates need to work for you. So check our education and experience as well as our values and the organizations to which we belong. If you don't see these basic elements for employment, be wary.



## Christian Pierre Joubert

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### Biographical Information

**Education:** Assumption Prep. School (cum laude); Boston College; (theater) University of Massachusetts (political science); journalism, political sociology, medicine, nutrition and holistic health and Law (France).

**Family:** Single.

**Significant Career Experience:** Raised in Bordeaux's vineyards, I worked in journalism (Israel), laboured in organic agriculture, holistic health, as a teacher (social sciences, law) in Europe.

A visiting adjunct law professor at Gonzaga law school (1991), I established the law school's international human rights law section. After my father's lung cancer death, I litigated medical malpractice and tobacco lawsuits in Seattle and gave a public talk to doctors on "how to argue cancer alternative therapies in the courtroom."

### Candidate Statement

Because I feel Washington State should be leading the Nation in promoting a Spiritual Civilization based on holistic medicine, alternative energy, affordable housing, relevant education, a dynamic economy, bio-diversity, world development and meaningful access to justice, I respectfully propose my "FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS" PLAN OF ACTION.

**FREEDOM FROM DISEASES:** Thanks to *public health (including comprehensive universal pro-active health care) and therapeutic freedoms legislation*, billions of dollars could be saved while all would have meaningful access to physical, mental and spiritual wellbeing.

**FREEDOM FROM POLLUTION, WASTE AND WARS:** With a firm commitment to develop *clean, renewable energies (solar, wind, hydrogen, tidal, geothermal)*, painful oil wars would be less justifiable. With the resources saved, peace and prosperity would be better constructed.

**FREEDOM FROM EXCESSIVE MORTGAGES, DEBTS AND HOMELESSNESS:** Thanks to *compassionate solidarity and eco-construction technology (strawbale, wood, clay)*, a sound family house can be built for under 45,000 dollars.

**FREEDOM FROM IGNORANCE, ALIENATION AND RECESSION:** With *stronger schools and universities, a dynamic modern economy based on the internet revolution, science, business, corporate intelligence, tax reform, coupled with sustainable communities*, the elderly, youth and working force would better fulfill their dreams and basic needs.

**FREEDOM FROM HUNGER, DESERTS AND WORLD MISERY:** Thanks to *ethical trade, the doubling of exports, tree planting, vineyards, organic agriculture, health restaurants and the distribution of "superfoods"* (including but not limited to amazing dopamine-producing raw vegan chocolate mousses), we would find solutions to world hunger and deserts would flower.

**FREEDOM FROM INJUSTICE AND TYRANNY.** With *massive restructuring and financing of our legal system; the building of human rights and duties "enlightenment" centers in each town; the enactment of public expense for modest-income parties who have non-frivolous civil and administrative cases*, including for electoral candidates, Washingtonians would be empowered and this State would become a lighthouse for the International Community.

## Governor (Partisan Office)



### Christopher A. Tudor

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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Chairman of the Travelodge Board within the Wyndham Worldwide Hotel Group, representing all of the United States-based franchisee interests, Executive Principal of the revered College Inn, the neighborhood icon Chai House, and Dickinson Equipment Company.

**Education:** Graduate of University of Washington, BA in Political Science

**Elected Experience:** 9 years as an elected Board Director including two years as Chairman

**Significant Career Experience:** Backed by more than 12 years of leadership experience, I exemplify the traits of a leader with a thorough understanding of the needs, concerns, challenges and strategies necessary to thrive as an entrepreneur and citizen in the Evergreen State.

#### **Candidate Statement**

I am running for public office because I believe in a better Washington. For too many years the two party system in this state has corrupted the ideals of our democracy with conflicted party and special interest loyalties. The candidates have lost sight of the voters that elect them and empower them to lead on behalf of the people.

Classic party politics have stalled any movement on issues that matter to the average Washingtonian. Transportation, Education, and the Environment have suffered over the past four years. Both parties have proposed plans which do not solve problems but stall resolutions. It is time for government to become innovative. Together, we must solve the problems that exist today so we, as a community and state, can move forward. The talent and resources in this state position us well to become a global leader in the three above-mentioned areas. We need a leader who will leverage our current strengths and efficiencies to address our issues without creating more bureaucracy through the party system.

Fair taxes are one key to making the system work.

Our roads and mass transit have not kept pace with the growth of the state. Our education system has failed to meet the expectations of parents and our community. Our environment is steadily declining with the strain of increasing population. The state is losing its soul.

We must unite, innovate, and become who we all know we can be. We can be a world-class leader in the issues that we as Washingtonians care about.

It is time to move the bar to par excellence. We collectively have the knowledge and capital to accomplish great things. We just need leadership that will take us there without the influences of special interest money or party platforms.

Vote Tudor!



## Javier O. Lopez

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### Biographical Information

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Retired

**Education:** Graduate from California Polytechnic University. BA in Political Science, Minor in Public Administration.

**Family:** Married to Aurora Lopez for 44 years, have 3 children.

**Significant Career Experience:** As an artist and inventor I have come up with an invention that will solve all of the world's problems. I have invented an *air engine* that has the power to

operate an automobile while relying on air as its fuel source. Adoption of this technology would mean an end to reliance on fossil fuels, stopping carbon-monoxide emissions, pollution and global warming.

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### Candidate Statement

Honesty, Ethics and integrity, these values have been missing in government far too long and it's time to make a change!

There are many issues that our state government must address during the governor's next term. Washington voters must decide whether they should bring back to Olympia those candidates and incumbents who claim their solutions to these issues will fix the problems. The sad truth is that they have spent their careers in government and are an integral part of the problem themselves.

The people of Washington are my number one priority and I pledge that your voice will be heard and acted upon while I am your Governor. I will be the Governor for all Washingtonians. The time for you to have a real voice in Olympia is *now*.

I am an outspoken critic of waste and fraud in government and work tirelessly to remind our state government that they work for the people of Washington. For too long our government in Olympia has felt they do not have to listen to the people. How

many times did we vote for \$30.00 license tabs before we were finally heard? Do we remember that we voted to limit spending in our government? Yet the legislature, with the blessing of the governor, has continually found ways to circumvent that law.

I am also passionate about the children of our state. I am appalled by the growing trend of acceptance from the media regarding sexual abuse of our school children by members of the educational profession. *The children of Washington are the lifeblood of the future*. They are the Governors, Legislators, Judges and Presidents of tomorrow and we must do everything in our power to protect our children.

I pledge to all Washingtonians that I will always work for you. Vote!

## Governor (Partisan Office)



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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Self Employed Medical Doctor

**Education:** M.D. Ph.D Preventive and Social Medicine, University of Madrid, Spain, Diploma in Public Health University of Toronto, Canada and Three Board Certifications in Medicine.

**Elected Experience:** Represented Washington State in the National Platform Committee in 1988 held different position on Grant County Democratic Committee.

**Family:** Three children, one a physician, one a media personality and a daughter that will attend Seattle University Law School.

**Significant Career Experience:** Experienced in health care probably the best plan of any candidate including presidents. Involved nationally and internationally for Human Rights, Peace, and Reconciliation.

#### **Candidate Statement**

I am on a mission to assert Washington State leadership for other States joining for positive changes.

If elected Governor I will do or promote the following with help from legal experts.

1. WITHDRAW WASHINGTON NATIONAL GUARD FROM IRAQ IMMEDIATELY. The unfair Iraqi occupation was engineered by New Conservative for Israel. Request for Freedom Of Information Act November 14, 2005 with their answer November 21, 2005 control number COPS2006004 is still pending to prove evidence.

2. AMEND CONSTITUTION, article 1, section 8, paragraph 11, so War Power Act be delegated to States Legislators not Congress.

3. AMEND CONSTITUTION, article 1, section 8, paragraph 3, so individual States can compete for overseas businesses without interference from Federal Government. I will lead trade mission to Cuba, Venezuela, Iran, Syria etc.

4. PROMOTE ONE STATE SOLUTION FOR PALESTINIAN-ARAB ISRAELI CONFLICT, so Jews, Christians and Muslims can live in Secular State like ours.

Other issues are in my platform.

Finally I would like to sound the alarm, that AIPAC and other Jewish Zionist Lobbies who represent less than 2% of American People are using the United States through their mighty power in the News Media, Financial Institutions, Hollywood and Entertainment Industry, Both Political Parties, Congress and the White House as Proxy to wage war against any country perceived to be threat to Israel, like in Iraq. This will lead us into conflicts for generations with Arab and Muslim World. This has got to stop!

This Movement Campaign to get back our country from being influenced by foreign governments. This way we honor our founding father, George Washington's farewell speech 1796, "Against the insidious wiles of foreign influence is one of the most baneful foes of the Republic Government."

Websites of interest: drsaid.net, wrmea.com, Vanunu Mordechai, Islamweb.net, plands.org, normanfinkelstein.com, Naturi Karta, Aljazeera.net/English .



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### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** AIRPLANE INSPECTOR FOR THE BOEING CO.

**Education:** Graduated from Norte Vista High School in Riverside, CA in 1983. Criminal justice degree from Everett Community College in 2004.

**Elected Experience:** Elected Treasurer for The Moose Lodge (A nonprofit organization)

**Family:** Wife Dori, Proud Father of 4 sons Craig, Jeff, Daniel, Brian. Eight brothers and sisters. 1 Cat, 1 Dog

**Significant Career Experience:** 2002 returned to school and worked internships with the Department of Corrections and the Washington State Patrol Crime Lab. After graduation went to work for the Department of Corrections as a corrections officer, returning to Boeing in 2006. 11 years as a child advocate. Community Organizer.

### **Candidate Statement**

Today is a start in an effort to take back our government and return it to the people. A time to put a stop to the government's waste of *THE PEOPLES* tax dollars and put our focus back on education, health care, alternative energy and the environment. A time to put a stop to the injustice to families in this state by holding public officials accountable for the job the people pay them to do.

*TIME FOR TALK IS OVER; IT IS TIME TO TAKE ACTION.*

What about constitutional issues? We need to protect those rights or your elected official will continue to take them away. It is time to put into office a leader that is not afraid to take the necessary action to do what is right for the people.

A leader that is a true patriot that stands by the *UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION* and the men and women who fight and die defending it.

Have we forgotten our *Pledge of Allegiance*? "*Indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for all.*" Have we forgotten "*by the people for the people?*"

Have we forgotten the importance of the *CONSTITUTION, THE BILL OF RIGHTS* and what they stand for? *Families are the cornerstone of the strength of this country.*

My name is James White and I will fight for the people of this great state. I will defend the *CONSTITUTIONAL FREEDOMS* that we are guaranteed. When elected I will do everything in my power to eliminate the waste of your tax dollars.

It is now time to lead again at a global level and a higher standard.

*VOLUNTEER AND DONATE NOW*

Join our efforts to elect James White for Governor.

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## Lieutenant Governor (Partisan Office)



### Brad Owen

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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Lieutenant Governor, State of Washington

**Education:** Graduate of Frankfurt American High School, Frankfurt, Germany; Honorary Doctorate Walla Walla University

**Elected Experience:** Lieutenant Governor 1997-present, State Senate 1983-1997, State House of Representatives 1976-1983, City of Shelton Finance Commissioner 1976-1980

**Family:** Married to wife Linda, 3 daughters, 3 adopted sons 2 from Korea, 13 grandchildren

**Significant Career Experience:** Boeing worker, Small Businessman for 22 years, Founder, Manager and President of Strategies for Youth since 1989

#### **Candidate Statement**

Brad Owen is an accomplished leader who gets things done! He was elected as Washington State's fifteenth lieutenant governor in 1996 and reelected by large majorities in his last two campaigns.

Brad Owen is dedicated to making Washington a state for healthy kids and safe communities. He has made substance abuse prevention and child welfare a top priority of his office. As president of Strategies of Youth, he travels throughout the state with his musical, multi media program to deliver positive messages about substance abuse and bullying awareness to youth. He partnered with the National Shooting Sports Foundation to promote Project ChildSafe, which distributed 240,000 free safety gunlocks throughout the state and is co-chair of Washington State Mentors.

Brad Owen is a strong advocate for economic development. He has traveled throughout the world promoting Washington State's products and economy. He was recently awarded the Spanish order of knighthood by order of the King of Spain for his work in promoting economic development, education, culture and peace.

Brad Owen is an avid sportsman and environmentalist. He will continue to work to maintain our unique lifestyle that centers on our love for the outdoors.



### Marcia McCraw

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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Licensed to practice law: Washington; New York; California and Hawaii. Specialize in health care; hospitality; business law.

**Education:** Cornell University; Hong King University; Western New England College School of Law. Speak fluent Mandarin Chinese; conversational French; Spanish and Japanese

**Elected Experience:** Makiki Council, Honolulu, Hawaii

**Family:** Divorced; two adult children

**Significant Career Experience:** Administrative Law Judge, New York State Dept. of Labor; Director, Legal Affairs - Aegis Living; Director of Administration AFM Hospitality Co; Volunteer/Community: USO Puget Sound Board; AIPAC; U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum Council; United Way of King County; YWCA;

Weitzmann Institute of Science and Technology; Pacific Science Center; Woodland Park Zoological Society

#### **Candidate Statement**

If you elect me Lt. Governor of Washington, I will support open and transparent government conducting the official duties fairly and honestly.

I will use public service to promote what is best in Washington.

I have lived in Asia and worked in international trade. Trade and tourism offer great benefits to the people of Washington. Whether they grow apples or wheat, bottle wine, build airplanes or write code, people in these businesses are the backbone of Washington. I will work to keep them strong.

You may have noticed that when any problem surfaces, Olympia mandates expensive programs.

My community experience has shown me that we have the opportunity to incorporate the power of volunteerism into our state. Using technology and thousands of willing volunteer organizations, we can create a statewide database that matches willing volunteers and those who need our help – the aged, the homeless, at-risk youth, every good cause.

Let's put the energy of Washingtonians to work now.

I'm running for Lieutenant Governor to work with you to renew Washington. It is time to change one party rule in Olympia and embrace diversity and balanced opinion.

I ask for your support and vote.



# Lieutenant Governor (Partisan Office)

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### Biographical Information

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Retiree. Currently owns and manages residential rental property in the Spokane Valley area.

**Family:** Native of Minnesota, has lived in the Spokane Valley since 1989. Married for 40 years, now widowed. Mother of one son. Active in church and teaching Sunday school and Bible studies since the age of 13.

**Significant Career Experience:** Former Republican party activist who worked extensively in the Goldwater Presidential campaign and later supported the Ronald Reagan gubernatorial and Presidential campaigns. Now an active member of the Constitution Party of Washington and member of the Constitution Party National Committee.



## Jim Wiest

(Prefers G.O.P. Party)

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### Biographical Information

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Small Business Owner, Entrepreneur and private investor

**Education:** Graduate of Pacific Lutheran University, BBA in Personnel Management, Accounting and Computer Science

**Family:** Married to Kathleen Wiest, 2 children, 6 grandchildren

**Significant Career Experience:** Former Department of Social and Health Services employee for 23 years

### Candidate Statement

As a member of the Constitution Party, I believe in placing sound governing principles ahead of politics, pragmatism, and the popularity contest that electioneering has devolved into.

Contrary to what some would have us believe, government is not an amoral entity. Every person elected to office will govern according to the influence of their personal moral values and spiritual beliefs, therefore, it is merely a question of whose values will be imposed.

I acknowledge that our rights come from God and are not dispensed by government. The proper function of government is to safeguard those rights, not regulate them.

I support small, unintrusive government, strictly limited to the role delegated to it by the Washington State and US Constitutions. All decisions made while in office will be based on these documents and Biblically prescribed moral values designed to protect the fabric of our society.

Though some may bristle at the thought of bringing together Christian belief and affairs of civil government, I firmly believe, as did the Rev. Charles G. Finney, that “God will bless or curse this nation (and our state) according to the course Christians take in politics.”

It is time to take a stand.

### Candidate Statement

I would like to thank the 1,193,000 Washingtonians who voted for me in the 2004 General Election. Your support for the Republican ideals I stand for won us the Primary nomination against two other fine opponents. Last time you voted for me, I was campaigning on a “real world” jobs creation platform; and in our State, jobs were created. But in your case, did you personally find a job, or better job, than the one you hopefully had 4 years ago?

With Dino Rossi and myself back on the ballot again, we have a chance to correct the mistakes made since that November Election day, four years ago.

Having served in the United States Navy from 1968 to 1972, I have resided in Grays Harbor and Thurston counties during the past 36 years, since my honorable discharge.

I was with the Department of Social and Health Services for 23 years.

Since my DSHS departure 6½ years ago, I have been a Small Business owner, Entrepreneur and private investor.

This election, I am the *only* candidate with a plan to “End Homelessness (in Washington State) NOW!”

Go to [www.EndHomelessnessNow.info](http://www.EndHomelessnessNow.info) for details and VOTE JIM WIEST your next Lt. Governor.

## Lieutenant Governor (Partisan Office)

No  
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Submitted

### Randel Bell

(Prefers Democratic Party)

No statement submitted.



## Military and Overseas Voters

Election officials in Washington State work hard to ensure that all military and overseas voters receive their ballots in time to be returned and counted.

In order to accomplish this, county elections departments have added services such as:

- Faxed ballots;
- Emailed ballots;
- Ballots by mail; and
- Priority mail or other delivery services.

Military and other Washington State voters living overseas may request a ballot by contacting their county elections department, listed in the back of this pamphlet, or by completing the Federal Post Card Application at [www.fvap.gov](http://www.fvap.gov).

# Secretary of State (Partisan Office)

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## Sam Reed

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### Biographical Information

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Secretary of State since 2001.

**Education:** Attended Washington State University and earned a Bachelor's Degree in Social Studies and Master's Degree in Political Science.

**Elected Experience:** Two terms as Secretary of State, and five terms as Thurston County Auditor.

**Family:** Sam and Margie have been married for more than 40 years and have two children and two grandchildren. Secretary Reed, whose family lived in Washington in territorial days, grew up in Wenatchee. His family moved to Spokane where he graduated from Lewis and Clark High School.

**Significant Career Experience:** Served as Assistant Secretary of State. Served as Director of the Governor's Urban Affairs and Constitutional Reform Commissions.

### Candidate Statement

Since becoming Secretary of State, Sam Reed has worked diligently to strengthen electoral integrity, make government more accessible, and preserve our heritage.

Throughout his eight years in office, Sam led major election reforms: Consolidating 39 separate county registration systems into one statewide database to remove duplicate voters, felons, and deceased voters; moving the primary to August so those overseas can receive their ballots in a timely manner; ending ballot enhancements; and auditing county election departments.

Sam kept fighting for your right to vote without being restricted to a party, and was ultimately supported by the U.S. Supreme Court.

Thanks to Sam, you can now go online to register to vote, start a business, or research your family genealogy. He saved and enhanced Washington's oldest institution, the State Library, and he started the nation's first state digital archive.

*"We have more work to do to restore trust and confidence in the elections process and preserve our history. In the next four years I pledge to bring a new level of transparency and access to state government, and I will continue to lead the fight for fair and accurate elections while protecting voter rights and privacy."*

–Sam Reed



## Mark Greene

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### Biographical Information

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Administrative Clerk/Paralegal

**Education:** Graduate of Inver Hills College, A.A.S.

**Significant Career Experience:** Military Veteran: USMC, 1972 – 1974; USCG, 1975. Established free-lance legal research business in 1992. Won Democratic Party nominations for U.S. Representative, Alaska, in 2000 and 2002. Chairman of the Committee of Commons & Political Affairs since 2004. Founded the Party of Commons in 2006; chairman since November, 2006.

### Candidate Statement

#### *Top 2*

The recently reinstated Top 2 Primary, now, ensures our right to vote for ANY candidate in primaries. Speaking as chairman of a minor party, this is, basically, an egalitarian system, although, the election system, generally, needs reforming.

#### *Initiatives*

Powerful forces in the state are doing everything they can to overturn "Top 2" and to make the Initiative system a toothless tiger. They have been thwarted, thus far, thankfully. I will continue to defend "Top 2" and will fight against any attempt to make initiatives harder to get on the ballot or to collect signatures.

#### *The Ballot*

Surely, the same powerful forces will use this election to bring about their goals. I am confident, however, that voters will be able to tell which candidates support "Top 2" and Initiatives and which do not.

#### *Democracy*

There's no democracy if the vote is not counted correctly. I would not endorse machines from controversial manufacturers, nor machines that cannot be audited through a paper trail. Random, professional checks and whistleblowers are essential, as well as a moratorium on the complete control of elections by major parties.

## Secretary of State (Partisan Office)



### Jason Osgood

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#### Biographical Information

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Product development in healthcare information technology for MedPlus, Inc.

**Elected Experience:** Over twenty years experience in design and management of software products, current projects improve patient care and control health care costs. Activism: Nationally recognized advocate for fair elections. Opinion blogger of the issue of elections and open government. Volunteered for 8 years with Audubon, active in professional software communities.

**Family:** I have one son, a junior in high school, who is an Eagle Scout.

#### Candidate Statement

New technologies continue to make administering elections and public records more complex. It is time for a technology expert, not a lifelong bureaucrat, to lead this office at this time.

My name is Jason Osgood. I am the right person for this job.

Few citizens realize the integrity of our elections, our very democracy, is under siege.

Sloppy counting, and the certification of voting machines that cannot be relied upon for accuracy, affects all candidates and undermines voter confidence.

Voters in Ohio and Florida have seen outrageous violations of voting rights, and the incumbent has allowed the same disgraced machines and procedures to be used here in Washington.

He has allowed cronies to sell software to counties that identifies each voter's ballot with unique barcodes.

Recurring election problems have eroded voter confidence in the system.

As your Secretary of State, I will stop the damage, and restore confidence in our voting systems.

My platform is simple and clear: 1. Ensure the accurate public vote count; 2. Protect voter access and privacy; 3. Actively promote open government.

This year, voting for me presents a credible alternative to the status quo, a choice of a public servant who will protect our democracy.



### Marilyn Montgomery

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#### Biographical Information

**Significant Career Experience:** \* 18+ Years as the First Woman City Clerk of the City of Spokane \* Past Recipient: "Leadership Spokane" Award \* Special Commendation from Spokane City Council for exemplary service to the Police & Fire Pension Boards \* Efficiency Commendation from the State Auditor's representative for excellent management procedures in administering the financial records and payments of the Police Medical and Pension Benefits \* Special Commendation from Spokane City Council for securing and implementing the 1988 International Institute of Municipal Clerks' Annual Conference, hosting 1200 delegates at Spokane, resulting in over \$3 million in revenue to Spokane's local business community.

#### Candidate Statement

All Washingtonians may not be aware that the 2004 General Election had numerous serious, illegal election-related violations. This is egregious. You may read these enumerated online in the February 2005 Evergreen Freedom Foundation Report. Virtually *no* procedures were in place to verify whether persons who voted were actually eligible to vote, *impacting all candidates and parties*.

As a Washington citizen, I am extremely concerned that ballots across the state be handled *uniformly*; that *procedures are in place* to protect our election system from possible fraud; that we *ensure that all votes are tallied*. I propose we institute Indiana's very successful Photo ID law immediately.

It is incumbent on any and all citizens willingly to step up to offer their services where they feel they can work for the benefit of their fellow citizens, whatever their party affiliation. As a member of the Constitution Party—the party of our founding fathers and the third largest party in the nation—I offer my many years' experience to serve as your Secretary of State. I promise to follow all basic election laws in a fair and full vote tally of lawfully cast ballots, *ending election fiasco!*

I will greatly appreciate your vote.



## Allan Martin

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### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Assistant State Treasurer

**Education:** Washington State University, BA in Social Sciences, *magna cum laude*.

**Family:** Married to Sue Martin. Three adult children.

**Significant Career Experience:** Allan Martin served as Chelan County Treasurer 1993 – 1998. As Deputy State Treasurer for Debt Management, 1999 to 2007, he implemented two successful programs that lower borrowing costs for Washington communities, oversaw the issuance of \$13 billion in bonds and served as Secretary to the State Finance Committee. Since 1999 he has served on the Washington State Housing Finance Commission. His finance career began as a community banker working with first-time homebuyer programs and builder loans.

### **Candidate Statement**

As your current Assistant State Treasurer – the Treasurer’s top deputy – I’m honored to receive bipartisan support for State Treasurer. Retiring State Treasurer Mike Murphy, a Democrat, says *“I enthusiastically endorse Allan Martin.”* Other bipartisan endorsements include 40 current and former County Treasurers – Republicans and Democrats – from across the state. These treasurers know that this office – one of the largest banking operations in our state – is too important to sacrifice professional management for partisan politics or on-the-job training.

My experience running the daily operation of the office demonstrates my proven ability to manage and invest your tax dollars prudently and wisely. My professional experience is well balanced – in public office and private industry, and with experience both in Olympia and the local level. I worked in community banking prior to being elected Chelan County Treasurer in 1993. Since joining the State Treasurer in 1998, I implemented innovative and successful programs to provide low-cost borrowing for school districts and local governments. Being State Treasurer is about integrity, expecting excellence, and delivering it.

My wife Sue and I, both lifelong Washingtonians, are now asking for the best endorsement of all: your vote for Allan Martin for State Treasurer. Thank you.



## Jim McIntire

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### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** • State Representative, 46<sup>th</sup> District; 1998-current • Economist, Navigant Consulting, Inc.; 1999-current • Faculty, UW Evans School of Public Affairs; 1983-current

**Education:** • PhD, Economics, UW • Master of Public Policy, Univ. Michigan • BA, Macalester

**Elected Experience:** • State Representative, 46<sup>th</sup> District; 1998-current

**Family:** • Three children; graduated Seattle Public Schools

**Significant Career Experience:** • Chair, Economic and Revenue Forecast Council, 2003-current • Chair, House Finance Committee, 2003-06 • Director, UW Fiscal Policy Center; 1993-98 • Chair, Washington Community Economic Revitalization Board; 1994-98 • Chair, Common Ground (nonprofit housing developer) 1992-98 • Fiscal Policy Advisor, Governor Booth Gardner; 1985-88 • Research Scientist, Battelle; 1983-85

### **Candidate Statement**

The only candidate with experience in private, public, and academic sectors, State Representative Jim McIntire brings 30 years of hands-on financial leadership to the office of State Treasurer.

*The Right Experience:* Chair of the Washington Economic and Revenue Forecast Council, McIntire demands that economic forecasts are non-partisan and accurate.

As House Finance Committee Chair, McIntire won audits of tax breaks, and sponsored voter-approved “Rainy Day” fund legislation.

A private-sector economist, McIntire helps businesses and investors make smart choices.

McIntire teaches economics and government to graduate students in public administration at the UW.

*The Right Values:* The Treasurer’s role is more than spreadsheets and bond ratings—it’s about protecting taxpayers and building equity with sound, long term investments.

Jim McIntire has the best skills and relationships to work with the Governor, legislature, and voters to plan responsibly for our financial future.

A consistent voice for small business, working families, kids, and the environment, Jim brings our values to the Treasurer’s office.

*The Right Choice:* Official Democratic Party Nominee; Endorsements: Washington Education Assn, State Labor Council, Credit Union League, NARAL, Senate Leader Lisa Brown, Speaker Frank Chopp, over 90 legislators and dozens of county treasurers, assessors, business and community leaders.

## State Treasurer (Partisan Office)



### ChangMook Sohn

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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** former Executive Director for Washington State's Economic and Revenue Forecast Council, 1983-2008

**Education:** Ph.D. in Economics, State University of New York, Albany; B.A. in Economics, Yonsei University in Seoul, South Korea

**Family:** Married to Sukjoo Sohn, with two children

**Significant Career Experience:** KCTS Television Board of Directors, Group Health Cooperative Board of Trustees, Higher Education Coordinating Board 1995-2000, Association of Washington Business Award for Outstanding Achievement in Public Policy 2007, Governor's Distinguished Management Leadership Award, Co-founder, Pacific International Bank, *Seattle Times* 100

People of Influence in Washington 1995, Asian-American Pioneer Award by *NW Asian Weekly* 1997

#### **Candidate Statement**

I believe the responsibility of the State Treasurer is to *protect the taxpayer's pocketbook, invest our dollars wisely and provide fiscal accountability to our state dollars*. I am committed to these values and to continuing what I have done for over two decades: working to grow our state's economy and protecting your tax dollars.

*For 23 years it has been an honor serving as Washington State's Chief Economist – weathering three recessions and delivering economic reports that have helped create over 1 million jobs in our state.*

As Executive Director of Washington's Economic Revenue Forecast Council, *I worked closely with both Democratic and Republican Governors* to deliver sound economic reports that, in turn, grew Washington's economy. I have urged against risky proposals like implementing a state income tax. Additionally, I helped create our state's Guaranteed Education Tuition (GET) program which has allowed more than 80,000 Washington families to save thousands of dollars on tuition costs.

I am proud to have earned the bipartisan support of Governor Gary Locke, former State Treasurer Dan Grimm, Snohomish County Executive Aaron Reardon, former State Senator Dan McDonald, and many leaders in the business, labor, higher education, and health care communities.

Thank you for your vote.

# State Auditor (Partisan Office)

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**Brian Sonntag**  
(Prefers Democratic Party)

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### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** State Auditor.

**Education:** University of Puget Sound 1971-1972; Tacoma Community College 1970-71; Certified Government Financial Manager; TCC Distinguished Alumni Award 2007.

**Elected Experience:** Pierce County Clerk, Pierce County Auditor, State Auditor.

**Family:** Wife Jann – they have five sons and three grandchildren. Brian’s father, Jack, County Auditor 1948-1969. Brother, Dick, served on Tacoma City Council and Tacoma School Board. Brother, Jack, a teacher, coach, administrator, Tacoma School District.

**Significant Career Experience:** National Auditors Performance Audit Committee; received Newspaper Publishers’ *Freedom’s Light Award* and Municipal League’s *Warren G. Magnuson Award*; board member Washington Coalition for Open Government, United Way, Boys and Girls Club; YMCA volunteer, youth baseball and basketball coach.

### **Candidate Statement**

“*Brian* is a real champion for Washington’s taxpayers. Trust, Independence, integrity, accountability. That’s *Brian*,” former Governor Booth Gardner.

As Auditor, *Sonntag* received the Newspaper Publisher’s “Freedom’s Light Award” for making government open and responsive. Fought to advance rights and protections of state employee whistleblowers. Used performance audits to identify \$3.2 billion in cost savings and unnecessary spending. Named Tacoma Community College 2007 Distinguished Alum.

*Sonntag* actively engages citizens throughout Washington getting ideas to make government better. *Governing* magazine called this a “one-of-a-kind effort to bring citizens back into the decision-making fold.”

Brian is supported across Washington. Here’s what some newspapers have said: “Sonntag has shown the aggressiveness and integrity needed as an independent auditor for the state.” (*Seattle Times*) “(Sonntag) is hands down one of the most savvy, diligent and effective state auditors. . .ever.” (*Yakima Herald-Republic*)

Brian raised the visibility and credibility of the office and works to make sure government’s doors are open to citizens. *The Seattle Times* called Brian “one of the best public servants produced by this state.”

Brian is endorsed by business, labor, community leaders and others, but the most important is your vote.

Hire Brian Sonntag your State Auditor.



**Glenn Freeman**  
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### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Quality Assurance Specialist, Boeing Company (19 years)

**Education:** Graduate of Renton High School and Northwest University, with a BA in Organizational Management; as a youth I achieved the highest rank in Boy Scouts, Eagle Scout

**Family:** I am 40 years old, married 17 years to my wife Annette and have two teenagers. We attend Kent Covenant Church where I perform usher duties. We enjoy camping with friends.

**Significant Career Experience:** Internal Audit experience and previous manager of Boeing Commercial Airplanes Internal Audit Organization (16 auditors). I recently stepped aside as Chairman of the Constitution Party of Washington for campaign run.

### **Candidate Statement**

With the incumbent in office since 1993, it’s time for a fresh set of eyes to examine how government fulfills its duties to serve the public. The office of Auditor especially is one where there should be no risk of long incumbency leading to “comfort zones” in the office itself or agencies examined. This is especially the case in partisan elections.

As your Auditor, I will work to make the office non-partisan. As it stands, there is always the potential for doubt or suspicion when the very government agencies or programs the Auditor is examining were put in place by the Auditor’s own party. Until that change can come about, I will bring no bias, politics, or special interests to the position, just an ability to be a truly independent Auditor.

Performance audits are very effective if they are searching and thorough. I would put failure markers in place. If an audit showed that a failure marker had been reached, then a recommendation of abolishment of an entire program would not be out of the question. I believe taxpayers deserve nothing less.

It’s time for new ideas and fresh eyes on government.

## State Auditor (Partisan Office)



### J. Richard (Dick) McEntee

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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Vice President and Chief Government Compliance Officer for an Edmonds based Investment Advisory firm. Management Consulting Company CEO.

**Education:** Bachelor of Chemical Engineering, Villanova University. Completed American Management Association and IBM programs in management and finance.

**Elected Experience:** Elected to Fircrest City Council; Pierce County Council appointment, the Economic Development Corporation; appointed by Governor Gardner, the Food Processing Advisory Commission; 28<sup>th</sup> District Leader; University Place Public Safety Commission.

**Family:** Dick and his late wife Kathy have 6 children and 12 grandchildren.

**Significant Career Experience:** Executive, Nalley's Fine Foods; served our Nation in the US Army; St. Joseph Hospital Trustee; Treasurer, County Republican Party.

#### **Candidate Statement**

Sixteen years of the State Auditor's partisan inaction and four years of failure by the Governor are enough. Seek leadership. Find the truly trustworthy Professional to fulfill your hope for a better Washington—Elect Dick McEntee.

Two issues require urgent attention—Dick pled for these in the 2000 race. Then, the Auditor avoided, or was unable to persuade legislators to fund Performance Audits. We passed Initiative 900 in 2005. Since then, the Auditor has amassed over \$30 million of tax dollars—some has been spent conducting meager Performance Audits but, *with the Governor's lack of leadership and the partisan legislature and Auditor's stalling, millions in promised savings languish*. It's sad. Will we ever see over \$1 billion in savings that should be returned to us?

Second, budgets of schools, cities, and others audited by the State are strained; yet, Auditor fees spiral ever higher. This isn't fair!

Dick is exceptionally well qualified to serve his State as Auditor. He is a proven leader in business and government affairs. His untiring, loyal government, public and community service is remarkable. He can persuade the legislature to implement Performance Audit recommendations. Dick will work only for the interests of our State's citizens.



# Attorney General (Partisan Office)



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## **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Pierce County Executive

**Education:** [1967] Graduated Stadium High School, Tacoma, Washington [1971] Graduated Gonzaga University, Spokane, Washington, Degree: Political Science B.A. (Honors) [1974] Graduated Gonzaga University, Spokane, Washington, Degree: Juris Doctor

**Elected Experience:** [1982-1986] Tacoma City Councilman [1986-2000] Pierce County Prosecuting Attorney [2001 - Current] Pierce County Executive

**Family:** The third of 16 children, John Ladenburg was born in Leavenworth, WA. John married his wife, Connie, 39 years ago. John and Connie have five grown children and eight grandchildren.

**Significant Career Experience:** [1976-1986] Managed own private practice in Tacoma [1977] Admitted to United States Supreme Court

## **Candidate Statement**

Pierce County Executive John Ladenburg will bring hands-on experience in criminal justice, financial management, and consumer protection to an office that should be run for the people, not self promotion.

A four-term elected County Prosecutor, John helped write the state's first sex offender monitoring legislation, reduced violent drug crimes, and prosecuted polluters.

As Attorney General, John will focus on issues that impact our lives.

**IDENTITY THEFT AND CONSUMER PROTECTION:** Washington is the 2<sup>nd</sup> worst state in the nation for consumer fraud and 9<sup>th</sup> worst for identity theft. John will increase enforcement and improve tracking and sentencing. Why are we paying the highest gas prices in the nation? John will get answers, not make excuses.

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION:** John has a history of defending our air, water, climate and open space and will continue to do so.

**SAFEGUARDING KIDS AND SENIORS:** Online predators and scam artists prey on our most vulnerable. John has actual courtroom experience and will use his skills to track down and punish those who abuse kids and seniors.

**INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS:** John doesn't waffle on issues like reproductive choice or other personal freedoms. He will fight efforts to roll back our rights at the federal or state level.



**Rob McKenna**  
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## **Biographical Information**

**Education:** Law degree, University of Chicago (member, Law Review). B.A.'s, Economics & International Studies, University of Washington (with Honors; student body president).

**Family:** Rob and Marilyn, his wife of 22 years, have four children. They make their home in Bellevue and are members of St. Louise Catholic Parish.

**Significant Career Experience:** Elected as Attorney General in 2004. Elected to three terms on the King County Council. Attorney, Perkins Coie law firm. Board member, Bellevue Community College Foundation. Volunteer fundraiser, Eastside Domestic Violence Program. Eagle Scout; Executive board member, Boy Scouts, Chief Seattle Council.

## **Candidate Statement**

Attorney General Rob McKenna has proven he's a skilled, capable leader who protects Washington's families, children and consumers from 21<sup>st</sup> Century crime.

As Washington's top cop, McKenna increased state protection of children from sex predators. He clamped down on identity thieves and successfully fought the methamphetamine epidemic.

McKenna wrote the nation's first law allowing facilities where children congregate to ban convicted sex offenders. He successfully fought for: • more mandatory prison time for sex predators • stricter registration and • making child pornography possession a ranked felony.

Thanks in large measure to McKenna's Meth Task Force: • methamphetamine labs are down 90% vs. 2001 and • meth's street price has doubled. His efforts produced new narcotics task forces and more drug treatment. McKenna also focuses on prevention and has personally spoken to 30,000 students about this extremely dangerous drug.

Since McKenna took office, Washington has dropped six spots in ID theft rankings. Thanks to his legislation, consumers can now freeze their credit before they become victims of identity theft.

Rob McKenna personally argued and won two U.S. Supreme Court victories for Washington voters. Winning the Top Two primary case means the people – not political parties – choose our election system.

# Commissioner of Public Lands (Partisan Office)



## Peter J. Goldmark

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### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Second generation Okanogan wheat and cattle rancher for over 35 years.

**Education:** Peter graduated from Okanogan High School and received a PhD in molecular biology.

**Elected Experience:** Two-term Okanogan School Board Member

**Family:** Together, Peter and his wife Georgia raised their five children on the family ranch. All of his children attended Okanogan High School. Sadly, Georgia succumbed to cancer in 2003. Peter remarried in 2004 and is hopeful that one or more of his children will continue the family's legacy on the ranch.

**Significant Career Experience:** Former Director of the Washington Department of Agriculture, molecular biologist and wheat breeder, volunteer wildland firefighter, and WSU Regent.

### **Candidate Statement**

A lifelong Okanogan Rancher, former WSU Regent, volunteer firefighter and rural school board director, Peter Goldmark will restore balance and trust to the management of our public lands.

#### **Sustainable Forest Management**

Every year we lose valuable forest— along with jobs and public access—to sprawl development and unsustainable logging practices. Peter will protect forests and jobs by enforcing rules that protect neighbors from steep-slope logging and reforming policies that sell public forest to developers for one-time gain.

#### **Clean Rivers and Puget Sound**

Lack of leadership undermines the Puget Sound cleanup efforts. Peter will provide needed leadership to protect farms and fish and help restore the Puget Sound.

#### **Healthy Schools and Communities**

Proceeds from timber sales benefit rural school construction and communities depend on public land for jobs and recreation. A rancher and outdoorsman whose five kids attended rural schools, Peter Goldmark will defend our rural way of life.

#### **Addressing Climate Change**

Peter will manage forests and water to address climate change. This is an opportunity to create green jobs, improve state revenue, and protect our children's future.

**ENDORSED:** Washington Education Association, Washington State Labor Council, Washington Conservation Voters, farmers and ranchers, Senators Cantwell and Murray, and community leaders statewide.

President, Western States Lands Commissioner Association, 2004-05; Current board member, Mountains to Sound Greenway

### **Candidate Statement**

Doug Sutherland grew up in Eastern Washington working on farms and fighting forest fires as a smokejumper, so taking care of the land comes naturally.

Doug knows how important forest jobs are to rural communities. He replaced outdated forest policies that had previously led to massive fires and habitat destruction. Coming from a union household, he stands beside workers, instituting new fitness rules for firefighter safety – and meeting them himself.

A former small business owner, Doug runs government like a business because good business and environmentally responsible stewardship go hand in hand. He created projects offering wind power to thousands of Washington homes, removing contaminants from Puget Sound and encouraging responsible forestry so family forest landowners can leave a legacy for their children. His sustainable forestry plan is the first to protect old growth, dramatically improve forest health and open thousands of miles of salmon habitat in forest streams.

A collaborative approach and diverse background earned Doug support from leaders of both parties like Governor Dan Evans and Democratic House Speaker Brian Ebersole.

Doug is proud of Washington's success, protecting forests and creating jobs. They are the priorities he learned growing up and are his priorities as Lands Commissioner.



## Doug Sutherland

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### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Public Lands Commissioner

**Education:** B.A. in History, Central Washington University, 2001 "Distinguished Alumni" Award

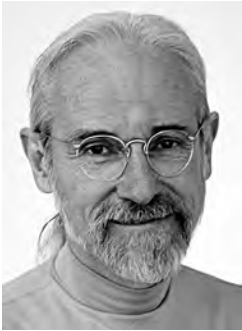
**Elected Experience:** Tacoma Mayor, 1982-1990; Pierce County Executive, 1993-2000

**Family:** Doug and Grace have six grown children and seven grandchildren

**Significant Career Experience:** Owner, Tacoma Tent and Awning, 1971-92; Chair, Puget Sound Air Quality Authority, 1982-89; Board member, Tacoma Urban League, 1992-2000; Co-Chair, Commencement Bay Cleanup Action Committee, 1994-95; Co-Chair, Salmon Task Force, 1995-2000; James Ellis Regional Leadership Award, 1999; US County Executive of the Year, 2000;

# Superintendent of Public Instruction (Nonpartisan Office)

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### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Owner, Thermal Control Inc. (HVAC&R Service Company)

**Education:** Haverford College, BA Sociology; Temple University, Masters Science Education

**Elected Experience:** Vashon School Board 2000-04

**Family:** Married 38 years, two daughters, and two granddaughters

**Significant Career Experience:** High School Science Teacher 1969-77; Developed and taught a high school Special Education to mainstream Science transition curriculum 1970-72; Union negotiator 1970-72; A founding and participating teacher, Cinnaminson (NJ) Alternative High School (170 students) 1972-76 ; A founding and participating parent, Vashon (WA) Parent Involvement Program Alternative Elementary School (40 students) 1983-90; Candidate

for Superintendent of Public Instruction 2004, finished 3<sup>rd</sup> of 6 candidates, 92,000 votes, 9% of the vote statewide.

### **Candidate Statement**

Every family should have the right, the opportunity and funds to *individualize the public education* for each of their own children. Therefore, I propose a Public *Education* System, parallel to the existing Public *School* System, consisting of:

Voluntary *Individual Student Trust Accounts*, created and funded annually using each student's existing \$9000 state education voucher. With approval, each student's parents may spend these accumulating funds at the registered *Public Education Program(s)* of their choice. A registered *Public Education Program* would be any educational program, regardless of ownership, which: accepts only trust funds as tuition, i.e. "free"; fills at least 80% of its openings without admission qualification, i.e. "open enrollment"; permits no organized devotional instruction or activities; and publishes measurable educational and behavioral goals for its students, students not achieving these goals may be dismissed by the program.

*Neighborhood Education Districts*, staffed by three locally elected trustees, who oversee the public educational progress of 50 to 200 participating students. The trustees must approve parental Education Program choices for students passing applicable WASL tests.

*Community Facility Districts* which own, operate and maintain public buildings. Life cycle maintenance funds will be included in the original bond funding.

If you agree, vote for John Blair.



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### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Retired; volunteer teacher for 16 classes in 7 different schools each week.

**Education:** B.S. in Fisheries, M.S. in Fisheries, and Teaching Certificate, all from the University of Washington.

**Family:** Married to Marge Keister Hansler since 1958. Three daughters and 6 grandchildren.

**Significant Career Experience:** Teacher of science and math for 13 years. Supervisor of the science program for 32 Bellevue schools for 12 years. Adjunct instructor for Seattle Pacific University since 1986. Published a 417-page college textbook on methods of teaching thinking skills. Served on numerous advisory boards in Issaquah Schools and served as district levy chairman.

### **Candidate Statement**

I have the characteristics that are essential for a Superintendent of Public Instruction who can lead this state into becoming a place where everyone has the opportunity for a good education. I recognize the need for significant changes in our state educational system in order to make it more "user-friendly" – for students, teachers, and parents. Some of the major changes that I will advocate during my term in office are the following: 1. Bonuses for teachers who are rated to be outstanding by parents of students. 2. Full state funding of K-12 education, accompanied by a ban on special levies for operations. 3. Establishment of a two-level high school diploma system: basic and advanced. 4. Revision of the WASL program, in order to eliminate some important flaws that it has. 5. Promotion of the methods of teaching that will improve students' thinking skills. Details of these changes and others that I will pursue are presented in my 3-page official campaign statement, which can be obtained by e-mailing me your US mail address at: donhansler1@aol.com .

# Superintendent of Public Instruction (Nonpartisan Office)



## Randy Dorn

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### Biographical Information

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Executive Director, Public School Employees of Washington

**Education:** M.A. Education, Pacific Lutheran University, 1980; B.A. Education, University of Idaho, 1975

**Elected Experience:** Seven years in State House of Representatives; Chairman of House Education Committee

**Family:** Lives in Eatonville with his wife, Kate, a public school librarian. They are the parents of three grown sons, one is a public school teacher, while another is studying to be a teacher.

**Significant Career Experience:** Elementary and Middle School teacher; Elementary and High School principal; Recipient:  
• National Service Award – American Vocational Association

- President’s Award – Association of Washington School Principals
- Golden Gavel Award – Washington Association of School Administrators

### Candidate Statement

Terry Bergeson has had 12 years to bring reform and change to our schools. Where are we after 12 years? Still studying how to fund basic education. Still arguing about how to implement education reform. *It’s time for a change!*

The Superintendent of Public Instruction needs to be an experienced educator *and* a political leader. Randy Dorn is both.

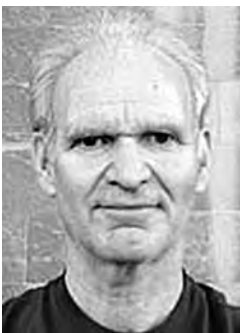
Randy was an elementary and middle school teacher and, for 10 years, an elementary and high school principal. *Randy Dorn knows the classroom.*

But *Randy Dorn also knows how to get things done in Olympia.* Randy served seven years in the House of Representatives and was Chairman of the Education Committee. Today, he is the Executive Director of Public School Employees of Washington, the state’s second largest educational employee organization.

Randy Dorn will be a forceful advocate for school funding, reminding the legislature it is their paramount duty to fully fund a basic education rather than relying on local levies.

And Randy Dorn will replace the WASL with a testing system that is more fair, more understandable, and takes less time, so testing doesn’t dominate curriculum and the school calendar.

*It’s time for Randy Dorn. Leadership...for a change.*



## David Blomstrom

Blomstrom vs The Seattle Mafia  
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### Biographical Information

**Education:** Western Washington University/Huxley and University of Alaska at Fairbanks; BS in Ecology

**Significant Career Experience:** Worked for the Seattle School District for 16 years (mostly teaching), followed by political activism, including two previous bids for this office

### Candidate Statement

*Viva Chavez!* No, I haven’t lost my mind - just my profession (teaching) and students.\* Disgusted by voter apathy, I’m trying to tap into the energy generated by Venezuela’s president. Hugo Chavez has some good ideas, too - like holding corrupt corporations accountable and nationalizing strategic industries. In fact, public education’s biggest problem is *corporate corruption*, the de facto *privatization* of our schools. Yet the media have once again turned this race into a forum on the WASL - which I’ve fought for over a decade. So why do the media ignore and even lie about me? This race has also been dominated by corrupt teachers unions, another scourge I’ve been attacking for over a decade. This isn’t a tea party, folks. We’re at war with our own government, with Corporate America, and we’re getting our butts kicked, liberals, conservatives and independents alike. Well, I’m not afraid to fight. I’m even attacking Bill Gates, right in his home town. I don’t respect software terrorists who exploit children. How can we take back America if we can’t even rescue our local schools? \*www.seattle-mafia.org - Information, blogs, forums, polls, news.



## Enid Duncan

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### Biographical Information

**Current Occupation/Employer:** CEO, Higrade Company, Edgewood, WA

**Education:** Bachelor of Fine Arts, Pacific Lutheran University and Masters of Education, Goddard College, Vermont

**Elected Experience:** City Council Member, City of Edgewood

**Family:** Married with three children

**Significant Career Experience:** Worked to help define and pass Dyslexia Pilot Program bill, former Pierce County Arts Commissioner, taught ECEAP/AVANZA early intervention program, featured in 1994 Washington CEO Magazine, worked for former First Lady of Costa Rica

### Candidate Statement

I am running because I believe the original goals of education reform have been abandoned by the current superintendent. I am committed to restoring the original goals of improving student performance and supporting quality instruction for all students. Each student is unique. I will uphold the standards and demand accountability for teaching and learning but will also work to include a variety of appropriate tools and opportunities for graduating students to demonstrate their abilities to pursue their life goals. I will go to Olympia to free us from the WASL obsession of the incumbent. I will work hard for all students in our state to insure every learning opportunity is afforded to them. Addressing learning differences (learning disabilities) are a priority for me. I will always be a champion for the rights of parents to be involved in every aspect of their child's education. I believe very strongly in fiscal responsibility and have a reputation for maximizing taxpayer's value. I want teachers to get the training and tools to provide the best education possible for all students. If you feel we can do better than we are in providing education to the children of Washington, please support me.



## Teresa (Terry) Bergeson

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### Biographical Information

**Current Occupation/Employer:** State Superintendent of Public Instruction

**Education:** B.A. in English from Emmanuel College, Master's Degree in Counseling and Guidance from Western Michigan University, Doctorate in Education from the University of Washington.

**Significant Career Experience:** Dr. Bergeson is a former classroom teacher, school counselor, school district administrator and Executive Director of the Washington State Commission on Student Learning.

### Candidate Statement

Dr. Teresa "Terry" Bergeson is a lifelong educator who has devoted her career to helping students achieve academic excellence. She cares deeply about our children and has worked tirelessly to ensure our public schools work for our students.

Today Washington leads the nation in accountability with some of the most rigorous academic standards in the U.S. Terry Bergeson led the effort to adopt these standards, and continues to strongly support them.

We know that high standards are working. In June, more than 91% of the Class of 2008 met new graduation requirements in reading and writing. Washington leads the nation in SAT scores. Academic achievement for students in all ethnic groups has improved significantly. More career and technical opportunities are available.

Just as important, Terry's courageous leadership has helped create schools that pay more personal attention to every single student. She believes every child can meet high expectations with the right amount of support, and she's a partner with our schools to make that happen.

Vote for Terry Bergeson to protect Washington's high standards, and help all of our children build strong foundations for their future.

*Terry Bergeson for Superintendent of Public Instruction: for students, for teachers, for the future.*

# Insurance Commissioner (Partisan Office)



## Mike Kreidler

(Prefers Democratic Party)

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### Biographical Information

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Insurance Commissioner, State of Washington

**Education:** Bachelor of Science, Doctor of Optometry; Pacific University • Masters Degree, Public Health; UCLA

**Elected Experience:** Mike Kreidler was elected Insurance Commissioner in 2000. He was re-elected in 2004. He also served as a school board member, state representative, state senator, and in the U.S. Congress.

**Family:** Mike Kreidler and his wife Lela have been married for more than 40 years and have three children and three grandchildren.

**Significant Career Experience:** Mike worked as an optometrist in the private sector for 20 years. He also owned a successful small

business. Commissioner Kreidler is a retired Lieutenant Colonel in the U.S. Army Reserves.

### Candidate Statement

Mike Kreidler is a strong and independent voice who has stood up to powerful interests as the state's top advocate for insurance consumers.

In his first two terms, Mike Kreidler saved consumers more than \$200 million in auto and homeowners' insurance by cutting excessive premium rates proposed by insurance companies.

His free consumer advocacy program helped consumers recover more than \$107 million for policyholders in wrongfully delayed or denied insurance claims.

Mike Kreidler is eager to continue championing and defending the rights of insurance consumers to receive fair treatment at a fair price.

The people of our state deserve affordable health insurance and Mike Kreidler has a specific proposal to cover every Washington resident, preserve choice and reduce costs. His plan will provide peace of mind with a guaranteed level of financial security in the event of a personal health crisis.

Mike Kreidler is a proven leader who has served the people of Washington with dedication, fairness and hard work. That's why he's consistently earned endorsements from consumer, labor, business, retiree, educational, and health care organizations and individuals across our state.

Please join them by retaining Mike Kreidler as your State Insurance Commissioner.



## John R. Adams

(Prefers Republican Party)

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### Biographical Information

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Owner Seattle General Agency

**Education:** Graduated from University of Washington / BA Business Administration. Many specialty industry schools

**Elected Experience:** Eight years as director; Lake Washington School Dist. 414

**Family:** My wife Starr of 39 years, two children and three grandchildren

**Significant Career Experience:** Hartford Careen program 1970; Marne underwriter 70-75; Broker at Marsh McLennan 75-79; Wholesale Underwriting 79-89; Own independent agency since 1989.

### Candidate Statement

Your Insurance Commissioner must be more than an administrator.

The Commissioner should be both an advocate for consumers and a regulator/protector of the insurance industry and possess a good working knowledge of the applicable laws.

Let's face it; one of the reasons for higher insurance costs and fewer options is a lack of consumer choice and resistance to change when change is needed.

Extreme judgments contribute to the rising insurance costs that have driven insurance companies from our state and doctors from their practices. Average families and many businesses cannot afford medical coverage/benefits.

We have all heard "If it isn't broke – don't fix it." It's time to wake up! *The system is broke – it does need fixing – we need a level playing field.*

Let's work for common sense and creative solutions. John is a Viet Nam veteran with very broad life experience and sense of fairness.

Help John Adams bring 38 years of professional experience in the insurance business to the Commissioner's office. Give him a chance to begin to fix a broken system.

Vote John Adams for Insurance Commissioner!!

# Insurance Commissioner (Partisan Office)

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## Curtis Fackler

(States No Party Preference)

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### **Biographical Information**

**Significant Career Experience:** I have an MBA in Finance with over 20 years experience in the insurance and employee benefit industry. After opening multiple insurance offices in multiple states, I saw the need for legislative changes pertaining to insurance. Testifying in Olympia on issues affecting small business, earned me the 2007 NFIB Washington State Small Business Champion Award. I serve on the Washington Department of Labor & Industries COHE committee. My volunteer experience includes being a foster parent, Boy Scout Master, and Boys and Girls Club Board Member. I spent eight years as a navigator in the Air Force.

### **Candidate Statement**

The people of Washington deserve better than we've gotten from the incumbent Insurance Commissioner. We need a regulator who will hold the insurance industry accountable, without party politics and elites of Olympia calling the shots.

That's why I am running as a non-partisan for the office that oversees an industry that takes more money out of your pocket than any other. When you add it all up, insurance premiums amount to over \$15,000 for every Washingtonian.

Unlike my opponent, I have professional credentials (MBA in Finance and past insurance and securities licenses) plus the occupational experience (ran a payroll and employee benefits business) to do the job. My record on the issues of health insurer surpluses and rates, credit scoring in underwriting, and unreasonable fees to consultants is clear.

Re-elect my opponent and you will continue to be ripped-off.

Elect me and \$1.4 billion in excess premiums will be refunded to health insurance customers. Credit scoring will be stopped. Fackler believes if you are overcharged by your health insurer you should get the money back not the state, as a new law now requires.

To find out more, see [CurtFackler.com](http://CurtFackler.com) .

## Legislative District 5 State Senator (Partisan Office)



### Phyllis Huster

(Prefers Democratic Party)

Phyllis for Senate  
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#### Biographical Information

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Owner, NetTone Consulting, Inc.

**Significant Career Experience:** With a proven track record of problem solving as a 20-year Telecommunications Executive and Procurement Manager, Phyllis has managed \$500M+ programs for major corporations including AT&T and T-Mobile USA. At Microsoft, Phyllis identified ways to deploy environmentally-friendly technology programs. Phyllis has been active in protecting voter rights as a nationally recognized expert on election reform and voting machines. She founded two successful startups. She is a published author. These experiences reinforced her belief that to govern well, government must manage the budget efficiently to reduce the burden on taxpayers and small business.



### Cheryl Pflug

(Prefers Republican Party)

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#### Biographical Information

**Current Occupation/Employer:** State Senator

**Education:** University of Washington, B.S. Nursing, pediatrics.

**Elected Experience:** State Senator '03 to present, State Representative from '99-'03

**Family:** Single mother of 4 amazing young adults, foster mother for Healing the Children, PTSA, Rotary, private pilot, outdoor enthusiast ...Cheryl Pflug understands that life doesn't always go as planned, but we help each other to flourish anyway!

**Significant Career Experience:** Ranking Member, Senate Health & Long Term Care, Deputy Minority Leader, member of Transportation, Rules, Joint Audit & Review, Joint Committee on Economic Development and International Trade, Joint Committee on Pension Policy, Working Families Caucus. Registered Nurse:

#### Candidate Statement

Phyllis Huster is running against one of the most conservative members of the legislature: someone who has one of the worst voting records on environmental issues, education funding, transportation solutions, and making health care accessible to children.

Phyllis is in step with our values: Making sure our schools are better funded to give our kids every opportunity to graduate ready to take on the world; Attracting green jobs with wages you'd want to be paid; Supporting strong growth management principles so we live in a place that matches our environmental ethic; Tackling the regional transportation mess, prioritizing mass transit people will actually use; Health care available and affordable to all.

Phyllis lives in Snoqualmie but came from farming roots working in her first Fortune 500 company before she was 34. She has served as a key consultant these past 20 years for companies like Microsoft, AT&T, T-Mobile and many others.

Phyllis believes that governing is a privilege: elected officials should be responsive to the concerns of the people they serve. She believes the incumbent has broken that trust and that we deserve better.

Phyllis Huster: In Step with the Rest of Us

critical care, surgery, family practice, school nursing.

#### Candidate Statement

Cheryl Pflug is a caring legislator whose experience and bipartisan approach gets results.

A nationally recognized leader in health care reform, Cheryl passed bills to promote Shared Decision-Making *and reduce hospital costs*, make Quality Comparisons available on line, create Treatment Alternatives for the Nonviolent Mentally Ill, and keep doctors in Washington. She authored an innovative universal access model to provide Washingtonians more plan choices and flexibility to move between jobs while keeping the quality of private-sector health insurance and reducing the cost for small employers.

Cheryl increased funding for local schools, put Simple Majority on the ballot, and fought successfully for quality math programs.

Cheryl secured hundreds of millions of dollars for local road improvements and is a vocal advocate for practical transportation planning, congestion relief, and better transit service.

Cheryl understands that good budgeting is about setting priorities, reducing bureaucratic inefficiency and *making every dollar count* – not simply raising taxes.

Cheryl Pflug was awarded the status of Washington General for Outstanding Commitment to Community and International Relations, the Guardian of Small Business Award, Providence Health System's Outstanding Effort to Improve Health Care Award, Washington Citizen Action's Sunshine Award, Issaquah Community Network Community Service Award.



# Legislative District 5

## State Representative Position 1 (Partisan Office)



### Jon Viebrock

(Prefers Democratic Party)

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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Finishing Foreman, Nelson Construction Inc, Auburn WA.

**Education:** Attended Cascadia Community College, majoring in Science, elected to executive board of Phi Theta Kappa (honor society)

**Family:** Resides in Carnation with fiancé, Karen (RN, CCM)

**Significant Career Experience:** Worked in construction trades for 19 years • veteran of U.S. Marine Corps, honorably discharged upon completion of service

#### **Candidate Statement**

For four years, the Republican incumbent has ignored increased traffic congestion, increased health care costs and has not addressed the economy or global warming. *I believe we can do better.*

As a veteran of the Marine Corps, I know about *giving back to our country and our community*. For 20 years, I have called East King County home and I have worked to make our community stronger and safer. As a lifelong fisherman, I understand what it takes to *protect our environment and quality of life*.

I would appreciate your vote so we can address the challenges our community faces.



### Jay Rodne

(Prefers Republican Party)

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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** General Counsel, King County Public Hospital District No. 4 and Snoqualmie Valley Hospital

**Education:** J.D., cum laude, Gonzaga Law School (1997) B.A., Creighton University (1988)

**Elected Experience:** -State Representative, Washington House of Representatives (2004-present) -Snoqualmie City Council (2001-2004)

**Family:** Married 15 years to Heidi; We have two kids (son Tye, age 11; daughter Kalyn, age 9)

**Significant Career Experience:** Private law practice (1999-2007); Law Clerk to the Hon. Robert Rose, Nevada Supreme Court (1997-1999); -Legal Intern to U.S. Magistrate Judge Cynthia Imbrogno (1996-97) -Officer, U.S. Marine Corps (1989-1993); -Reserve Officer, U.S. Marine Corps (Lt. Col; 1993-present)

#### **Candidate Statement**

Representative Jay Rodne has a proven record of success as our voice in Olympia. As our Representative, Jay's priorities will continue to be promoting a world-class education system, reducing traffic congestion, providing affordable health insurance for all, and ensuring fiscal responsibility. Jay will continue to work for balanced, commonsense results, as he did this year by working in a bipartisan manner to strengthen our K-12 math curriculum and to promote responsible environmental policies.

Jay listens to our concerns and he has served with integrity and dedication. Let's send Jay's enthusiasm and energy back to Olympia to continue working for us!

## Legislative District 5

### State Representative Position 2 (Partisan Office)



### David Spring

(Prefers Democratic Party)

David Spring for State House  
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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Educational Researcher, University of Washington

**Education:** Bachelor of Science Education, Washington State University; Master's Degree in Education, University of Washington

**Family:** After graduating with Honors from WSU, David served as a VISTA volunteer assisting at-risk Native American youth. David has also served on both King County and Washington State Planning Commissions. David is a 20 year resident of North Bend,

a homeowner and a frequent volunteer at his daughter's school. He and his daughter are also members of YMCA Adventure Guides.

**Significant Career Experience:** Small Business owner and manager, 10 years. Instructor, Bellevue Community College, 20 years.

#### **Candidate Statement**

Our community deserves better, more effective representation in Olympia.

We are facing ever increasing problems from traffic gridlock to overcrowded schools.

Our property and gas taxes rank among the highest in the nation.

Meanwhile, our legislature has given away *over five hundred million dollars* in tax breaks to wealthy multi-national corporations who then ship our jobs overseas.

It is time to elect a representative who understands the needs of working families.

I will represent your interests instead of the interests of corporate lobbyists.

I will work for quality schools, efficient transportation, economic security and fairer taxes. I appreciate your vote.



### Glenn Anderson

(Prefers Republican Party)

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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Business Consultant, GALA Ventures.

**Education:** BA Economics with minor in Political Science; University of Alabama. Degree focus was international trade economics and community development.

**Elected Experience:** State House of Representatives 2000-current.

**Family:** Married to Elisabeth who is my greatest blessing in life. Also 10 first cousins and their extended families including 13 extraordinary nieces and nephews. Two lovable long haired

German Shepherds (Frisko & Delphi), one very smart cat (Idaho), four loud sheep (Lena, Chocolate, Vanilla, Patches), one ingenious pygmy goat (Lashes) and a number of true friends adopted along life's path.

**Significant Career Experience:** 25 years in banking and business consulting.

#### **Candidate Statement**

Government should be open, live within its means, solve problems, be accountable and protect property rights. Glenn is a statewide education leader working for reforms to assure our children have a globally competitive education. He led a successful bipartisan statewide coalition to replace failed mathematics instruction in our schools. Glenn has a consistent record of protecting taxpayers and insisting on value and results. Glenn supports smart investments in job creation, traffic congestion relief, environmental conservation, energy security and a social safety net.

Vote for *Representative Glenn Anderson* for responsive, common sense government.

*Listening to You, Working for You, Getting Results*

## Legislative District 39

### State Senator (Partisan Office)



### Fred Walser

(Prefers Democratic Party)

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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Retired

**Education:** B.A. Law and Justice Administration. - Central Washington University, Two year degree in Criminal Justice, Everett Community College

**Family:** Married to Donnetta Walser for 37 years with two sons and two grandchildren

**Significant Career Experience:** Washington State Patrol Officer – 28 ½ years retired as Lieutenant, State Patrol Detective And Investigator for Highway fatalities, worked with Snohomish County DUI Task Force on Highway Safety, Sultan Police Chief – 11 years, Founder and Chairman of the US 2 Safety Coalition. Has been active in youth and public safety issues.



### Val Stevens

(Prefers Republican Party)

Citizens for Val Stevens  
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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Retired; Legislator

**Education:** Washington public schools; college courses

**Elected Experience:** Elected to the State House of Representatives in 1992 and 1994; elected to the Senate in 1996, 2000 and 2004.

**Family:** Val and her husband, Keith, are lifetime residents of Washington State. They have two adult sons and six grandchildren.

**Significant Career Experience:** Served as a member of the National Board of Directors for the American Legislative Exchange Council (ALEC). Received the Friends of the Farm Exemplary Voting Record award from the Washington State Farm

#### **Candidate Statement**

In my 40 years of law enforcement, I found myself in many situations that demanded tough leadership. I am running for the State Senate because our state needs that toughness and determination again.

It's time to rise to the challenges facing our state. High gas prices demand new ideas and new leadership. Let's give people more choices with transit, ride share programs and telecommuting options. I will keep fighting (as I have for the last decade on Highway 2) to improve roads and highways including Highway 9 and Highway 20.

We need to make our neighborhoods safer. I support stronger sex offender legislation that won't release sex offenders in their county of offense or give homeless status anywhere close to their previous offense.

My wife, Donnetta, worked in our schools for 28 years. It's given me firsthand knowledge of the challenges. I will always stand up and champion our schools and our kids.

Our legislators also need to do a better job of explaining their priorities for state government. Every project should be scrutinized to ensure it is on time and on budget.

If you are ready for toughness, determination and leadership, I ask for your vote.

Bureau. Honored with the Sentinel Award from the Washington State Law Enforcement Association. Named to the Senior Citizens Hall of Fame.

#### **Candidate Statement**

From the start, I've stood against tax increases, especially property tax increases. There are more than enough tax revenues to meet the legitimate functions of government. What there isn't enough of – is respect for people's money!

When legislation comes before me for a new government program, it must pass three tests. First is it needed? Second, can it be done more efficiently in the private sector, thereby creating private sector jobs that then recontribute to the tax base? Finally, if it's worthy of my vote, its funding must come from existing revenues, rather than new taxes.

I've tried to prioritize our transportation dollars and get more funding to US-2, (the highway of death). Yet, this year a pittance of \$14 million was allocated by the majority party. Ultimately, we need to build four lanes from Highway 9 to just past Gold Bar and the Monroe by-pass. There are other roads, like SR-9 that need to be prioritized as well.

I will continue fighting to limit government control of your health care decisions, which curtails your ability to choose your own doctor and drives up costs.

It's been an honor serving you and I humbly ask for your vote again.

# Legislative District 39

## State Representative Position 1 (Partisan Office)



### Dan Kristiansen

(Prefers R Party)

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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** WA State House of Representatives

**Education:** Shorecrest High School graduate; Shoreline Community College

**Elected Experience:** Six years- WA State House of Representatives -39<sup>th</sup> district- First elected in 2002, and have served for six years in the WA State House of Representatives.

**Family:** Married 23 years with three children, ages 20, 17, and 12.

**Significant Career Experience:** Over 20+ years experience as a successful private-sector small business manager/owner. Specifically, single-family, multi-family and commercial construction; retail; wholesale distribution; and commercial real estate.

#### **Candidate Statement**

I have kept my promises made when I was elected six years ago. This includes my pledge to never vote for tax increases. High taxes, especially property taxes, threaten our economy and jeopardize people's right to stay in their homes. Raising taxes and imposing burdensome regulations only diminishes overall economic vitality and hurts everyone. This year, I was able to get funding without increasing taxes, for needed safety improvements along US 2. As your representative, I will continue to stand for property rights, limited government, strengthening the family, and more transportation infrastructure.

I humbly ask for your vote once again.



### Scott Olson

(Prefers Democratic Party)

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#### **Biographical Information**

**Education:** BA Labor Studies, San Francisco State University; AA Liberal Arts, North Seattle Community College

**Elected Experience:** Sultan City Council

**Family:** Father of two grown sons

**Significant Career Experience:** Residing in the 39<sup>th</sup> LD for more than twenty years, Scott is a board member of the Monroe Arts Council and past President of OTW Theater. A former small

business owner, printer and journalist, Scott's work with the Monroe Chamber of Commerce helped produce that body's Vision 2010. Scott is a veteran of the US Army and is active in Special Olympics fundraising and the Miracle League program.

#### **Candidate Statement**

Scott Olson is a longtime community leader, former Sultan council member, father and respected voice for change.

Scott will bring smart, positive leadership to Olympia and focus on results—not partisanship.

#### **Transportation**

Scott will secure funding for Highway 2 safety—not make excuses. He will make sure new development pays its fair share for road and transit improvements.

#### **Education**

Scott is endorsed by education and labor leaders because he understands that good schools today mean good jobs tomorrow.

#### **Quality of Life**

Endorsed by conservation leaders and small business owners, Scott will protect our Main St. businesses, small towns and family farms.

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State Representative Position 2 (Partisan Office)

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**Kirk Pearson**

(Prefers Republican Party)

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**Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** State Representative

**Education:** Monroe High School • Attended Central Washington University

**Family:** Married to Rachael • Five sons • Two grandchildren

**Significant Career Experience:** Special Assistant to US Congressman Jack Metcalf (1995-2000) • Republican Leader on House Public Safety Committee • Capital Budget Committee • Ecology and Parks Committee • Member of Sentencing Guidelines Commission • Former Monroe Planning Commissioner.

**Candidate Statement**

Kirk Pearson, our local Representative, has been an honest voice for our communities, fighting for families, seniors, and the most vulnerable members of society. He deserves our support for re-election this year.

Kirk's priorities are:

Strengthening public safety laws to ensure the safety of our children.

Ensuring that tax dollars are spent wisely; protecting hardworking families from onerous tax increases.

Working for our schools; ensuring that all of Washington's children have the opportunity to reach their maximum potential.

Securing needed funds for safety projects on our highways.

Kirk is our local Representative and he works tirelessly for us in Olympia.



**David E. Personius**

(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elect David E. Personius  
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**Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Electrician, SeaTac Airport, Port of Seattle

**Education:** 1973 Tahoma High School, Maple Valley, Green River Community College, I.B.E.W. Electrical apprenticeship. Washington State Real Estate & Finance Principals RVTI, Washington State Life Insurance Principals RVTI

**Family:** married to Darlene, six children, nine grandchildren, descendant of Arlington homesteaders.

**Significant Career Experience:** Member of Electricians Local I.B.E.W. 46 since 1977, member of JATC, dispatcher, negotiations team, shop steward. Experience in commercial fishing and Alaska cannery work, nearly ten years repairing container cranes and time as a small business owner.

**Candidate Statement**

As your state representative, I will bring my experience in organized labor to help fulfill the promise of family wage jobs for everyone, improved schools, public safety to keep our families secure, protecting vital services for our most vulnerable and working to solve our state's budget problems.

My experience as an electrician has exposed me to transportation issues, farm and industry export-import subjects. My extended family includes a teacher, missionaries, a police officer, an accountant, a truck driver and a mechanic.

Change is good. Change brings hope and optimism.

I promise to work hard and I will communicate with you.

## Legislative District 39 State Representative Position 2 (Partisan Office)



### Samantha Hicks

(States No Party Preference)

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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Financial Consultant Self-employed

**Education:** BA Political Science University of Missouri; BS Business Oregon State University

**Elected Experience:** None

**Significant Career Experience:** Surviving self-employment for over 12 years.

#### **Candidate Statement**

Why vote for an independent? Political parties many times offer candidates that follow the party line. They sit in Olympia waiting to hear the agenda from party leaders. Some politicians actually think they know best. I'll ask you what you think *before* we vote on proposed laws.

Your representative should ask herself everyday: Is this in the best interests of our citizens and is it necessary? It's the people's money and it should be spent wisely.

We need lower taxes and laws that encourage economic growth. We must fix transportation and we must be tough on crime.

# Legislative District 41

## State Senator (Partisan Office)



### Bob Baker

(Prefers Republican Party)

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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Alaska Airlines Captain

**Education:** B.S., Computer Science, Purdue University. Graduate with Distinction, U.S. Navy Test Pilot School.

**Elected Experience:** 41<sup>st</sup> District Republican Precinct Committee Officer, PTA President

**Family:** Bob lives on Mercer Island with his wife, Robin. They have six children and two grandchildren

**Significant Career Experience:** Retired Navy Commander, 21 year career as Navy F-14 Tomcat Pilot, TOPGUN Graduate, Test Pilot, Federal Contracting Officer, Program Manager for Multi-Million Dollar Defense Acquisition Projects. Navy Commendation Medal, three awards. 12 years as Alaska Airlines commercial pilot. Serves on Eastside Transportation Association, Rotary, Senior

Services Volunteer. Past Multi-State Coordinator Prison Visitation Volunteers, and Women's Crisis Clinic Counselor.

#### **Candidate Statement**

For 21 years, you trusted me to protect your freedoms as a Navy fighter pilot. As an Alaska Airlines Captain, you trust me with your lives.

Now, I'm asking you to trust me as your State Senator.

When you think about it, the amount of freedom we enjoy is directly linked to the amount of taxes we pay and regulations we face. Both are at an all-time high. Our state does not have a revenue problem, it has a spending problem.

Most candidates are unwilling to get specific on the issues or make promises. If we're ever going to achieve smaller government, someone must make a commitment. My pledge to you is that I will not vote for any new or increases in taxes.

My top priorities as your senator are:

Lowering taxes and reducing regulations to foster a healthy business climate that produces well-paying jobs for families.

Instituting transportation policies resulting in true congestion relief by adding lane capacity.

Making neighborhoods safer by keeping dangerous criminals off our streets.

Like a fighter pilot, my foremost job as your senator is to safeguard your freedoms.

I would be honored to have your trust, and your vote for State Senate.



### Fred Jarrett

(Prefers Democratic Party)

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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Project Manager, The Boeing Company

**Education:** Masters of Business Administration Seattle University, BA in Finance from Washington State University, Graduate Mercer Island High School.

**Elected Experience:** Elected to the State House of Representatives-four terms, Mercer Island School Board-one term, Mercer Island City Council-four terms, Mayor of Mercer Island-two terms.

**Family:** I have lived in the 41<sup>st</sup> LD for the past 48 years. My wife, Susan, and I have four grown children: Aric, Keith, Cathy, Amy and four grandchildren.

**Significant Career Experience:** Officer, United States Air Force 1971-1974

#### **Candidate Statement**

I am running for State Senate because I want to continue working for our district and region.

Over the last eight years, I've fought for you in the State Legislature, tackling problems that impact our families and economy. I believe state and local governments have a role to play in improving our quality of life, but must be accountable and responsive.

We have made progress on key issues:

**Transportation:** We are investing in I-405, I-90 and improved transit. We have a plan to rebuild the 520 bridge.

**Education:** We have reduced class size, improved teacher pay, and reformed the WASL to give every kid a chance. We have invested more in higher education.

**Fiscal Restraint:** We have a balanced budget, record reserves and a Rainy Day fund.

In the Senate I will use my legislative experience, three decades in business, and 25 years as a community volunteer to build on my record of accomplishment. Our children's education must prepare them for a changing economy. Our roads and transit must perform at world class levels. Our public institutions must provide value for taxpayers.

I am grateful for the opportunity to serve you in Olympia, and appreciate your vote.

# Legislative District 41

## State Representative Position 1 (Partisan Office)



### Marcie Maxwell

(Prefers Democratic Party)

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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Self employed, Residential Realtor.

**Education:** Highline College; Seattle Public Schools, K-12.

**Elected Experience:** Renton School Board Director since 2001. Elected twice to serve district of nearly 14,000 students and 100,000 constituents in Renton, Newcastle, South Bellevue, and Southeast Seattle. Elected by King County School Board peers as Legislative Representative to Washington State School Directors Association.

**Family:** Married for 31 years. Two children attended Renton Schools, graduated college, employed. Maiden name, Halela.

**Significant Career Experience:** Business ownership for nineteen years as successful Realtor in South & East King County. Prior sixteen year corporate career in branch banking management. Past Renton Chamber of Commerce Board Chairman.

#### **Candidate Statement**

Experienced education leader Marcie Maxwell is a champion for our schools. Elected twice as Renton School Board Director, Marcie led efforts to build six new schools and improve academic standards. Marcie knows the importance of quality schools so children can compete in the global economy.

Recognized as Renton Citizen of the Year, Marcie is a successful business owner who will work for economic vitality, transportation solutions, affordable healthcare, and government accountability.

Marcie earned the State PTA's Outstanding Service and Outstanding Advocate Awards. Endorsements include: League of Education Voters; Washington Association of Realtors; Washington State Labor Council; State Troopers Association.



### Steve Litzow

(Prefers G.O.P. Party)

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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Management Consultant, EMM Group, Inc.

**Education:** BA, Political Science, Northwestern University

**Elected Experience:** 2-term Mercer Island City Councilmember - elected in 2003 and re-elected in 2007 - working on committees with Seniors, Youth & Family Services, Public Safety, Planning, Sustainability, the Mercer Island School Board and the Eastside Transportation Partnership.

**Family:** Married 20 years to Jenny Litzow, four children: Elizabeth (17), Peter (12), Margaret (12) and Michael (10)

**Significant Career Experience:** A former Procter & Gamble executive; former senior executive with CompuServe Inc., Sharebuilder Corp. and CEO of Xpensewise, a venture-backed technology start-up; Board Member, Summer Search, a non-profit mentoring program for at-risk students.

#### **Candidate Statement**

While serving on the Mercer Island City Council, Eastside Transportation Partnership and numerous civic boards, Steve Litzow implemented visionary measures to improve our quality of life. Steve diversified and reduced our energy consumption and prepared our community for the current energy crisis.

Steve is the only candidate supported by Republican, Democrat and Independent leaders who care about inclusive, accountable, effective government.

Steve will fund education first and continue higher education standards; end decades of transportation neglect and reduce wasteful government spending. Use your vote for change, leadership and the improvement of our beautiful community. Vote Steve Litzow for state representative.



# Legislative District 41

## State Representative Position 2 (Partisan Office)



### Judy Clibborn

(Prefers Democratic Party)

Judy Clibborn for State Representative  
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#### Biographical Information

**Current Occupation/Employer:** • State Representative LD 41, 2003-present

**Education:** • BS in Nursing from University of Washington, 1965

**Elected Experience:** • Mercer Island City Council for 12 years, 4 as Mayor.

**Family:** • Husband Bruce Clibborn, three adult children, and one granddaughter. Bruce and Judy have parented 5 foster children.

**Significant Career Experience:** • Former Executive Director of the Mercer Island Chamber of Commerce. • Former Harborview nurse

#### Candidate Statement

Representative Judy Clibborn is an effective legislator because she knows our communities and fights for our priorities.

A former Mayor, Chamber of Commerce director, nurse, mother and grandmother, Judy Clibborn has a lifetime of real experience.

*Transportation:* Chair of the House Transportation Committee, Judy passed record investments in I-90 and 405, improved transit, and negotiated a working plan to rebuild 520.

*Education:* Judy voted to fully fund education and gave teachers a needed raise.

*Health Care:* Judy sponsored landmark legislation to cover all Washington children by 2010. She is working to expand coverage for seniors and families.

Re-elect Judy Clibborn!

Many of Washington's counties now conduct all elections by mail. If you are a registered voter in a county that votes by mail, you will automatically be sent a ballot. King and Pierce counties continue to use poll sites in addition to mail to conduct elections.

### *Absentee Ballot Application*

If you have requested an absentee ballot or have a permanent request for an absentee ballot on file, please do not submit another application.

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<b><i>I hereby declare that I am a registered voter.</i></b>	
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To be valid, your signature must be included.	
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City: _____ State: _____	
ZIP: _____ Country: _____	

# Legislative District 45

## State Representative Position 1 (Partisan Office)



### Roger Goodman

(Prefers Democratic Party)

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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Attorney, King County Bar Association Policy Project coordinating professional and civic organizations to develop more effective drug control policies.

**Education:** A.B., Senior Fellow, Dartmouth College; J.D., George Washington University; M.P.A. Harvard University

**Elected Experience:** Currently, State Representative for the 45<sup>th</sup> District. Vice Chair of the House Judiciary Committee

**Family:** Roger lives with his wife, Liv, and their two young children in Kirkland.

**Significant Career Experience:** Legislative Member, State Early Learning Advisory Council; Criminal Justice Standing Committee, National Conference of Legislators; Standing Committee on Substance Abuse, American Bar Association; Member, King County Substance Abuse Administrative Board

#### **Candidate Statement**

I believe a good legislator listens at home and leads in Olympia. Two years ago, I knocked on more than 11,000 doors. You said you wanted a legislator who shunned partisan politics and focused on results.

As your Representative, I expanded early childhood education programs, funded local high-tech education, and helped strengthen our economy to compete globally.

I enacted stronger DUI laws, ensured gas stations stay open in emergencies and invested in emergency communications.

I heard you wanted a new approach. I will keep listening and working for change in Olympia, and together we can get results for Washington.



### Toby Nixon

(Prefers Republican Party)

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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Senior Standards Program Manager at Microsoft. Over 33 years experience in the computer industry, including 24 years building consensus on tough technology and policy issues.

**Elected Experience:** 45<sup>th</sup> District State Representative for five years.

**Family:** Happily married to Irene for 26 years; five children.

**Significant Career Experience:** President, Washington Coalition for Open Government. Chair, Citizens for Accountable Elections. Youth Eastside Services board and advisory council. Heart of America Northwest board (sponsored initiative to clean up Hanford nuclear waste). King County Advisory Board on Disabled Accessible Voting Equipment. Homeowners association president. Received Washington Newspaper Publishers Association "Freedom's Light Award" for protecting First Amendment rights.

#### **Candidate Statement**

While serving as your state representative, I enjoyed working across party lines to get results you expect in Olympia. Finding solutions for traffic congestion, improving our schools, cleaning up our environment, caring for those in need, protecting our homes, families and privacy, improving government accountability, and creating jobs while controlling taxes are priorities for our district. I built consensus for a dozen election reform bills, and recently led the effort passing I-25 to bring accountability to King County elections. I ask for your vote – again – to send me back to Olympia to work for all of us!

## Legislative District 45

### State Representative Position 2 (Partisan Office)



### Larry Springer

(Prefers Democratic Party)

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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Larry has owned and operated The Grape Choice retail wine shop in downtown Kirkland for 25 years.

**Education:** He graduated from Bellevue High School, earned his BA from Western Washington State College, and a Master of Science degree from the University of Oregon.

**Elected Experience:** Larry served 11 years on the Kirkland City Council, 4 years as Mayor before serving 2 terms in the State House of Representatives.

**Family:** Larry and his wife Penny Sweet live in Kirkland with their two golden retrievers, Beaune and Brix.

**Significant Career Experience:** Larry taught elementary school and worked for King County Youth Services before starting his own business.

#### **Candidate Statement**

A small business owner, former Kirkland Mayor and teacher, State Representative Larry Springer brings a passion for public service and commitment to accountability to Olympia.

*Transportation:* Larry was a leader in negotiations that led to a 520 bridge solution for eastside families and business. He voted for 405 expansion and increased transit choices.

*Balanced, Responsible Budget:* Larry demanded and helped pass a balanced budget that sets aside record reserves and a constitutional Rainy Day Fund.

*Quality of Life:* Larry consistently votes to protect neighborhoods, parks and open space, and clean air and water.

Re-Elect Larry Springer. Common Sense, Uncommon Leadership.



### Kevin Haistings

(Prefers G O P Party)

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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Police Sergeant; Seattle Police Department, harbor patrol unit

**Family:** Married to his wife for 24 years with two teenage sons.

**Significant Career Experience:** A 23 years law enforcement veteran in Seattle and former president of the Seattle Police Officers' Guild, former Cub Scout leader, PTSA volunteer, Little League umpire and volunteer firefighter; 10 years on the board

of the Seattle Police Officers' Guild, current vice president of the Washington State Law Enforcement Memorial Foundation and an active volunteer in the Ronald McDonald House Holiday Cruise program.

#### **Candidate Statement**

As a police officer and first-responder, I have seen the impact of Olympia's spending choices and the negative impact it has in our communities. We need to straighten out our priorities. I will work to control and balance our state budget while concentrating on our priorities of education, transportation and public safety. We must do better!

I will focus on closing the achievement gap in our public schools, relieving congestion in our transportation system, and putting families before felons in public safety.

It's time for honest, spirited debate and collaborative effort to put balance back in the Legislature.

# Legislative District 48

## State Representative Position 1 (Partisan Office)



### Ross Hunter

(Prefers Democratic Party)

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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** • State Representative - WA State Legislature 2002-2008, • Finance Committee Chairman • Legislative Audit Committee Former Chair

**Education:** • BS Computer Science, Yale University 1983

**Elected Experience:** • State Representative 2002-2008

**Family:** • Married to Tricie Hunter in 1989 • Two children: Jack – 17 and Emily – 15 both attend Bellevue Public Schools

**Significant Career Experience:** • 17 years at Microsoft, ranging from Program Manager for Microsoft Access to General Manager of the Microsoft Commercial Internet System. • Holds several patents on database technology.

#### **Candidate Statement**

*Moderate, Bipartisan, Proven Leadership*

Ross Hunter did what he said he would do: delivered additional funding for public schools, added lanes to 405, resolved the 520 design, and balanced 6 budgets over the last 6 years. Ross was the House prime sponsor of the “rainy day fund” constitutional amendment.

As our Representative, Ross will: champion public education; reduce traffic congestion; and create high quality jobs.

Ross believes government must learn to make budgetary decisions like families do, and he supports extensive performance auditing of government programs.

*Let's send Ross Hunter's bipartisan, get it done attitude back to Olympia.*



### Charles A. Lapp

(Prefers Republican Party)

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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** I recently retired from the real estate and property management business I operated on the Eastside for almost 30 years.

**Education:** BS - Management Engineering; MA - Business Management; MA - Economics and Finance; Additional graduate studies in Finance at the University of Washington

**Elected Experience:** I have not previously served in any elective office, therefore I am able to bring a fresh perspective to the job.

**Family:** Emily -23, USNA '07, US Navy Pilot Training; Katie -21, Senior at CWU

**Significant Career Experience:** Pilot, USAF 1971-78; Pre-doctoral Teaching Assistant, UW 1978-80; Property Management, 1979-2008; Extensive work and problem solving experience with Condominium and Homeowners' Associations.

#### **Candidate Statement**

Over the past four years our legislature increased spending 33% and raised taxes by \$500-Million. Yet we still face a near \$1-billion financial shortfall. Their solution? More taxes and more government.

I oppose higher taxes and irresponsible spending. I support quality public education, reducing traffic congestion, affordable healthcare, economic growth, keeping violent felons off our streets and environmental responsibility.

As a 30-year resident and business owner in the 48<sup>th</sup> district, Air Force veteran and father of two daughters (one serving in the Navy), I will work hard for the change we need and deserve.

Please Vote Charles Lapp!

## Legislative District 48

### State Representative Position 2 (Partisan Office)



### Ronald G. Fuller

(Prefers Republican Party)

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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Consultant in advanced analytics and business intelligence, currently at Microsoft; captain in the US Army Reserves.

**Family:** Happily married to Nicole for 8 years, we have 4 young children.

**Significant Career Experience:** In 2004 I served as the Chief of Intelligence Systems in Afghanistan for US Central Command, leading teams responsible for every aspect of technical operations supporting intelligence activities in the Afghan theater. In this role

I was the only officer in my chain of command present in Afghanistan. I am proud to have been recognized for supporting the first democratic elections in the history of that nation.

#### **Candidate Statement**

My priorities are:

Energy independence – electric cars can run at \$0.80/gal equivalent; plug-in hybrids can achieve 120mpg. We should create incentives to bring these vehicles to market and purchase them for state fleets.

Education – after 30 years of decreasing performance and increasing budgets, something fundamental needs to change. Our state was recently forced to refuse a \$13.2 million grant because it would have rewarded teachers for good performance. *The union refuses to allow this!!* The union controls education policy through its power over our state legislature. Teachers and students deserve better. I will work to give them better.



### Deb Eddy

(Prefers Democratic Party)

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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** • State Representative • Vice-Chair, Technology, Energy and Communications • Public Affairs Counsel, PRR Inc., Seattle, WA.

**Education:** • BS, Journalism, West Virginia University, 1976  
• JD, University of North Carolina School of Law, 1979

**Family:** • Married to Jon Eddy in 1979 • Three children: Amy, Hart, Emily, two grandchildren: Charlotte and Marie.

**Significant Career Experience:** • Kirkland City Council 1994-1999, mayor 1996-1997; served on Seattle King County Public Health Board, Jail Advisory Committee, other regional bodies. • Executive director Suburban Cities Association, 1999 – 2004, coordinating regional solutions among up to 40 local governments. • Elected to State House of Representatives in 2006.

#### **Candidate Statement**

*Deb Eddy has proven to be a balanced, effective representative.*

Deb used her experience to lead on issues important to us, passing legislation protecting the environment and ensuring the privacy of your identification documents. She responded to a local accident by passing legislation ensuring construction cranes are safely maintained and operated. She was instrumental in delivering agreement on the SR 520 bridge design.

Known for her sharp analysis and tough questioning, Deb works with other moderates to require budget discipline and ensure government works for all of us.

*Let's keep Deb working for good, efficient government in Olympia.*

### **What judicial candidates can say**

Two types of information are shown for each judicial candidate listed in this pamphlet:

1. A brief biography, supplied by the candidate, which includes the candidate's background and professional experience.
2. A brief, unedited statement, written by the candidate, about why you should vote for that individual.

Candidates' statements are governed by Canon 7 of Washington's Code of Judicial Conduct. The Code bars judicial candidates from making statements that appear to commit them on legal issues likely to come before them in court. The Canon also specifies that a candidate may not make misleading or untruthful statements.

### **How we select judges in Washington State**

**Nonpartisan Election:** Originally, judges in Washington State were elected in partisan elections. This was changed in 1912 and since that time judges have been selected by nonpartisan election.

**Appointment:** When a justice of the Washington State Supreme Court or a judge of the state Court of Appeals or a superior court resigns or dies during a term of office, the Governor appoints a new judge to fill that position. The appointed judge must run in the next election.

All judges who complete their terms and wish to serve another must stand for a nonpartisan election.

### **The importance of primary elections**

Candidates for the Supreme Court, Court of Appeals, and Superior Courts who are unopposed or who receive more than half of the votes in a primary election are thereby elected to the position. But if there are three or more candidates, and no one wins more than half the votes cast, the two with the most votes must face each other in the November general election.

**Supreme Court (The successful candidate may be determined in the primary):** The state's "court of last resort," the Supreme Court hears appeals from the Court of Appeals and other lower courts. Through its rule-making authority, it also administers the state court system.

Three of the court's nine justices come up for election every two years. Justices serve six-year staggered terms.

**Court of Appeals (The successful candidate may be determined in the primary):** The Court of Appeals hears most of the appeals that come up from the county-level superior courts. A total of 22 judges serve the court in three, multi-county divisions headquartered in Seattle, Tacoma and Spokane. Candidates run in one of three county groupings, or districts, within each division. Only voters registered within their districts can vote for them. Judges serve staggered, six-year terms.

**Superior Court (The successful candidate may be determined in the primary):** Superior courts are the state's courts of general jurisdiction. They hear felony criminal cases, civil matters, dissolutions (divorces), juvenile cases, and appeals from courts of limited jurisdiction. They are organized by county into 32 judicial districts. Candidates run in the county or counties within their district, and only voters within that district can cast ballots for them. Judges serve four-year terms.

# Supreme Court Justice

## Position 3 (Nonpartisan Office)



### Mary Fairhurst

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Website: [www.JusticeMaryFairhurst.com](http://www.JusticeMaryFairhurst.com)

#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Supreme Court Justice

**Education:** Law degree with high honors in 1984; BA with honors in Political Science in 1979, both from Gonzaga University.

**Legal/Judicial Experience:** Supreme Court Justice, 6 years; Washington Attorney General's Office, 16 years, specializing in revenue, transportation, criminal justice and personnel; Supreme Court judicial clerk, 2 years. Admitted to the Washington State Bar Association in 1984.

**Family:** Oldest of 7, Aunt of 13, Godmother of many.

**Significant Career Experience:** Judicial Information System Committee, Chair; Board for Judicial Administration Public Trust and Confidence Committee, Chair; Council on Public

Legal Education, member; Washington State Bar Association, President and Board of Governors; Washington Women Lawyers, President.

#### **Candidate Statement**

Since you elected me to our Supreme Court six years ago, I have worked to improve our justice system, to make our courts efficient and responsive, to ensure access to justice for all, and to protect the rights of every person in Washington State.

I was raised in a loving family which placed great value on fairness, service and the dignity of every man, woman and child.

Every day I go to work aware that my decisions affect thousands of lives. Since joining the court I have decided over 600 cases. To every case I have brought an open mind, fairness, common sense and a commitment to uphold our Constitution.

We are a diverse people united by a common law and Constitution. As a Justice, I am obligated not to any group, but to respect the rule of law and uphold our Constitution. I am dedicated to ensuring that we have a legal system that treats people fairly, equally and protects the rights of everyone.

Endorsed by Washington State Troopers Association, Washington State Council of Firefighters, Washington Federation of Teachers, Washington State Labor Council, Washington Conservation Voters, Women's Political Caucus, Justices, Judges, attorneys, community leaders, and people throughout Washington.



### Michael J. Bond

Bond for Justice  
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Website: [www.bondforjustice.com](http://www.bondforjustice.com)

#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Partner in Gardner Bond Trabolsi, a firm of 8 lawyers.

**Education:** Graduate of Gonzaga University Law School, 1978; Masters in Law, Sustainable International Development, University of Washington Law School, 2004.

**Legal/Judicial Experience:** 28+ years experience in trials, arbitrations, and appellate work, starting as Judge Advocate in the United States Marine Corps; Fellow in the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators.

**Family:** Happily married to Marianne Bond since 1976, two teenage children.

**Significant Career Experience:** Cases throughout Washington in 23 of our county courts, 3 federal courts, 9<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court of Appeals, 2 bankruptcy courts, administrative agencies, all three divisions of our Courts of Appeal and the Supreme Court.

#### **Candidate Statement**

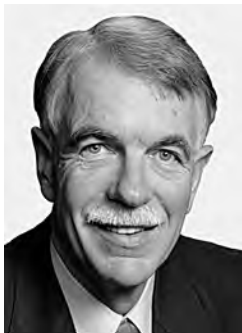
The courts are where our citizens go to seek justice. I have spent over 28 years in court helping people with real problems from all walks of life who seek justice. Since 1997 I've helped run my own small business, and we provide our employees a good place to work with excellent benefits.

Over the years, I've learned that the most important role of the courts is to protect the people from the power of government and the vested interests. To fulfill that responsibility, a judge should have a broad range of experience in and outside the law, clearly understand the difference between serving as judge and serving as legislator, and possess the courage to speak truth to power.

Our State Constitution established a government of limited power, but in too many opinions the incumbent voted to increase government power by approving government secrecy over public records; and she voted in ways that trample on our constitutional rights, overruling property rights, reducing privacy rights, and censoring free speech. Learn more about my views at [www.bondforjustice.com](http://www.bondforjustice.com).

We elect our judges and they remain accountable to the people. Preserve our liberty, vote Michael J. Bond for Justice.

## Supreme Court Justice Position 4 (Nonpartisan Office)



### Charles W. Johnson

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#### Biographical Information

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Associate Chief Justice, Washington State Supreme Court

**Education:** Seattle University School of Law, J.D. 1976, University of Washington, B.A. 1974, Curtis High School, Tacoma.

**Legal/Judicial Experience:** Justice Charles Johnson, the most senior member of the Washington State Supreme Court, has spent 18 years protecting individual rights, balancing the scales of justice for those less privileged, and improving court efficiency. For 12 years he has taught the Washington State Constitution at Seattle University School of Law. Before joining the State Supreme Court, Justice Johnson worked 14 years as a lawyer helping people with every-day needs.

#### Candidate Statement

Justice Charles Johnson has proven he understands and protects our rights and freedoms. For 18 years, his record shows his commitment to protecting privacy rights and holding government accountable, coupled with his courage and ability to decide the difficult issues the Court faces.

Evaluated by lawyers groups, Justice Johnson rates “exceptionally well qualified.” His fairness, intellect, common sense and impartiality are reflected by groups supporting his re-election, including: Washington State Labor Council, Association of Washington Business, Joint Council of Firefighters, American Federation of Teachers, Washington Conservation Voters, Washington State Young Democrats, Mainstream Republicans of Washington, Joint Council of Teamsters, and Rental Housing Association of Puget Sound.

The American Bar Association Council on Racial and Ethnic Fairness has recognized Justice Johnson’s efforts to improve justice for all persons.

We need Supreme Court Justices like Justice Charles Johnson, with proven experience, intelligence, integrity, fairness and impartiality. Hard work and difficult challenges underscore his entire life. He worked as a laborer to pay for his education and understands the value of our time and money.

A lifetime Washington resident, Justice Johnson and his wife, Dana, live in Gig Harbor.

For more information please visit [www.justicecharlesjohnson.com](http://www.justicecharlesjohnson.com).



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#### Biographical Information

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Third generation Washingtonian; self-employed, semi-retired lawyer closely following national affairs and writing a book tentatively entitled “Taking Stock . . . : What’s Still Right and What’s Gone Wrong in America: What YOU Can Do About It.”

**Education:** BA, University of Washington; JD, University of California Hastings College of the Law; continuing independent study of politics, history, and economics.

**Legal/Judicial Experience:** Over 30 years of varied, diverse trial and appellate experience in federal and state courts representing clients from individuals to Fortune 500 companies. Frequent arbitration and mediation service. Served as a Military Magistrate in the 13<sup>th</sup> Naval District.

#### Candidate Statement

I want to improve the quality and output of decisions coming from the Supreme Court and increase efficiency in our judicial system. The first goal can be accomplished through intellectual honesty ensuring all decisions accurately describe the facts of the case and the issues of the parties present. A decision that does not meet these standards is not the case the parties brought, but one of the Court’s creation. When this occurs (and it has) justice is not been done. Unfortunately, only the parties and their lawyers usually realize this. I will work to implement a meaningful evaluation system of appellate judges so citizens can cast their votes intelligently and with understanding.

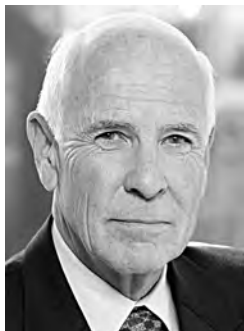
I will urge the Court to take up and decide more cases, particularly involving differences between Court of Appeals divisions. Leaving such issues undecided leaves uncertainty as to the law and creates unnecessary and/or more costly litigation. The number of cases decided by the Supreme Court today is far lower than in the past when there were only seven Justices with less staff and without the advantages of computer research and word processing.



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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Attorney with Hackett, Beecher & Hart.

**Education:** Graduate of Lewis & Clark High School (Spokane), University of Puget Sound, and University of Washington Law School.

**Legal/Judicial Experience:** Admitted to practice: State and Federal Courts in Washington, 9<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court of Appeals and the U.S. Supreme Court. Served as Judge Pro Tem, Arbitrator, Mediator. Extensive trial experience: Western and Eastern District Federal Courts and 23 counties. Substantial appellate work.

**Family:** Married to Linda Beecher, 2 children, 1 grandchild.

**Significant Career Experience:** Before entering private practice served as a Prosecutor in the Seattle City Attorney's Office and a Senior Trial Lawyer in the Office of Attorney General.

#### **Candidate Statement**

From isolated chambers in Olympia, Supreme Court Justices affirm or reverse decisions of other judges and dictate the operating rules for Washington's Courts.

Our court rules need to be modernized. Many pretrial procedures are shamefully expensive and should be limited. Washington is a world leader in electronic technology but current rules do not allow the full benefit of that technology. After 18 years it is time to replace the incumbent with an attorney who has a broader and more current knowledge of actual litigation practices.

My experience has uniquely prepared me to understand the needs and concerns of litigants throughout Washington. I have handled many hundreds of cases across our state representing governments, businesses and individuals in cases as diverse as consumer protection, construction, civil rights, insurance and the environment.

I have set verdict records in several counties and have consistently received *Martindale's* highest rating for legal ability and integrity. The *American Board of Trial Advocates* elected me to membership. I am included in the publication, *The Best Lawyers In America*, and *Washington Law and Politics* lists me as a *Super Lawyer*. *Metropolitan Seattle Magazine* identifies me as one of the *Best Lawyers in Seattle*.

## Supreme Court Justice Position 7 (Nonpartisan Office)



### Debra L. Stephens

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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Justice, Washington Supreme Court

**Education:** B.A. and J.D., Gonzaga University; West Valley High, Spokane.

**Legal/Judicial Experience:** Extensive trial and appellate practice on both sides of Washington, including 120+ appearances before the Washington Supreme Court. Author and speaker at 100+ legal seminars. Appointed, then elected to Division Three of the Court of Appeals before joining the Supreme Court.

**Family:** Married 19 years to Craig Stephens; two children.

**Significant Career Experience:** Adjunct Professor at Gonzaga Law School since 1995, teaching state and federal Constitutional Law, Community Property and Appellate Advocacy. School board

director from 1996-2007. Former community college instructor and Assistant Dean of Admissions at Gonzaga.

#### **Candidate Statement**

The first woman from Eastern Washington to serve on the State Supreme Court, Justice Debra Stephens brings unique experience as an attorney, constitutional law scholar, and Appeals Court judge to the bench. Rated “Exceptionally Well Qualified” by five separate Bar Associations, she is committed to protecting the rights and liberties of all Washingtonians.

Justice Stephens raised her family in Spokane while maintaining a law practice specializing in serving victims of crimes and their families.

On the Supreme Court, Justice Stephens is committed to upholding and respecting our laws and constitution free from bias, with a firm commitment to our shared values. Justice Stephens believes firmly that the law should be grounded in common sense, and address the needs of real people.

Active in her church and community, former chair of her local school board and a volunteer mentor to young women, Justice Debra Stephens brings real-world perspective and outstanding legal qualifications to the Supreme Court.

Endorsers include former Justices Richard Guy and Faith Ireland, dozens more former and current judges; Washington State Patrol Troopers, State Labor Council, State Council of Firefighters, business leaders, teachers, Conservation Voters, legal peers, community leaders, and both Republicans and Democrats throughout Washington.

## Court of Appeals, Division 1, District 1

The following candidate did not submit a statement for publication:

### Judge Position 5 (Nonpartisan Office)

Linda Lau

## Court of Appeals, Division 1, District 1 Judge Position 6 (Nonpartisan Office)



Ann Schindler

#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Judge Schindler has served with distinction on the Court of Appeals since 2002 and currently serves as the Chief Judge for Division I.

**Legal/Judicial Experience:** Judge Schindler was a trial judge in King County Superior Court for 10 years. She was named the first Chief Judge of the Regional Justice Center and the Chief Asbestos Judge. Prior to being a judge, she was a senior attorney in the Prosecutor's Office and was in private practice with the law firm of Culp, Dwyer, Guterson and Grader.

#### **Candidate Statement**

The Washington State Court of Appeals decides most cases on appeal from the trial courts, including appeals in civil, criminal, juvenile, and family law matters. A panel of three judges decides several hundred cases a year and each judge authors opinions in approximately 70 cases. Judge Ann Schindler has the experience and leadership qualities we need on the Court of Appeals.

Judge Schindler has received the Outstanding Judge of the Year award from the King County Bar Association and the Vanguard and the President's award from Washington Women Lawyers.

Please vote to re-elect Judge Ann Schindler to the Court of Appeals. Thank you.

# King Superior Court Judge Position 1 (Nonpartisan Office)



## Susan Amini

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### Biographical Information

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Attorney, Amini Law Firm

**Education:** J.D., University of Maryland Law School.

**Legal/Judicial Experience:** 18 years experience in criminal, civil and family law; Judge Pro Tempore throughout King County since 1994; Hearing Officer for the Washington State Bar; Law Clerk for Hon. Judge John Gossert Jr.; admitted to the Washington State Bar, Western Washington Federal Bar, and U.S. Supreme Court Bar.

**Family:** Married; husband works at Boeing; son attends law school

**Significant Career Experience:** I have tried hundreds of cases and represented a wide array of clients, from the at-risk elderly, to victims of domestic violence and child abuse, small business owners, and the disabled.

### Candidate Statement

I am honored to be running for Superior Court Judge, and pledge that, once elected, I will work to improve access to justice for all.

Superior Court Judges preside over criminal and civil cases; I have extensive experience with both, including hundreds of trials throughout King County. As a Pro Tem Judge, I am known for being fair but firm on the bench, holding offenders accountable, while ensuring that all parties have an opportunity to be heard.

Nothing has taught me more about the importance of fairness and equal opportunity than when my son, Cyrus, became blind at age 8. I advocated tirelessly with the public school district to ensure that he and other students with disabilities received the same opportunities as their peers.

I have served as a Trustee of Overlake Hospital, a Bellevue Human Services Commissioner, and an arbitrator for the Washington State Bar. I have received high ratings from the King County Bar and Latina/o Bar, and the sole endorsement of the American Immigration Lawyers Association (Washington Chapter).

Endorsers include Gary Locke, Ron Sims, retired King County Sheriff James Nickle, Roberto Maestas, Nancy Rising, Bob Santos, Ruth Woo, 33<sup>rd</sup> District Democrats, and over forty judges/elected officials.



## Tim Bradshaw

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### Biographical Information

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Senior Deputy Prosecuting Attorney – King County.

**Education:** JD, Seattle University, 1988; BA, University of Puget Sound, 1984.

**Legal/Judicial Experience:** Twenty years courtroom experience handling civil and criminal cases. Bradshaw tried dozens of complex trials of sexual assault, animal abuse, and high-profile murders including convictions on the murder of Mia Zapata, the deaths of four Seattle firefighters, and “Seattle’s Shipyard Shooting.”

**Family:** Tim grew up in south King County. He lives with his wife and young son in Seattle.

**Significant Career Experience:** Lead prosecutor on groundbreaking, CSI cases, including the first DNA case in

County history. Founding member, Homicide Unit. Recipient, Norm Maleng Outstanding Trial Advocacy Award.

### Candidate Statement

The King County Bar rates Tim Bradshaw as “*Exceptionally Well Qualified*,” its highest rating and the *highest rating in this race*. With 120 *Superior Court* jury trials, Bradshaw offers voters proven courtroom experience, and a lifelong record of public service.

Known for his fairness, knowledge of the law, and integrity, Bradshaw is the only candidate to earn three “Exceptionally Well Qualified” ratings (King County, Latina/o, and GLBT Bar Associations), and the Washington Women Lawyers only “Highly Qualified” rating in this race.

For two decades, Bradshaw has served this community representing victims in court to bring murderers, batterers, and sexually violent predators to justice. This experience, plus involvement with the YWCA’s “Girl’s First,” has prepared Bradshaw to manage a courtroom that respects jurors and *all* participants. Bradshaw’s Superior Court qualifications are unmatched in this race.

Incumbent Pos. 01 judge, Charles Mertel, strongly endorses Bradshaw’s candidacy. Please join Judge Mertel, County Executive Ron Sims, Supreme Court Justice Bobbe Bridge, Hon. Susan Agid, Hon. Marlin Appelwick, many judges, Community leaders, former U.S. Attorney Mike McKay, WSBA President Ron Ward (former), Judy Maleng, IFPTE Local 17, Chinese Chamber of Commerce, and support the most experienced candidate in this race—Tim Bradshaw for Superior Court.

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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Assistant Attorney General

**Education:** Seattle University; Villanova Law School

**Legal/Judicial Experience:** Arbitrator on over 75 cases and mediated hundreds of cases in civil rights, employment discrimination, wrongful death, medical malpractice, breach of contract and negligence. Two decades of experience in the public sector, private sector and in-house as the Director of General Liability for Nordstrom.

**Family:** Married, two daughters

**Significant Career Experience:** Represented employees and Washington State in Superior, Federal, and Appellate Courtrooms in 18 counties. Volunteered thousands of hours on behalf of the indigent; as a guardian ad litem for children in foster care; protecting victims of domestic violence; and at the Ronald McDonald House.

#### **Candidate Statement**

“Her trial results were outstanding, and her...clients have consistently expressed their confidence in her and the high quality of her work.” --Governor Chris Gregoire

“Suzanne’s passion for the law and her compassion for public service ... make her, in my mind, a fine candidate for ...the Superior Court.” –Attorney General Rob McKenna

Assistant Attorney General Sue Parisien has two decades of *civil* trial experience - vital in Superior Court where civil cases outnumber criminal nearly 4 to 1. Through her public and private practice Sue has represented individuals, small businesses, and the State of Washington. No other candidate brings this breadth of experience.

An award-winning advocate for the vulnerable, Sue provides free legal representation to victims of domestic violence and worked to ensure low-income citizens have equal access to justice. A breast cancer survivor, Sue works with non-profits dedicated to early detection.

Rated: “Exceptionally Well Qualified” and “Well Qualified”

Endorsers: Governor Booth Gardner, Rob McKenna, Bellevue Mayor Grant Degginger; State Senator Margarita Prentice, State Representatives Clibborn, Jarrett and Hudgins; King County Councilmembers Julia Patterson, Larry Phillips and Dow Constantine; former Secretaries of the Departments of Transportation, Corrections and DSHS and; leading attorneys Jenny Durkan, Kevin Hamilton, David McDonald.

# King Superior Court Judge Position 10 (Nonpartisan Office)



## Jean Bouffard

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### Biographical Information

**Legal/Judicial Experience:** Bouffard has managed her own law firm for seventeen years and practiced law for over 20 years. While raising a family and working, she also devoted hundreds of hours to community service, chairing and serving on many Boards and Commissions such as King County Rural Forestry Commission, Covington Parks and Forestry Commission, and South County Community Network. She was Chair of the King County Washington Conservation Voters, and has experience in handling the growing number of land use and environmental law cases affecting our quality of life.

**Family:** Jean and Rick Bouffard have a son, 18, and a daughter, 14.

### Candidate Statement

In recent years there has been an onslaught of county prosecutors and downtown Seattle lawyers joining the King County Superior Court. Nearly 75% of all the cases are civil, not criminal. Yet many of the newest judges come from the prosecutor's office. And, in every open Superior Court race, the prosecutor's office has a candidate.

What the Court needs is a judge who understands everyday legal problems, with experience helping individuals and small businesses with contract, employment, construction, business and real estate issues -- an attorney who practices common sense and gets the job done without a government agency or large law firm staff behind her.

I have spent over 20 years working on civil cases and for people without a voice: • For individuals and small businesses • For good land use policies • For members of our communities who cannot afford legal counsel.

Regularly appearing in the Superior Court has taught me that I have the work ethic, the legal reasoning skills and the dedication to fairness needed to perform the duties of judge. With your vote, I will combine my commitment to community service with my professional skills to serve you honorably and diligently as Judge.



## Regina S. Cahan

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### Biographical Information

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Senior Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

**Education:** Juris Doctorate and Masters degree in Social Work, University of Wisconsin

**Legal/Judicial Experience:** Currently Judge Pro Tem. Nineteen years courtroom experience in King County Superior Court. A respected senior prosecutor, Regina consistently earned convictions prosecuting the most serious felonies, murders and sex crimes. As a civil litigator, she defended civil rights and fought successfully for plaintiffs and defendants in labor and employment disputes.

**Family:** Happily married with two children, both in public school.

**Significant Career Experience:** Over 100 trials; achieved landmark State Supreme Court rulings on both the use of DNA evidence and sex offender registration. See www.CahanforCourt.com for more.

### Candidate Statement

I am proud to have received the highest rating, "Exceptionally Well Qualified," from the King County Bar, Washington Women Lawyers, Joint Asian Bar, and Q-law.

I volunteer my services for the Northwest Women's Law Center, Anti-Defamation League, King County Sexual Assault Resource Center, and have counseled sexual assault and domestic violence survivors.

I look forward to continuing my years of public service and applying my criminal and civil law experience by serving on our Superior Court.

Distinguished from my opponents by my diverse experience and bipartisan support:

*Organizations:* King County Police Guild, Firefighters, King County Labor Council, Women's Political Caucus;

*Community Leaders:* Governor Gary Locke, Mayor Greg Nickels, County Executive Ron Sims, Judy Maleng, Mike McKay;

*Over 40 Judges:* including State Supreme Court Justices Bobbe Bridge, Mary Fairhurst, Susan Owens, Faith Ireland, Charles Z. Smith, Debra Stephens, Phil Talmadge, Robert Utter;

*State Legislators:* Mary Lou Dickerson, Bob Hasegawa, Zack Hudgins, Fred Jarrett, Claudia Kauffman, Phyllis Kenney, Jeanne Kohl-Welles, Al O'Brien, Jamie Pedersen, Eric Pettigrew, Margarita Prentice, Jay Rodne, Shay Schual Berke, Helen Sommers, Rodney Tom, Brian Weinstein;

*Council Members:* Tim Burgess, Richard Conlin, Jan Drago, Regan Dunn, Larry Gossett, Bruce Harrell, Kathy Lambert, Julia Patterson, Larry Phillips, Tom Rasmussen.

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### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** King County Superior Court Commissioner and Judge Pro Tem.

**Education:** Seattle's Ingraham High School, University of Washington and Seattle University School of Law.

**Legal/Judicial Experience:** King County Superior Court Commissioner and Judge Pro Tem since 1998. Lead Family Court Commissioner since 2005. Trial attorney in private practice specializing in family law, domestic violence protection, civil and criminal felony and misdemeanor cases.

**Family:** Son of immigrant parents from Ukraine, one of three children.

**Significant Career Experience:** In 1998 appointed by King County Superior Court judges to serve as a Superior Court Commissioner.

Serving on Washington State Judicial College faculty training newly-appointed and elected judges throughout Washington.

### **Candidate Statement**

Les Ponomarchuk's 10 years as a King County Superior Court Commissioner have uniquely prepared him for the many challenges faced by our elected judges. As a Superior Court Commissioner, Les is respected for his common sense justice that's fair and practical.

As a Superior Court Judicial candidate, Les Ponomarchuk has earned the highest rating – "*Exceptionally Well Qualified*" – by the King County Bar Association. He's also been endorsed by over 20 current and retired judges, elected officials from both parties, the Seattle Police Management Association (Captains and Lieutenants), the King County Corrections Guild and the King County Court Protection Guild.

A first-generation American, Les is the son of Ukrainian immigrants who first came to the United States because of the Nazi's devastation of their homeland. As a child, Les developed his strong work ethic early in life working a variety of odd jobs. The lessons he learned about the value of hard work and volunteerism are lessons Les carries with him to this day.

Les Ponomarchuk's combination of judicial experience, community support, and his proven commitment to justice are exactly the qualities we need in our judges.

On August 19<sup>th</sup>, please support Les Ponomarchuk for Superior Court #10.

# King Superior Court Judge Position 22 (Nonpartisan Office)



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### Biographical Information

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Pro tem (substitute) Judge, King County Superior Court, King County District Court.

**Education:** University of New Mexico, J.D. 1988, State University of New York, B.A. 1980.

**Legal/Judicial Experience:** Twenty years as lawyer and pro tem judge. Presided over thousands of cases in Superior, District, and Municipal Courts including multiple jury trials, bench trials, criminal, civil, dependency, and domestic violence matters. Intern Deputy Prosecutor.

**Family:** Married for 14 years, two children attending Seattle Public Schools. Member, Temple Beth Am

**Significant Career Experience:** First woman attorney in office to handle complex DNA trial. Recognized by Washington Women

Lawyers for service to the profession. Chair, Judicial Evaluations, Loren Miller (African-American) Bar.

### Candidate Statement

As the daughter of an African-American father and Jewish mother who married when interracial marriage was illegal in many states, I learned early on the important values of due process, fairness, and equal justice for all.

Experience that counts: Since 2001, I've served as a pro tem judge in King County Superior, District, and Municipal courts. I treat everyone with dignity and respect, make fair and easily understood decisions grounded in common sense, and without bias or prejudice. As a lawyer, I protected the rights of the underprivileged. As an intern deputy prosecutor, I helped crime victims obtain justice. I've tried hundreds of cases from misdemeanors to complex felonies.

Community: I've volunteered thousands of hours in my community protecting abused children as board member for the Northwest Children's Fund, helping homeless and abused women, mentoring minority law students, and PTA.

I ask for your vote.

Broad-based endorsements from: King County Police Officers Guild, Women's Political Caucus; Mercer Island Firefighters; thirty-five judges, including nine Supreme Court and Court of Appeals judges; twenty-three elected officials, both Democrats and Republicans, sole endorsement 33<sup>rd</sup>, 43<sup>rd</sup> legislative district Democrats. Rated "Exceptionally Well Qualified" or "Well Qualified" by every bar association that rates judicial candidates.



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### Biographical Information

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Judge Pro Tempore, King County District Court; Seattle and Lake Forest Park Municipal Courts; Trial Advocacy Teacher.

**Education:** JD, Northwestern University Law School; BA, Vassar College.

**Legal/Judicial Experience:** Trial lawyer public and private sectors, Washington, Illinois and Federal Courts. Judge Pro Tempore. UW Certified mediator. Adjunct faculty UW Law School. Program Director National Institute for Trial Advocacy.

**Family:** Married, two children.

**Significant Career Experience:** Federal civil rights attorney. Argued simple and complex civil and criminal cases in Municipal,

District, Superior, Appellate and Federal Courts. Mediator. Taught hundreds of lawyers. U.S. State Department funded teacher of lawyers in Africa. Founder, internet filtering company.

### Candidate Statement

You and everyone who comes before a court in our community are entitled to be treated fairly and with respect no matter who you are.

Over my 34 year career I have lived by this principle handling *criminal and civil* cases, in *Municipal, District, Superior and Federal* trials. My clients have included the *U.S. government*, enforcing our *civil rights* laws, *union members* in grievance arbitrations, *corporations and poor and working people*. For over 20 years I have worked to improve our system of justice by *teaching hundreds of UW law students and lawyers* here and nationally how to conduct themselves in court with the highest professional and ethical standards. I serve now as a *Pro Tem Judge*.

My husband and I raised two daughters in King County. We *founded a company* to protect our children and yours from the seedy side of the internet.

As a volunteer I have advocated for women, families and children through the NWWLC, the YMCA and Treehouse.

My experiences have prepared me to judge the wide variety of matters in Superior Court efficiently and with compassion, fairness and firmness. You can count on me as your judge. See: www.hollyhillforjudge.com for more information.



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### Julia Garratt

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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Parole Board Member, King County Superior Court Judge Pro Tem

**Education:** BA - University of Washington ('75), Law Degree - Gonzaga University ('79)

**Legal/Judicial Experience:** King County Superior Court Judge Pro Tem - 1000 days sitting on the bench; Tukwila and Auburn Municipal Courts; Public Defender for the Associated Counsel for the Accused; Deputy Prosecuting Attorney; Pro Bono representation in Domestic Relations cases in Family Court.

**Family:** Married - 4 children (2 sons serving our country with distinction in the Navy), King County resident since 1961

**Significant Career Experience:** 1000 days sitting on King County Superior Court bench; current member on the Indeterminate Sentence Review Board (Parole Board).

#### **Candidate Statement**

Julia Garratt is an exceptional candidate who has the experience and leadership ability for King County Superior Court. Julia has served as a Superior Court Judge Pro Tem since 1998 and has been a lawyer for 29 years. She has ruled in thousands of cases and has served 1000 days on the bench. Highly rated by her peers, Julia is respected for her fairness and understanding of the laws of King County and the State of Washington. Appointed to the Indeterminate Sentence Review Board (Parole Board) in 1994, she has been reappointed by Governors Locke and Gregoire. She has served both as a prosecutor and public defender and is the most experienced candidate running for Superior Court position 22.

Julia believes in equal access to the court and equal justice for everyone within the judicial system and is passionate about maintaining the public trust. She has received "Exceptionally Well-Qualified" and "Well-Qualified" ratings from the King County Bar, Asian Bar, Loren Miller Bar, Latina/o Bar and QLaw Bar Associations. Julia Garratt is experienced, qualified and respected and will be "your voice" on the King County Superior Court.

# King Superior Court

## Judge Position 26 (Nonpartisan Office)



### Laura Gene Middaugh

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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Judge, King County Superior Court, 2001-present

**Education:** JD, cum laude, 1983, Seattle University; AS, Registered Nursing, 1974, De Anza College; BA, Psychology, 1971, University of California at Santa Cruz

**Legal/Judicial Experience:** Judge Middaugh was an associate, then partner, in a South King County law firm. She also was a sole practitioner, a mediator, and served as a Superior Court Commissioner.

**Family:** Married to Adam Kline for 19 years.

**Significant Career Experience:** As a judge, she has presided over hundreds of civil, criminal and family law matters.

#### **Candidate Statement**

An experienced and respected judge, Laura Gene Middaugh has served as a Superior Court Judge for eight years after seventeen years of practicing law. One of the hallmarks of a good judge is the ability to separate fact from fiction. This takes more than legal training; it takes life experience.

Judge Middaugh worked her way through Seattle University Law School as an intensive care nurse. She volunteered for the Swedish Hospice program and has been a mentor with the King County Family Law Program.

In her first term, she was elected by her fellow judges to the Board of Trustees of the Superior Court Judges Association. In her second term she was appointed by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court to chair the Pattern Forms Committee and by the Presiding Judge of the King County Superior Court to the Strategic Planning Committee.

Judge Middaugh has a reputation as a fair and impartial jurist and has earned the support of judges from the Washington State Supreme Court, the King County Superior Court, Washington Conservation Voters, King County Executive Ron Sims (D), State Representatives Skip Priest (R) and Jay Rodne (R) and many other elected officials and community leaders. Visit [www.ReelectJudgeMiddaugh.com](http://www.ReelectJudgeMiddaugh.com).

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his grandfather (SPEEA), father (Carpenter), mother (UFCW), and his brother (IBEW).

Matthew has brought his hard work ethic and passion for justice to his practice of law. He has represented people of all walks of life and small businesses in state and federal courts throughout Washington. His compassion and desire to serve his community have now drawn him to the bench, where his passion for justice, equality and the fair rule of law will serve the people well.

Who would you like to be your judge? Someone like Matthew; who will listen with compassion and fairness; will do the hard work to make sure the rule of law is followed and make sure justice is done? Or someone with different values? We, the People for Matthew R. Hale, choose Matt.

#### **Candidate Statement**

Matthew Hale had to earn his success. When he enrolled in High-line Community College at age 17, Matt already had spent summers working as a laborer and carpenter. Whether he was given a shovel, a hammer or just asked to crawl under a house to repair rotted timbers, he met the task. He learned his union values from

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### Nic Corning

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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Attorney/The Corning Law Firm

**Education:** Seattle University, BA, Labor Relations, cum laude; UW School of Law, JD.

**Legal/Judicial Experience:** Admitted to Washington State Bar Association, 1972.

**Family:** Married to Pat Corning, two daughters.

**Significant Career Experience:** President, Foundation for Washington Courts; President, Ballard Chamber of Commerce; President, Washington State Trial Lawyers; Member, American Board of Trial Advocates. Represented consumers holding Ford accountable for exploding Pinto gas tanks, and holding Chrysler responsible for knowingly designing/manufacturing Jeeps that rolled over. Landmark consumer protection cases: State v. Ralph

Williams, Johnson v. Beneficial Management and more. Named Super Lawyer by Washington Law and Politics magazine every year since 1999.

#### **Candidate Statement**

*“Some say Nic Corning looks like Santa,” says Faith Ireland, retired Washington Supreme Court Justice. “He will bring many gifts as a judge: intelligence, energy, compassion, integrity and common sense. He has the courtroom experience we need.”*

For 35 years I’ve represented the injured and disabled in courtrooms, helping people win disputes against the powerful insurance industry. I have obtained justice for consumers, small business owners and people like you and your family.

My decision to be a judge follows many years of public service as a volunteer leader - teaching, writing and advocating to end injustice.

I’ve arbitrated, prosecuted and defended criminal and civil cases in state and federal courts. I’m committed to people getting equal access to justice, promoting diversity and making our legal system fair, fast and effective.

A lifelong Washingtonian from a working class family, I attended public schools and worked my way through college and law school as a cement finisher.

I’ll be an honest, fair and impartial judge - solving problems and assuring that people get their day in court.

*Rated highly by six bar associations, King County Labor Council. Endorsed by five Washington State Supreme Court Justices.*



### Jean Rietschel

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#### **Biographical Information**

**Legal/Judicial Experience:** In her 12 years as a Seattle Municipal Court Judge, Jean was Presiding Judge for 3 years, and on the Court’s Executive Committee for eight years. She’s been a member of the Judicial Ethics Advisory Board; Chair, Trial Court Coordinating Counsel; Chair, King County Regional Law and Justice Committee; Chair, Regional Relicensing Summit; and Co-chair, Misdemeanor Work Group. She worked for eight years in the Public Defender Association in all divisions: felony, misdemeanor, juvenile, dependency, appeal, and civil commitments. Before that, she was in private practice, handling juvenile, criminal, personal injury, consumer bankruptcy, domestic partnership, adoption, wills and probate matters.

#### **Candidate Statement**

Judge Jean Rietschel has been a judge in King County for the past 12 years, adjudicating more than 1,000 cases in Municipal Court ranging from domestic violence, criminal infractions and land use disputes. She led the Seattle Municipal Court as its Presiding Judge. She has heard more cases than *all* of the other candidates running for open seats this election season.

She has been rated *“Exceptionally Well Qualified”* by the King County, Asian Bar, Washington Women Lawyers, Latina/o, and GLBT Bar Associations. She has consistently been top-rated by attorney evaluation polls throughout her career.

Judge Jean took the lead in writing the Misdemeanor Report, which saves money and reduces the number of defendants who fail to show up in court by offering alternative sanctions and relicensing programs. She established the new Domestic Violence Court to hold suspects more accountable. The Alternatives to Confinement program was also her idea - to save dollars and promote rehabilitation in cases where offenders were non-violent.

Judge Jean is endorsed by more than 30 Supreme Court, Court of Appeals, and bench court judges; Women’s Political Caucus; most of the Seattle City Councilmembers; many local legislators including Speaker Frank Chopp; and your friends and neighbors.

## King Superior Court Judge Position 37 (Nonpartisan Office)



### Barbara Mack

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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Senior Deputy Prosecuting Attorney for King County

**Education:** Graduate of University of Washington Law School, 1986. B.A. Boston University

**Legal/Judicial Experience:** 22 years prosecuting all kinds of crimes, including sex crimes, domestic violence, murder; more than 10 years in the Fraud Division litigating complex civil forfeitures, complex economic and other crimes; lead prosecutor in Drug Diversion Court.

**Family:** Mother of a teenager who attends Ballard High School.

**Significant Career Experience:** Deputy Under Secretary, U.S. Department of Interior, Carter Administration. Co-founded national Environmental Policy Center, 1972. Teaching: seminars at

J.F.K. Institute of Politics, Harvard; classes on law and ethics for lawyers and police.

#### **Candidate Statement**

Rated “well qualified” by the King County Bar Association, Senior Deputy Prosecutor Barbara Mack is a tireless advocate for justice and dedicated public servant. She has prosecuted nearly every type of crime, compassionately advocating for victims and achieving fair sentences. She has the real world experience we need in our Superior Court.

As lead prosecutor in Drug Diversion Court, Barbara works to reduce crime and its costs to taxpayers, and helps offenders become contributing members of society. She has a reputation in the courts for hard work, strong intellect, fairness, and good humor.

Prior to her courtroom work, Barbara co-founded a national environmental organization and served as Deputy Under Secretary of the U.S. Department of Interior.

A deeply involved community volunteer, she chairs the Board of Directors of Children’s Trust Foundation.

Barbara says: “I will honor your vote by being a fair and ethical judge. I promise to improve our justice system, protect our communities, and ensure equal access to justice.”

Endorsements: Seattle Police Officers Guild, County Executive Ron Sims, Judy Maleng, Mike McKay, and dozens of State Senators, Representatives, judges, and citizens throughout King County. For more, see [www.MackforSuperiorCourt.com](http://www.MackforSuperiorCourt.com) .

# King Superior Court

## Judge Position 53 (Nonpartisan Office)



### Mariane Spearman

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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Judge, King County District Court, West Division

**Education:** Graduate of University of Washington Law School (1984); Undergraduate degree in Psychology from Rutgers University (1981).

**Legal/Judicial Experience:** 13 years judicial experience: King County District Court judge (2000-present) • Juvenile Court Judge in Superior Court (2002-03) • Kirkland Municipal Court judge (1995-2000). Family law attorney (1992-94); public defender (1985-92).

**Family:** Judge Spearman resides in Seattle with her husband, Michael, and their two children.

**Significant Career Experience:** Former board member of *Childhaven* • volunteer judge for *King County Kids Court* • Coordinator for *International District Pro Bono Legal Clinic*

#### **Candidate Statement**

Mariane Spearman has been an outstanding judge for over 13 years. She served as the presiding judge of Kirkland Municipal Court for 5 years and for the last 8 years on the King County District Court. She is actively involved in the administration of the court as the Presiding Judge of the West Division, a member of the Executive Committee and chair of the Personnel committee.

Judge Spearman has been rated “Exceptionally Well Qualified” for election to this position by: the King County Bar Association • the Joint Asian Evaluation Committee • the Loren Miller Bar Association (African American lawyers) • Q Law the GLBT Bar Association • the Latina/o Bar Association.

Judge Spearman’s supporters include King County Executive Ron Sims, King County Council member Larry Gossett, Seattle City Council member Bruce Harrell, Jon Bridge and over 50 judges from the Supreme, Appellate, Superior, District and Municipal Courts. She is also endorsed by the Women’s Political Caucus, the King County Police Officers Guild, the 33<sup>rd</sup> District Democrats, and AFSCME Local 21.

Judge Spearman has a solid reputation as a hard-working, fair and decisive jurist. She would be honored to have your vote.



### Ann Danieli

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#### **Biographical Information**

**Current Occupation/Employer:** Superior Court Judge Pro Tem in King County Juvenile Court. Attorney for 26 years with extensive trial experience.

**Education:** Seattle University School of Law, 1982; University of California at Santa Cruz, 1978.

**Legal/Judicial Experience:** Superior, District, & Municipal Court Judge Pro Tem. 26 years of legal experience as an attorney practicing in Superior, District & Municipal Courts.

**Family:** Seattle resident for 26 years.

**Significant Career Experience:** As a Superior Court Judge Pro

Tem in King County Juvenile Court, Ann Danieli has earned a well deserved reputation for her sound legal judgment, courtroom temperament and fair application of the law.

#### **Candidate Statement**

Ann Danieli has the judicial experience and extensive knowledge of the law we need on the Superior Court Bench.

As a Superior Court Judge Pro Tem, Ann Danieli has earned the respect of her colleagues because of her firm but fair treatment of all those who appear in her Courtroom. As a Judge Pro Tem, Ann has clearly demonstrated her thorough knowledge, and application of the law and her proven ability to treat all sides fairly.

Ann Danieli has also made important contributions to our community through her involvement working with troubled youth, pro bono legal representation and her work on committees confronting Domestic Violence.

Ann Danieli has the judicial experience, temperament, and knowledge of the law that we need from our Judges.

With her trusted judgment and commitment to our community, and her endorsements from leaders throughout King County, Ann Danieli will bring immediate credibility and experience to the Superior Court Bench.

On August 19, 2008 please vote for Ann Danieli for the King County Superior Court Position #53.

# King County Initiative 26 and Council-Proposed Alternative

## Official Ballot Title

### INITIATIVE 26 AND COUNCIL-PROPOSED ALTERNATIVE

The following initiative proposed ordinance (Initiative 26) and council proposed alternative ordinance (Council-Proposed Alternative) concern the election of nonpartisan county officials and the nonpartisan selection of districting committee members.

**Initiative 26:** If this initiative is approved by voters, it would place a charter amendment on the November 2008 general election ballot that would ask, "Shall the King County Charter be amended to make the offices of King county executive, King county assessor and King county council nonpartisan, and to establish the nonpartisan selection of districting committee members?"

**Council-Proposed Alternative:** If this council-proposed alternative ordinance is approved by voters, it would place a charter amendment on the November 2008 general election ballot that would ask, "Shall the King County Charter be amended to make the offices of King county executive, King county assessor and King county council nonpartisan, to allow candidates for these county offices the option of having their political party preference appear on the ballot, and to establish the nonpartisan selection of districting committee members?"

1. Should either of these proposed ordinances to place a charter amendment before the voters in November 2008 be adopted?  
 YES  NO
2. Regardless of whether you voted yes or no above, if one of the proposed ordinances is adopted, which one should it be?  
 INITIATIVE 26  COUNCIL-PROPOSED ALTERNATIVE

## Explanatory Statement

This measure presents voters with two questions. The first question is whether either of two proposed charter amendments, both of which propose to make the elected offices of county executive, assessor, and councilmember nonpartisan and to establish the nonpartisan selection of district committee members, should be presented to the voters for adoption or rejection at the November 2008 General Election. The second question is which of the two proposed charter amendments should be presented to the voters at the November 2008 General Election. If a majority of voters voting on the first question vote "No", then neither proposed charter amendment will appear on the ballot at the November 2008 General Election. If a majority of voters voting on the first question vote "Yes", then the proposal receiving the greatest number of votes will appear on the ballot at the November 2008 General Election. Voters may vote on the second question regardless of how they voted on the first question.

### Statement for amending charter

What has united former **Democratic Governor Booth Gardner** and former **Republican Governor Dan Evans**? They agree that local government should **deliver basic services** to all citizens *regardless of party preference*.

Local elections are about making **independent choices** based on what a candidate has to offer, *not party labels*.

Infighting and partisan bickering are a diversion from addressing the public's real needs. **There are no Republican roads or Democratic stop lights.**

Unfortunately, the partisan King County Council has refused to allow a public vote on nonpartisan reform despite recommendations from its own **Charter Review Commission** in 1997, and previous calls from citizens groups like the **Municipal League** and the **League of Women Voters**.

Nonpartisan county elections are endorsed by **over 25 nonpartisan Mayors and City Councilmembers** across King County, as well as the **Suburban Cities Association**.

Nonpartisan elections **improve voter choice** by attracting more candidates.

In 2005, when all nine partisan county council seats were up for election, **only five new candidates emerged**. Each new challenger was defeated by over 24%. In that same year, **nonpartisan** elections in some King County cities attracted more than **five new candidates in one race!**

**Voting Yes = more competitive elections = more voter choice!**

### Rebuttal of statement against

**I-26 preserves voter's "right to know."** • Candidates would still be free to list endorsements and organizational support on campaign literature and in the **voters' guide**.

**Partisanship hinders decision making!** • Partisan pressures often **prevent compromise**. Nonpartisanship frees local officials to **work together** without the division of party labels.

**I-26 gives voters a "right to choose."** • Nonpartisanship will **end party control in uncompetitive districts** while attracting more qualified candidates to local office.

**STATEMENT PREPARED BY:** Booth Gardner, Dan Evans, Sue Singer

### Statement against amending charter

As former Governor of the State of Washington and as long-serving State Representative, we have found a key principle reaffirmed time and time again: transparency in government is critical to our democracy.

To this end, we do not support Initiative 26, which will eliminate a key decision-making tool for voters.

**I-26 Diminishes Transparency.** Citizens have a right to know the party affiliation of candidates for county office in order to determine their basic political philosophy. A non-partisan county government does not remove political philosophy or political differences; it only makes it more difficult for the average voter to determine beliefs a candidate will use to make decisions.

**I-26 Hinders Decision-Making.** When party affiliation is openly and publicly acknowledged, elected officials of diverse political philosophy must work to build bridges and forge compromise—the very essence of the democratic process. In a well-functioning legislative body, this diversity helps inform debate, and is transparent to the public.

We have a deep respect and appreciation for the open forum of diverse political philosophies and feel that clear, open party declaration encourages effective decision-making, a diversity of thought, and transparency in government.

### Rebuttal of statement for

Voters know candidates' beliefs and ideas when candidates reveal their party preference. That information shouldn't be hidden.

Knowing where people stand leads to honest conversation, collaboration and compromise. Almost all votes taken by the County Council are unanimous or bi-partisan. When councilmembers disagree, it's usually because of clear philosophical differences - differences voters have a right to know before they choose their representatives. **Keep candidates honestly revealing party preference; keep informed.**

**STATEMENT PREPARED BY:** Mike Lowry, Sharon Tomiko Santos

# King County Initiative 26 and Council-Proposed Alternative

Regardless of whether you voted yes or no on amending the Charter, if one of these proposed ordinances is adopted, which one should it be?

## Initiative 26

(The complete text begins on page 84.)

### Explanatory Statement

Initiative 26 is a proposed ordinance. If approved by voters at the August 19 election, it would place a charter amendment on the November 2008 General Election ballot. The proposed charter amendment would ask voters whether they want to amend the charter to make the elected offices of county executive, assessor, and councilmember nonpartisan and whether they want to establish the nonpartisan selection of districting committee members. If the charter amendment was approved at the November 2008 General Election, the offices of county executive, assessor, and councilmember would be elected according to general law governing nonpartisan elections. The first nonpartisan elections would occur at the next regularly scheduled election for each office. For the county executive and councilmembers for odd-numbered council districts, that would be November 2009 and for the assessor and councilmembers for even-numbered council districts, it would be November 2011. Nonpartisan elections would be held every four years thereafter and any vacancies would be filled pursuant to general law governing vacancies for nonpartisan county elective office. Approval of the charter amendment would also result in districting committee members, who are appointed by the council every ten years for the purpose of drawing a countywide districting plan, no longer being appointed based on political party.

### Statement for Initiative 26

**Accept no imitations!** Reject the King County Council-Proposed Alternative by **Voting Yes on Initiative 26!**

The political parties' and council's "alternative" *claims* to be nonpartisan but actually creates a **partisan election process**.

The parties' and council's "alternative" *maintains* partisanship by making **no change** to the way we elect county leaders.

The partisan King County Council has never allowed a public vote on nonpartisan reform. Despite several attempts by community groups, elected officials and one of the County's own Charter Review Commissions, **the parties and the council have blocked** every attempt to put nonpartisanship on the ballot.

Since the parties and council cannot prevent a qualified initiative from appearing on the ballot, they are trying to preserve partisanship by confusing the voters.

**The alternative is partisan business as usual.**

Only **Initiative 26** can end partisan bickering by bringing about **true** nonpartisan reform.

Only **Initiative 26** is supported by dozens of nonpartisan mayors and city councilmembers across King County.

Only **Initiative 26** was signed by over 80,000 King County voters.

Only **Initiative 26** will create **genuine** nonpartisan elections for county offices.

Local Government needs **professionalism, not partisanship**.

Please **Vote YES**, and then **vote for Initiative 26**

### Rebuttal of statement for Alternative

**The "alternative" is intended to fool voters.** • The political parties will stop at nothing to preserve partisanship in local elections. The "alternative" *says* nonpartisan but in reality **changes nothing**.

**Nonpartisan government works!** • Of the 12 **most populous** counties in the United States, **half are nonpartisan**. All local governments in King County are nonpartisan.

**The "alternative" creates partisan elections for nonpartisan offices!** • We need **real change** that rejects partisanship in local government.

[www.bettercounty.org](http://www.bettercounty.org)

**STATEMENT PREPARED BY:** Susan Hutchison, Sue Singer, Linda Kochmar

## Council-Proposed Alternative

King County Ordinance No. 16128

(The complete text begins on page 85.)

### Explanatory Statement

The Council-Proposed Alternative is a proposed ordinance. If approved by voters at the August 19 election, it would place a charter amendment on the November 2008 General Election ballot asking voters whether they want to amend the charter to make the elected offices of county executive, assessor, and councilmember nonpartisan and whether they want to establish the nonpartisan selection of districting committee members. The difference between this proposed charter amendment and that proposed in Initiative 26 is that this proposed charter amendment would allow candidates for the offices of executive, assessor and councilmember to state their preference for a political party and have that preference appear on the ballot. If the charter amendment were approved at the November 2008 General Election, the offices of county executive, assessor, and councilmember would be elected according to general law governing nonpartisan elections except that candidates would be permitted to state a political party preference as indicated above. The timing for nonpartisan elections and the filling of vacancies would be the same as under Initiative 26 and approval of this charter amendment would also result in districting committee members no longer being appointed based on political party.

### Statement for Council-Proposed Alternative

**The alternative makes county government nonpartisan while protecting the voter's "right to know."**

This alternative makes county offices nonpartisan but lets voters know the candidates' partisan affiliations and preferences. While Initiative 26 would hide this important information from us, the alternative lets voters know whether or not a candidate has a party preference by allowing candidates to list their party preferences—or "no preference"—right on the ballot. The alternative still makes county government nonpartisan.

King County is a complex regional government and county officials must make difficult and sometimes controversial decisions that directly affect us, such as:

- Should the county focus more resources on punishing offenders or on rehabilitating them?
- How can the government manage growth while protecting our property rights?
- What priorities should inform the county's \$5 billion budget?

Difficult questions like these confront county officeholders each and every day. Don't we deserve as much information as possible about the people we elect to decide these important questions? Party preference isn't the only information voters need to make informed decisions, but it helps orient us to the priorities of our candidates. We need nonpartisan government that protects our right to know.

### Rebuttal of statement for Initiative 26

If it's time for nonpartisan government, why take away information voters currently have? Why try and hide a candidate's true leanings? Don't the voters have a right to know whether or not elected officials have a party preference? What are the Initiative 26 backers afraid of? Why should insiders be the only ones who know?

The alternative protects a candidate's right to free association while protecting the voter's right to know.

**STATEMENT PREPARED BY:** Mike Lowry, Sally Clark, Larry Gossett

# Town of Skykomish

## Official Ballot Title

**TOWN OF SKYKOMISH  
PROPOSITION NO. 1  
PROPOSED ANNEXATION INTO  
FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 50**

Fire Protection District No. 50 passed Resolution No. 08-01 and the Town of Skykomish passed Ordinance No. 387 both concerning annexation of the Town of Skykomish into Fire Protection District No. 50. Shall the Town of Skykomish be annexed to and be a part of Fire Protection District No. 50?

- YES  
 NO

## Explanatory Statement

King County Fire Protection District No. 50 Commissioners and Town of Skykomish Council would like to propose annexation of the corporate limits of the Town of Skykomish into King County Fire District No. 50. Although The Fire District has been providing Fire and Emergency Medical Service to the Town of Skykomish since the 1970s by contract, the Town is not within the corporate boundary of the District. While this may not have any dramatic effect on the Town residents in terms of the service they receive, there are some advantages in having the Town become annexed to the District.

- Annexation of the Town of Skykomish into the District would allow residents of the Town to be able to vote for commissioner, be a commissioner, and provide input regarding financial projects.
- Annexation to the District would eliminate the need to renegotiate a contract with the Town on an annual basis. If the Town were part of the District, fire protection and emergency medical service is automatically provided to Town residents on the same terms and conditions as for all residents of the District and there is nothing to negotiate.

**There will be no change in levy rates as a result of this annexation.** The residents in the Town of Skykomish will pay the same assessment rate as those other residents within the King County Fire Protection District No. 50 corporate boundary.

### Statement for

Endorsed by King County Fire Protection District #50 (K.C.F.P.D. #50), its commissioners and the Town of Skykomish, this proposition would allow the Town of Skykomish to be annexed into our current Fire Protection District. This annexation would allow residents of the Town of Skykomish to hold elected positions in K.C.F.P.D. #50 and increase input from the Town of Skykomish as well as its citizens.

This annexation would NOT increase taxes and/or levies and would make funding for K.C.F.P.D. #50 much more efficient by eliminating annual contracts and disbursement of funds through the Town of Skykomish.

The choice is clear, annexation improves the funding process for K.C.F.P.D. #50, the Town of Skykomish and its residents without sacrificing service or increasing costs.

*STATEMENT PREPARED BY: Bill Atkinson*

### Statement against

No Statement Submitted.



# Maple Valley Fire and Life Safety

## Official Ballot Title

**MAPLE VALLEY FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY  
(KING COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 43)  
PROPOSITION NO. 1**

**RESTORING PROPERTY TAX LEVY RATE**

The Board of Commissioners of Maple Valley Fire and Life Safety, also known as King County Fire Protection District No. 43 (the "District") adopted Resolution No. R-2008-03 to finance increased costs of fire protection and emergency medical services. This proposition would authorize the District to exceed the 1% limitation on annual increases in property taxes, restore the regular property tax levy rate to \$1.50 per \$1,000.00 of assessed value for collection in 2009, and allow an annual increase of up to 8% (but not to exceed a rate of \$1.50) for years 2010 through 2014. The amount of the levy collected in 2014 would thereafter be used to calculate the limitation on levies under the 1% levy lid. Should this proposition be:

APPROVED       REJECTED

## Explanatory Statement

Maple Valley Fire and Life Safety is placing a multi-year fire levy lid-lift on the August 19 ballot. If passed, this proposition authorizes the property tax levy rate to be **restored** to the lawful maximum rate of \$1.50 per \$1,000 of assessed value for 2009, and allows annual increases not to exceed 8% of the levy amount in each of the next five years. The 2014 levy would set the base for applying the 1% increase limitation in subsequent years. If approved, the increase in property tax to a home assessed at \$350,000.00, would be \$38.50 a year or \$3.20 a month.

The voters have restored the \$1.50 rate previously in 1999, 2001, 2003 and 2006 with single-year lid lifts. New legislation allows fire districts to propose multi-year lid lifts to voters. This proposition meets the requirements originally enacted in Initiative 747, that any revenue increase greater than 1% over the previous year be approved by the voters. The multi-year lid lift will save the District from having to come back to the voters every couple years to reauthorize funding and save the District the cost of the elections.

The additional funds will pay for increases in the costs of maintaining and improving the current levels of emergency services based upon community needs, including maintaining personnel levels, retaining special units and rescue teams, and preventing cutbacks in services and possible layoff of personnel that would otherwise be necessary.

## Statement for

Maple Valley Fire and Life Safety, serving the citizens of the greater Maple Valley area, is requesting a multi-year lid lift. This proposition will authorize the property tax levy rate to be restored to \$1.50 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation for 2009 with up to 8% annual increases in the following five years.

The request is to assure that present maintenance and operation monies are available to meet the service demands of our growing community. The District needs to be assured of funding that keeps pace with increasing payrolls, administrative costs, operation costs (including rising fuel costs), and special services such as rescue teams.

The six year levy lift is also a cost effective way to have a voter approved budget without incurring costly annual levy requests.

We need to maintain and have the ability to improve the exceptional services we now have in our fire district. A home valued at \$350,000 would cost the taxpayer an additional \$38.50 a year or \$3.20 a month in 2009.

Please VOTE YES; it's a small price to pay for this critical funding measure.

**STATEMENT PREPARED BY:** Bill VanRuff, Paul Bokor, Kristin Duttry "Kodie"

## Statement against

No Statement Submitted.

# King County Fire Protection District No. 50

## Official Ballot Title

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FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 50  
PROPOSITION NO. 1  
PROPOSED ANNEXATION INTO FIRE  
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**There will be no change in levy rates as a result of this annexation.** The residents in the Town of Skykomish will pay the same assessment rate as those other residents within the King County Fire Protection District No. 50 corporate boundary.

## Statement for

Endorsed by King County Fire Protection District #50 (K.C.F.P.D. #50), its commissioners and the Town of Skykomish, this proposition would allow the Town of Skykomish to be annexed into our current Fire Protection District. This annexation would allow residents of the Town of Skykomish to hold elected positions in K.C.F.P.D. #50 and increase input from the Town of Skykomish as well as its citizens.

This annexation would NOT increase taxes and/or levies and would make funding for K.C.F.P.D. #50 much more efficient by eliminating annual contracts and disbursement of funds through the Town of Skykomish.

The choice is clear, annexation improves the funding process for K.C.F.P.D. #50, the Town of Skykomish and its residents without sacrificing service or increasing costs.

*STATEMENT PREPARED BY: Bill Atkinson*

## Statement against

No Statement Submitted.

# Snoqualmie Pass Fire & Rescue

## Official Ballot Title

### SNOQUALMIE PASS FIRE & RESCUE PROPOSITION NO. 1 AUTHORIZING BENEFIT CHARGES

Shall Snoqualmie Pass Fire & Rescue be authorized to impose benefit charges each year for up to a six-year period, not to exceed an amount equal to sixty percent of its operating budget, and be prohibited from imposing an additional property tax under RCW 52.16.160?

- YES  
 NO

## Explanatory Statement

Snoqualmie Pass Fire & Rescue provides emergency medical, and fire protection service to approximately 22 square miles of service area in King and Kittitas Counties. The District Board of Commissioners is requesting voter approval of a benefit charge.

A benefit charge is not a property tax. The benefit charge is a user fee designed to allocate the cost of the services provided by the District in reasonable proportion to the measurable benefit a property receives. The benefit charge will be based on a standard industry accepted formula that takes into consideration fire flows and the square footage of structures. In 2008, the benefit charge will be imposed only on commercial and multi-family housing properties for collection in 2009. In subsequent years the formula may be adjusted as necessary to provide for an appropriate level of services within the District.

The District Board of Commissioners has determined that a benefit charge, provides the fairest, most stable, reliable and cost effective method for financing the operations of the District and maintaining a satisfactory level of services.

The proposition requests voters to authorize the benefit charge for six years from 2008 through 2013. If approved by the voters, the benefit charge will be established by November 30<sup>th</sup> of each year for collection the following year. Prior to establishing the benefit charge each year, the District Board of Commissioners will hold a public hearing and each year property owners will have the right to appeal the amount of the benefit charge.

## Statement for

Our Fire Department has worked hard to find revenue sources that are more balanced, fair, and equitable than our current system. The Fire Benefit Charge (FBC) is the answer! The FBC will only be imposed on commercial and multi-family housing. Single-Family homes are not affected by the FBC charge!

The FBC will go towards continued essential services needed to serve our community such as equipment, training, and staffing.

The FBC is designed to use square footage, the type of structure, and number of stories to determine the amount of the fire and emergency services risk and therefore the fire benefit charge. For example, a home doesn't have the same risk as a fourth story condo unit, or as a commercial occupancy.

Another important factor is there are structures that are not currently taxed because they are on public land, but they receive fire protection. These include cabins or commercial buildings on forest service land, county, and state owned buildings.

A public hearing regarding the FBC will be held on August 5, 6:30 PM at the Fire Station. Additional information, including the estimated cost that your property would be charged, can be found at [www.snoqualmiepassfire.org/firebenefitcharge.htm](http://www.snoqualmiepassfire.org/firebenefitcharge.htm). Please vote YES on August 19<sup>th</sup>!

*STATEMENT PREPARED BY: Keri Spiliotis, Matt Karaus, Heather Dodd*

## Statement against

No Statement Submitted.

## Complete Text of King County Initiative 26

AN ORDINANCE proposing an initiative to amend the King County Charter to make the offices of King County executive, King County assessor and King County council nonpartisan, and to establish the nonpartisan selection of districting committee members; amending Section 610 of the King County Charter, Section 640 of the King County Charter, Section 650.20 of the King County Charter, Section 650.30.20 of the King County Charter and Section 680.10 of the King County Charter, repealing Section 620 of the King County Charter and submitting the same to the voters of the county for their approval or rejection at the next special election to be held in this county more than one-hundred thirty-five days after the presentment of petitions to the King County council.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

**SECTION 1.** There shall be submitted to the qualified voters of King County for their approval and ratification or rejection, at the next general election to be held in this county occurring more than forty-five days after the enactment of this ordinance, an amendment to the King County Charter by amending Section 610, Section 640, Section 650.20, Section 650.30.20 and Section 680.10 and repealing Section 620, to read as follows:

**Section 610. Election Procedures.**

~~((Except as provided in the Article, t))~~ The nominating primaries and elections for the offices of King County executive, King County assessor and King County council shall be conducted in accordance with general law governing the election of ((partisan)) nonpartisan county officers.

**Section 640. County Executive and Assessor.**

The county executive and county assessor shall be nominated and elected as nonpartisan offices by the voters of the county. The nomination and election of the county executive and county assessor shall be held every four years as a county general election at the same time as the general election for cities in the county commencing with the election of 1971 for the county assessor and with the election of 1973 for the county executive.

**Section 650.20. Nomination and Election.**

County councilmembers shall be nominated and elected as nonpartisan offices by the voters of each councilmember's respective district. The nomination and election of ~~((councilmen))~~ councilmembers shall be held every four years as a county general election at the same time as the general election for cities in the county commencing in even-numbered districts with the election of 1971 and in odd-numbered districts with the election of 1973.

**Section 650.30.20. Districting Committee.**

During the month of January, 2001, and by January 31 ~~((st))~~ of each tenth year thereafter, a five-member districting committee shall be appointed. The county council shall appoint four persons to the committee, ~~((two from each of the two major political parties;))~~ the four to appoint the fifth who shall be the chairperson. The districting committee shall no later than April 1 following their appointment meet and appoint a districting master who shall be qualified by education, training and experience to draw a districting plan. If the districting committee is unable to agree upon the appointment of a districting master by April 1, the county council shall appoint a districting master by May 31 ~~((st))~~ of the year.

**Section 680.10. Designation, Appointment and Election to Fill Vacancy.**

Immediately upon commencing their terms of office, the county executive, assessor and sheriff shall each designate one or more employees who serve as a deputy or assistant in such office to serve as an interim official in the event of a vacancy in the elective office of the county executive, assessor~~(;)~~ or sheriff, respectively.

Except for a designation made by the metropolitan county council, a designation of an interim official shall only be effective if the county executive, assessor and sheriff, each for his or her elective office,

complies with the following procedure; commits the designation to writing; identifies the order of precedence if more than one county officer or employee is designated; signs the written designation; has the written designation notarized; files the written designation with the county office responsible for records ~~((and elections));~~ and~~(;)~~ provides a copy of the written designation to the chair of the metropolitan county council. The county executive, assessor and sheriff may, at any time, amend such designation by complying with the same procedure established for making the designation.

In the event the county executive, assessor~~(;)~~ or sheriff neglects or fails to make such a designation within seven calendar days of commencing his or her term of office, the metropolitan county council may by ordinance designate one or more employees who serve as a deputy or assistant in such office to serve as an interim official in the event of a vacancy in the elective office of the county executive, assessor~~(;)~~ or sheriff, respectively. A designation made by the metropolitan county council shall be effective upon adoption of the ordinance therefor and may be amended by ordinance; provided that a designation by the county executive, assessor~~(;)~~ or sheriff which occurs subsequent to the adoption of an ordinance shall take precedence over the designation by ordinance.

The designated county officer or employee shall immediately upon the occurrence of a vacancy serve as the interim official and shall exercise all the powers and duties of the office granted by this charter and general law until an acting official is appointed as provided in this section.

The metropolitan county council shall, after being appraised of a vacancy in the elective office of county executive, assessor or sheriff, fill the vacancy by the appointment of an employee who served as a deputy or assistant in such office at the time vacancy occurred as an acting official to perform all necessary duties to continue normal office operations. The acting official shall serve until the vacancy is filled by appointment ~~((pursuant to Article II, section 15, of the Washington State Constitution for partisan county elective offices or))~~ pursuant to general law for nonpartisan county elective offices ~~((, as applicable)).~~

A vacancy in an elective county office shall be filled at the next primary and general elections which occur in the county; provided that an election to fill the vacancy shall not be held if the successor to the vacated office will be elected at the next general election as provided in Sections 640 and 645 of this charter. The term of office of an officer who has been elected to fill a vacancy shall only be for the unexpired portion of the term of the officer whose office has become vacant and shall commence as soon as he or she is elected and qualified.

A majority of the county council may temporarily fill a vacancy by appointment until the vacancy has been filled by election or the successor to the office has been elected and qualified.

**Section 620 repealed.** Section 620, "Independent Candidates," of the King County Charter is hereby repealed.

**SECTION 2.** If this ordinance is enacted, the ballot title for the proposed charter amendment shall be in substantially the following form, with such additions, deletions or modifications as may be required by the prosecuting attorney:

This initiative would place the following proposed charter amendment on the November 2008 general election ballot: "Shall the King County Charter be amended to make the offices of King county executive, King county assessor and King county council nonpartisan, and to establish the nonpartisan selection of districting committee members?" Should this initiative be adopted?

**SECTION 3. A.** If this ordinance is approved by a majority of the voters voting on the issue, it shall become enacted when the results of the election are certified.

**B.** If this ordinance is enacted, the question of amendment of the King County Charter shall be submitted to the qualified voters of King County for their approval and ratification or rejection at the next general election forty-five days after enactment of this ordinance.

# Complete Text of King County Council-Proposed Alternative Ordinance No. 16128

Proposed No. 2008-0311.3

Sponsors Phillips, Ferguson,  
Gossett, Patterson and Constantine

AN ORDINANCE related to elections; rejecting Initiative 26 and adopting an alternative ordinance to amend the King County Charter to make the offices of King County executive, King County assessor and King County council nonpartisan, to establish the nonpartisan selection of districting committee members, and to allow candidates for the office of King County executive, King County assessor and King County council to state his or her preference for a political party, or not state a preference, to be submitted to the voters at the August 19, 2008, special election; calling a special election for Initiative 26 and this alternative ordinance; amending Section 610 of the King County Charter, Section 640 of the King County Charter, Section 650.20 of the King County Charter, Section 650.30.20 of the King County Charter and Section 680.10 of the King County Charter, repealing Section 620 of the King County Charter; and calling a special election for this ordinance.

## STATEMENT OF FACTS:

1. Section 230.50 of the King County Charter specifies a county initiative process whereby the public may propose a county ordinance by filing with the council the required number of signed petitions from registered county voters.
2. A county initiative proposing an amendment to the King County Charter to make the offices of King County executive, King County assessor, King County assessor and King County council nonpartisan and to establish the nonpartisan selection of districting committee members has been proposed ("Initiative 26").
3. On December 20, 2007, in accordance with K.C.C. 1.16.050, the King County prosecutor's office prepared a ballot title for the proposed Initiative 26 measure, which is, "This initiative would place the following proposed charter amendment on the November 2008 general election ballot: Shall the King County Charter be amended to make the offices of King County executive, King County assessor and King County council nonpartisan, and to establish the nonpartisan selection of districting committee members? Should this initiative be adopted?"
4. On January 2, 2008, in accordance with Section 230.50 of the King County Charter, the clerk of the council approved as to the form the proposed petitions for Initiative 26.
5. On April 1, 2008, there were four thousand six hundred petitions filed for Initiative 26 by the initiative's sponsor with the clerk of the council.
6. On May 14, 2008, the King County elections division director certified that the number of valid signatures is sufficient for the initiative to be deemed proposed.
7. Section 230.50 of the King County Charter authorizes the county council to adopt an alternative ordinance to an initiative proposed ordinance and submit the alternative ordinance for voter approval or rejection on the same ballot as the initiative proposed ordinance.
8. On the August 19, 2008 ballot, voters would first be given the choice of either rejecting both Initiative 26 and this alternative proposed ordinance; or accepting either Initiative 26 or this alternative proposed ordinance.
9. If a majority votes to accept either Initiative 26 or this alternative proposed ordinance, the underlying charter amendment from the proposed ordinance receiving the most votes would be placed on the November 4, 2008 ballot.

10. On May 2, 2008, the state of Washington secretary of state issued a rule-making order, WAC 434-215-120, for immediate adoption for the purpose of implementing state Initiative 872 for the 2008 primary and general elections. Under this rule, candidates for partisan office may state their preferred party identification on the declaration of candidacy and if a preferred party identification is stated, it will appear on the ballot. A candidate may also choose to not state a preference for a political party. A candidate's preference may not imply that the candidate is nominated or endorsed by the party, or that the party approves of or associates with that candidate.

11. The King County council finds that for elections to the offices of King County executive, King County assessor and King County council, the citizens of King County are better served by having information provided to them on the ballot on a candidate's preferred political party preference so long as the candidate's preference, if any, does not imply that the candidate is nominated or endorsed by the party, or that the party approves of or associates with that candidate.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. Initiative 26 is hereby rejected.

SECTION 2. This alternative ordinance to make the offices of King County executive, King County assessor and King County council nonpartisan, to establish the nonpartisan selection of districting committee members, and to allow candidates for the offices of King County executive, King County assessor and King County council to state their preference for a political party, or not state a preference is hereby adopted.

SECTION 3. This alternative ordinance shall be submitted along with Initiative 26 to the qualified voters of King County for their approval and ratification or rejection, at a special election held on August 19, 2008. If this alternative ordinance is approved, there shall be submitted to the qualified voters of King County for their approval and ratification or rejection, at the November 2008 general election, an amendment to the King County Charter by amending Section 610, Section 640, Section 650.20, Section 650.30.20 and Section 680.10 and repealing Section 620, to read as follows:

**Section 610. Election Procedures.** ~~((Except as provided in the Article, t))~~ The nominating primaries and elections for the offices of King County executive, King County assessor and King County council shall be conducted in accordance with general law governing the election of ((partisan)) nonpartisan county officers. Candidates for the offices of King County executive, King County assessor, King County sheriff and King County council may state their political party preference or no party preference on the declaration of candidacy form and have that preference, if any, appear on the ballot.

**Section 640. County Executive and Assessor.** The county executive and county assessor shall be nominated and elected as nonpartisan offices by the voters of the county. The nomination and election of the county executive and county assessor shall be held every four years as a county general election at the same time as the general election for cities in the county commencing with the election of 1971 for the county assessor and with the election of 1973 for the county executive.

**Section 650.20. Nomination and Election.** County councilmembers shall be nominated and elected as nonpartisan offices by the voters of each councilmember's respective district. The nomination and election of ~~((councilmen))~~ councilmembers shall be held every four years as a county general election at the same time as the general election for cities in the county commencing in even-numbered districts with the election of 1971 and in odd-numbered districts with the election of 1973.

**Section 650.30.20. Districting Committee.** During the month of January, 2001, and by January 31((st)) of each tenth year thereafter, a five-member districting committee shall be appointed. The county council shall appoint four persons to the committee, ~~((two from each of the two major political parties;))~~ the four to appoint the fifth who shall be the chairperson. The districting committee shall no later than April 1 follow-

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ing their appointment meet and appoint a districting master who shall be qualified by education, training and experience to draw a districting plan. If the districting committee is unable to agree upon the appointment of a districting master by April 1, the county council shall appoint a districting master by May 31((st)) of the year.

**Section 680.10. Designation, Appointment and Election to Fill Vacancy.** Immediately upon commencing their terms of office, the county executive, assessor and sheriff shall each designate one or more employees who serve as a deputy or assistant in such office to serve as an interim official in the event of a vacancy in the elective office of the county executive, assessor(;) or sheriff, respectively.

Except for a designation made by the metropolitan county council, a designation of an interim official shall only be effective if the county executive, assessor and sheriff, each for his or her elective office, complies with the following procedure; commits the designation to writing; identifies the order of precedence if more than one county officer or employee is designated; signs the written designation; has the written designation notarized; files the written designation with the county office responsible for records ((and elections)); and(;) provides a copy of the written designation to the chair of the metropolitan county council. The county executive, assessor and sheriff may, at any time, amend such designation by complying with the same procedure established for making the designation.

In the event the county executive, assessor(;) or sheriff neglects or fails to make such a designation within seven calendar days of commencing his or her term of office, the metropolitan county council may by ordinance designate one or more employees who serve as a deputy or assistant in such office to serve as an interim official in the event of a vacancy in the elective office of the county executive, assessor(;) or sheriff, respectively. A designation made by the metropolitan county council shall be effective upon adoption of the ordinance therefor and may be amended by ordinance; provided that a designation by the county executive, assessor(;) or sheriff which occurs subsequent to the adoption of an ordinance shall take precedence over the designation by ordinance.

The designated county officer or employee shall immediately upon the occurrence of a vacancy serve as the interim official and shall exercise all the powers and duties of the office granted by this charter and general law until an acting official is appointed as provided in this section.

The metropolitan county council shall, after being appraised of a vacancy in the elective office of county executive, assessor or sheriff, fill the vacancy by the appointment of an employee who served as a deputy or assistant in such office at the time vacancy occurred as an acting official to perform all necessary duties to continue normal office operations. The acting official shall serve until the vacancy is filled by appointment ((pursuant to Article II, section 15, of the Washington State Constitution for partisan county elective offices or)) pursuant to general law for nonpartisan county elective offices((, as applicable)).

A vacancy in an elective county office shall be filled at the next primary and general elections which occur in the county; provided that an election to fill the vacancy shall not be held if the successor to the vacated office will be elected at the next general election as provided in Sections 640 and 645 of this charter. The term of office of an officer who has been elected to fill a vacancy shall only be for the unexpired portion of the term of the officer whose office has become vacant and shall commence as soon as he or she is elected and qualified.

A majority of the county council may temporarily fill a vacancy by appointment until the vacancy has been filled by election or the successor to the office has been elected and qualified.

**Section 620 repealed.** Section 620, "Independent Candidates," of the

King County Charter is hereby repealed.

**SECTION 4.** If this ordinance is enacted, the ballot title for the proposed charter amendment shall be in substantially the following form, with such additions, deletions or modifications as may be required by the prosecuting attorney: "Shall the King County Charter be amended to make the offices of King County executive, King County assessor and King County council nonpartisan, to establish the nonpartisan selection of districting committee members, and to allow candidates for these county offices the option of having their political party preference appear on the ballot? Should this charter amendment be adopted?"

**SECTION 5. A.** If this ordinance is approved by a majority of the voters voting on the issue, it shall become enacted when the results of the election are certified.

**B.** If this ordinance is enacted, the question of amendment of the King County Charter shall be submitted to the qualified voters of King County for their approval and ratification or rejection at the November 2008 general election.

Ordinance 16128 was introduced on 6/2/2008 and passed as amended by the Metropolitan King County Council on 6/9/2008, by the following vote:

Yes: 5 – Ms. Patterson, Mr. Constantine, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Gossett and Mr. Phillips

No: 4 – Mr. Dunn, Ms. Lambert, Mr. von Reichbauer and Ms. Hague

Excused: 0



# It's your turn be a poll worker

Poll workers perform an important role in administering one of our fundamental democratic freedoms: the right to vote.

As a poll worker, you will be part of a team of election workers serving King County voters in one of our 396 polling places on Election Day.

It's your turn. Be a poll worker.



Poll workers are paid \$125 for their time on Election Day and receive paid training prior to the election.

Signing up is easy.

Call 206-296-1606 or  
visit [kingcounty.gov/elections](http://kingcounty.gov/elections).



King County  
Elections

*For questions, please call 206-296-8683.*



# Your voter guide: know before you vote



Over the past four years, King County has focused on making all aspects of the election process accessible to all voters. As a result, polling places that were under utilized or not accessible to voters with disabilities were consolidated or closed. **Before you go to vote on August 19, confirm the location of your assigned polling place.**

*Your voter guide* is an online tool voters can use to confirm their registration and find their polling place along with comprehensive information about candidates and ballot measures. Enter your information to create your sample ballot, showing the races and candidates you can vote on.

To confirm your registration and find directions to your nearest polling location go to [kingcounty.gov/elections](http://kingcounty.gov/elections).

The screenshot shows the King County Elections website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for HOME, NEWS, SERVICES, DIRECTORY, and CONTACT. Below this is the 'Elections' header with the text 'King County Elections, Department of Executive Services'. The main content area is titled 'August 19, 2008 primary' and features a 'Your Registration Information' section with a 'YOUR VOTER GUIDE' graphic. Below this are sections for 'Your Polling Place' and 'Your Districts'. The polling place is AKI KUROSE MIDDLE SCHOOL at 3928 S GRAHAM ST, SEATTLE, WA 98118. The district is METROPOLITAN KING COUNTY. There are also sections for 'Your Candidates' and 'Your Candidates and Measures'. A sidebar on the left contains various navigation links and contact information.



# A new way to return your absentee ballot

King County is introducing seven ballot drop boxes throughout the county to provide absentee voters with another way to securely return their ballots without the cost of postage. Ballot drop boxes will open on August 1 and close at 8 p.m. on Election Day, August 19.

## Ballot drop box locations:

- **Bellevue.** Library Connection @ Crossroads, 15600 NE 8th St., Suite K-11
- **Black Diamond.** Black Diamond Library, 24707 Roberts Dr.
- **Des Moines.** Des Moines Library, 21620 11th Ave. S
- **Fall City.** Fall City Library, 33415 SE 42 Pl.
- **Lake Forest Park.** Lake Forest Park Library, 17171 Bothell Way NE
- **Pacific.** Algona Pacific Library, 255 Ellingson Rd.
- **Seattle.** King County Administration Building, 500 Fourth Ave.

Whether you mail your ballot, use a drop box, or return your absentee ballot to a neighborhood polling place, remember to vote on Tuesday, August 19, 2008.

**Drop boxes will be open to accept ballots starting Friday, August 1, and will remain open until 8 p.m. on August 19, Election Day.**



# Vote by mail



Starting in 2009, King County will conduct all elections by mail, which means that all registered King County voters will receive and cast their ballots by mail. Voting by mail is already the preferred method of voting for most people, with about 70 percent of ballots cast through the mail in every election. Voting by mail will streamline resources and support a single system for voting, training, processing, and counting. It is easy, accurate, and accessible to everyone.

## Never miss an election.

For the majority of voters who already vote by mail via absentee ballot, nothing will change. About three weeks prior to each election all registered voters will be mailed a ballot, which they must return, postmarked by Election Day.

With a ballot sent 20 days in advance, voters will have plenty of time to become informed about the issues and candidates, consider each vote in the relaxed comfort of their home, and securely return their ballot.

**No longer will voters miss out on voting because of traffic jams, working late, or simply forgetting to visit their neighborhood polling place.**


Once King County transitions entirely to vote by mail—planned for February 2009—voters with disabilities will still have the option of casting an independent and private ballot using an

accessible voting unit at a regional voting center, located throughout the county.

These centers will also serve as ballot drop-off locations for anyone who wishes to securely submit their voted ballot directly to King County, without the cost of postage.

Until then, accessible voting units can be found at each of King County's polling places on Election Day.





# One system for all, beginning February 2009

## Simple. Secure. Proven successful.

King County is committed to making this new system work for all voters, so that everyone can participate in one of the greatest rights of democracy—the right to vote.

Voting by mail is secure. Washington has stringent laws that require the signature on every ballot envelope to be checked and confirmed before it is counted.

**Voters will be able to verify that their ballot was received by King County Elections, and then be able to track its progress online as it is processed.**

Ballots are stored in locked, electronically controlled cages that are guarded by sheriff's deputies and multiple security cameras until the election is certified.

## Get ready today.

To prepare for the transition to vote by mail, all residents of King County should make sure that their home and mailing addresses are current to ensure their ballot reaches them. If you've moved, call us.

Poll voters can make sure that their signatures are up to date by filling out a voter registration form, available at [www.kingcounty.gov/elections](http://www.kingcounty.gov/elections) and at every polling place on August 19.

To receive your ballot by mail or learn more, please visit our Web site at [www.kingcounty.gov/elections](http://www.kingcounty.gov/elections), or give us a call at 206-296-VOTE (8683).



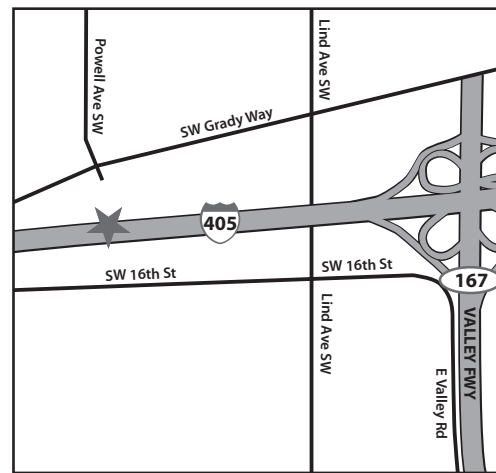
# King County Elections moved to Renton

In December 2007, King County Elections moved to a new, specially designed building at 919 SW Grady Way in Renton. Ballot security and vote counting improved when King County Elections closed its offices in Seattle and moved to this larger facility. The new election headquarters is centrally located in the middle of the county and is located on Metro bus route 140.

To increase security of ballots, the facility was designed to give the public full opportunity and ability to observe vote counting and processing from an observation loop located on the second floor. Voters can pick up a ballot in-person or vote on an accessible voting unit beginning July 30, 2008.

**King County Elections is open Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.**

**Special voter registration hours will be held on Saturday, August 2, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.**



# Accessible voting for everyone

Each of King County's 396 polling places offers an accessible voting unit, with an audio and touch-screen ballot in both English and Chinese. With large-font and high-contrast options as well as tactile devices, voting is made easy for people with partial or no vision and voters with a wide range of disabilities. All voters are welcome to vote using an accessible voting unit.

Early, in-person voting on an accessible voting unit is available weekdays, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. starting July 30 through August 18. Accessible voting is available on Election Day, August 19, from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the King County Elections office in Renton and at all polling places.

## How to vote an accessible ballot:

1. Check in with your poll worker and ask to vote using the accessible voting unit.
2. Choose the type of ballot you prefer: touch-screen ballot or audio ballot
3. The poll worker will issue you an encoded card with the correct ballot style for your precinct. The card does not store personal information and is cleared after each use.
4. To begin voting, insert your card into the card reader at the top right of the machine. Choose your language and follow the instructions to proceed.
5. To mark your ballot selections, touch the box next to your ballot choice on the screen. Simply touch the box again to de-select your choice.
6. After you've finished marking your selections, review the ballot summary screen and verify the paper copy of your ballot printout. To make changes, simply touch "reject ballot" and change your ballot selection. To submit your completed ballot, touch "cast ballot."
7. To cast an audio ballot, use the numeric keypad to vote. An audio summary will verify your choices and allow you to make changes.



# Political Party Precinct Committee Officers

► You may be eligible to vote for a political party Precinct Committee Officer.

## What is a Precinct Committee Officer?

Precinct Committee Officer is a position within each major political party. Washington State has two major political parties: the Democratic Party and the Republican Party. One Democratic Precinct Committee Officer and one Republican Precinct Committee Officer are elected from each precinct.

The role of the Precinct Committee Officer is to represent the precinct in political party activities, and to represent the political party in the precinct.

### [Know your election terms.]

“Precinct” means a geographical subdivision for voting purposes that is established by a county legislative authority. (RCW 29A.04.121)

## Is each candidate a member of a political party?

Unlike a candidate for public office, a candidate for Precinct Committee Officer must be a member of a political party. Precinct Committee Officers participate in party activities and represent the party.

## Who is eligible to vote for Precinct Committee Officers?

Because Precinct Committee Officer is a party position, not a public office, you must consider yourself a Democrat or Republican in order to vote for a Democratic or Republican candidate for Precinct Committee Officer. You may only vote for one candidate.

You do not have to formally join the Democratic or Republican Party, you do not have to sign a party oath, and voting in this election will not put your name on any party lists. If you consider yourself a Democrat or Republican, you can vote for a Precinct Committee Officer candidate of that party.

## How does a candidate for Precinct Committee Officer win?

The election for Precinct Committee Officer occurs during the August Primary. The position does not appear on the ballot for the November General Election.

Democratic candidates run against Democratic candidates, and Republican candidates run against Republican candidates. The candidate who receives the most votes wins. If there is no Democratic or Republican candidate on your ballot, then no candidate filed.



## Need more information?

For more information about the role of Political Party Precinct Committee Officers, contact the Democratic or Republican Party.

Washington State Democratic Party: (206) 583-0664, or [www.wa-democrats.org](http://www.wa-democrats.org)

Washington State Republican Party: (425) 460-0570, or [www.wsrp.org](http://www.wsrp.org)

# County Elections Department Information

These numbers require special telephone equipment to operate.

COUNTY ELECTIONS DEPARTMENT	MAILING ADDRESS	CITY	ZIP	TELEPHONE NUMBER	TDD/TTY SERVICE ONLY for the speech or hearing impaired.
Adams	210 W Broadway, Ste 200	Ritzville	99169	(509) 659-3249	(509) 659-1122
Asotin	PO Box 129	Asotin	99402	(509) 243-2084	(800) 855-1155
Benton	PO Box 470	Prosser	99350	(509) 736-3085	(800) 833-6388
Chelan	PO Box 400	Wenatchee	98807	(509) 667-6808	(800) 833-6388
Clallam	223 E Fourth St, Ste 1	Port Angeles	98362	(360) 417-2221 Toll-free (866) 433-VOTE	(800) 833-6388
Clark	PO Box 8815	Vancouver	98666-8815	(360) 397-2345	(800) 223-3131
Columbia	341 E Main St	Dayton	99328-1361	(509) 382-4541	(800) 833-6388
Cowlitz	207 N Fourth Ave, Rm 107	Kelso	98626	(360) 577-3005	(360) 577-3061
Douglas	213 S Rainier St, PO Box 456	Waterville	98858	(509) 745-8527	(509) 745-8527, Ext 207
Ferry	350 E Delaware Ave #2	Republic	99166	(509) 775-5200	(800) 833-6388
Franklin	PO Box 1451	Pasco	99301	(509) 545-3538	(800) 833-6388
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