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August 7, 2012 Primary and Special Election

King County
Official Local Voters’ Pamphlet

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King County
Department of Elections
Dear King County Voter:

The August primary and November general election represent the grand finale of our four year election cycle in this Presidential election year.

In keeping with the drama and intensity of Presidential year elections, this election cycle, national headlines have focused on stories about what some consider to be safeguards and others deem barriers to voter registration and voting. Registered voter purges, requirements to provide government issued photo identification, redistricting with the appearance of isolating minority communities, and screening requirements for voter registration are examples of programs creating controversy. Naturally, advocacy groups have lined up on both sides of these actions. Department of Justice law suits and Supreme Court rulings have reined in some states to address any semblance of voter discrimination. A prominent issue related to these actions is citizenship, and the fear that non-citizens are taking part in our political process.

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Voter registration in Washington requires signing the required oath attesting that you meet the legal qualifications. You are attesting to the fact that you are a citizen of the U.S. and at least 18. You are also declaring you are not under the authority of Department of Corrections and have not been disqualified from voting due to a court order. Registering to vote and voting without meeting these qualifications constitutes a violation of the law and is subject to prosecution. A registered voter or the prosecuting attorney has the right to challenge a voter’s registration status. Having served as an elections official in this state for over 16 years, I have witnessed very few voter challenges, and very rarely seen any challenges confirmed as voter fraud.

Successful challenges for fraud across the country also remain remarkably rare. Still, those states seeking to impose voting restrictions cite voter fraud as the reason.

In Washington, every citizen age 18 or older meeting the legal requirements to vote are encouraged to register and vote. King County Elections does not conduct background checks on voters or question qualifications unless a challenge has been filed.

Be aware of registration and voting deadlines and do not miss your opportunity to vote in our historic Presidential year elections.

Best Regards,

Sherrill Huff

Voter registration deadlines

- **July 9** – Deadline to register by mail or online, or to transfer or update voter registration.
- **July 30** – Deadline to register in-person for people who are not currently registered in Washington.
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Reading the local voters’ pamphlet

Why are there measures and candidates in the local voters’ pamphlet that are not on my ballot?

Don’t worry, your ballot is correct.

The measures and races on your ballot reflect the districts in which you are registered to vote. The local voters’ pamphlet may cover multiple districts and include measures and races outside of your districts.

What is an explanatory statement?

An explanatory statement is prepared by each district’s attorney stating the effect of the ballot measure if passed into law.

How are committees in favor of or in opposition to a measure formed?

Districts choosing to participate in a local voters’ pamphlet are responsible for appointing committee members who agree to write statements.

The statements are a way to persuade voters to vote for or against a measure. King County Elections is not responsible for the content or accuracy of the statements.

What is the order of candidates in the local voters’ pamphlet?

Candidates in the local voters’ pamphlet appear in the order they will appear on the ballot.

Candidates are given word limits based upon the number of registered voters within each district.
About the
Top 2 Primary

Washington uses a “Top 2” system for its primary election. A Top 2 primary allows voters to vote for any candidate running in each race. The two candidates who receive the most votes in the primary election advance to the general election. A candidate must also receive at least 1% of the votes cast in that race to advance to the general election.

The Top 2 primary applies to partisan offices. It does not apply to elections for Precinct Committee Officers. While there are some slight variations, elections for nonpartisan office, such as city council or judge, are conducted in a similar manner to the Top 2 primary. Generally, the two candidates in a nonpartisan race who receive the most votes in the primary advance to the general election.

You may wonder why some offices don’t appear on the primary ballot. When only one or two candidates file for a nonpartisan office, there is no primary and the candidates automatically advance to the general election. For partisan offices and some judicial offices, there is still a primary even if only one or two candidates file.

Learn more about the Top 2 primary at: www.sos.wa.gov/elections

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Mail or in-person:
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Renton, WA 98057

Voter Registration Annex*
King County Administration Building
500 4th Ave., Room 311
Seattle, WA 98104

The Voter Registration Annex is open Monday - Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

*Please note, this location only provides services associated with voter registration.
Register to vote

Requirements
To register to vote in Washington, you must be:
• A citizen of the United States
• A legal resident of Washington State
• At least 18 years old by Election Day
• Not under the authority of the Department of Corrections

How to register
• Register online with the Secretary of State, www.sos.wa.gov
• Download a registration form from the King County Elections website.
• Register in person at the King County Elections office or at the King County Voter Registration Annex.

Registration deadlines
While you may register to vote at any time, there are registration deadlines prior to each election. The deadlines for the August 7, 2012, primary and special election:
• July 9 – Deadline to register to vote or update voter registration information.
• July 30 – In-person registration deadline for people not currently registered in Washington. Register in person at the Elections office in Renton or at the Voter Registration Annex in Seattle.

Keep your voter registration current
Update your registration if you have moved or changed your name, or if your signature has changed. Simply submit a new registration form to update your information.

Visit our Voter Registration Annex

King County Elections offers convenient, in-person service at the downtown Seattle annex for voter registration related matters only.

Services offered:
• Register to vote
• Change or update your address or name.
• Voter notification cards
• Information and assistance about non-traditional residential addresses/homeless voters, and mailing address vs. residential address
• Cancel a voter registration

Services not offered:
• Replacement ballots
• Accept voted ballots
• Accept voter registration challenges
• Signature challenge resolutions
• Accessible voting
• Maps or voter data files
• Candidate filings

For these services contact King County Elections at 206-296-VOTE (8683).

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Returning your ballot

Through the mail
You can vote and return your ballot through the U.S. Postal Service as soon as you receive it.
Ballots must be postmarked by August 7. This requires first class postage.

Ballot drop boxes
Return your ballot without using the U.S. Postal Service or a first class stamp at a ballot drop box. Ballot drop boxes are open 24-hours a day beginning July 19. Ballot drop boxes close on Election Day, August 7, at 8 p.m.

Burien City Hall
400 SW 152nd Street, Burien 98166

Crossroads Shopping Center
South entrance
15600 NE 8th Street, Bellevue 98008

Federal Way City Hall
33325 8th Avenue S, Federal Way 98003

Issaquah City Hall
130 E Sunset Way, Issaquah 98027

King County Elections
919 SW Grady Way, Renton 98057

Lake Forest Park City Hall
17425 Ballinger Way NE, Lake Forest Park 98155

Regional Justice Center
401 4th Avenue N, Kent 98032
Near parking garage entrance

Redmond City Hall
15670 NE 85th Street, Redmond 98052

Tahoma School District Office
25720 Maple Valley-Black Diamond Road SE, Maple Valley 98038

Seattle ballot drop box locations:
Ballard Branch Library
Corner of NW 57th Street and 22nd Avenue NW, Seattle 98107

King County Administration Building
500 4th Avenue, Seattle 98104

Magnuson Park
6344 NE 74th Street, Seattle 98115
Use NE 74th Street entrance
Ballot drop-off vans

For the 2012 primary and general elections, return your ballot without using the U.S. Postal Service or a first class stamp at a ballot drop-off van. Vans will be parked at these locations only on the dates and times listed:

- August 3, 4, and 6 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Election Day, August 7, from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

**Kirkland City Hall**
123 5th Avenue, Kirkland, 98033

**University of Washington Campus**
Red Square, Seattle, 98105

**West Seattle Stadium**
4432 35th Avenue SW, Seattle, 98126

Accessible voting centers

Accessible voting centers are available for voters who need assistance completing their ballot. Trained staff and specialized equipment is available to help voters with disabilities cast a private, independent ballot.

Voters may also return ballots at these locations during their business hours.

**King County Elections**
919 SW Grady Way, Renton 98057

**Bellevue City Hall**
450 110th Avenue NE, Bellevue 98009

**Green River Community College**
Glacier Room, Lindbloom Student Center
12401 SW 320th Street, Auburn 98092

**North Seattle Community College**
College Center Room 1360
9600 College Way N, Seattle 98103

**Seattle Union Station**
401 S. Jackson Street, Seattle 98104

**Hours of operation:**
- Friday, August 3, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- Saturday, August 4, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- Monday, August 6, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- Tuesday, August 7, 7 a.m. - 8 p.m.
### Duties of offices in this election

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<td>US Senator (elected by all voters in Washington)</td>
<td>The Senate has several exclusive powers, including: • consenting to treaties • confirming federal appointments made by the President and • trying federal officials impeached by the House. The Senate and House have equal responsibility for making all laws necessary for the operation of government.</td>
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<td>Governor (elected by all voters in Washington)</td>
<td>• Makes appointments • Reports annually to the Legislature on affairs of the state • Submits a budget recommendation • May veto (reject) legislation passed by the Legislature</td>
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<td>$166,891</td>
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<td>Lieutenant Governor (elected by all voters in Washington)</td>
<td>• Acts as Governor if the Governor is unable to perform the official duties of the office • Presides over the state Senate</td>
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<td>$93,948</td>
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<td>Secretary of State (elected by all voters in Washington)</td>
<td>• Provides elections oversight • Files and verifies initiatives and referenda • Publishes the state voters’ pamphlet • Registers and licenses corporations, limited partnerships, trademarks and charitable organizations • Collects and preserves state historical records</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>$116,950</td>
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<td>State Treasurer (elected by all voters in Washington)</td>
<td>• Manages and disperses all state funds and accounts • Responsible for the safekeeping and interest on all state investments • Accounts for and makes payments of interest and principal on all state bonded indebtedness • Maintains a statewide revenue collection system</td>
<td>4</td>
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<td>State Auditor (elected by all voters in Washington)</td>
<td>• Conducts independent financial, accountability, and performance audits of all Washington state governments. • Conducts investigations of state employee whistleblower assertions about state agencies • Investigates reports of fraud, waste, and abuse</td>
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<td>Attorney General (elected by all voters in Washington)</td>
<td>• Serves as state’s legal counsel • Enforces consumer protection statutes • Provides information on consumer rights and fraudulent business practices</td>
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| Commissioner of Public Lands                       | • Oversees Department of Natural Resources  
• Manages 5 million acres of forest, agricultural, range, tidal, and shore lands of the state. | 4            | $121,618      |
| Superintendent of Public Instruction               | Responsible for the administration of the state kindergarten through twelfth grade education program, including:  
• Certification of teaching personnel  
• Approval and accreditation of programs  
• Apportionment of state and local funds  
• Assistance to school districts’ school improvement areas. | 4            | $121,618      |
| Insurance Commissioner                             | • Regulates insurance companies doing business in Washington  
• Licenses agents and brokers  
• Reviews policies and rates  
• Examines the operations and finances of insurers  
• Handles inquiries and complaints from the public | 4            | $116,950      |
| State Senator                                      | • Confirms appointments made by the governor  
• Enacts or reject legislation affecting public policy in the state  
• Provides for the levy and collection of taxes and other revenue  
• Appropriates funds | 4            | $42,106       |
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• Enacts or reject legislation affecting public policy in the state  
• Provides for the levy and collection of taxes and other revenue  
• Appropriates funds | 2            | $42,106       |
| State Supreme Court                                | The Supreme Court hears appeals and decides on cases from the Court of Appeals and other lower courts. | 6            | $164,221      |
| Court of Appeals, Division No. 1, District No. 1   | Courts of Appeals hear and decide on most of the appeals that come up from the superior courts. | 6            | $156,328      |
| King County Superior Court                         | Superior Courts hear felony criminal cases, civil matters, divorces, juvenile cases, and appeals from lower-level courts. | 4            | $148,832      |
| Precinct Committee Officer (PCO)                   | PCO is a position within each major political party. Washington State has two major political parties: the Democratic Party and the Republican Party. One Democratic PCO and one Republic PCO are selected from each precinct. The role of the PCO is to represent the precinct in political party activities, and to represent the political party in the precinct. | none         | none          |

**Notes:**
- **PCO candidates do not appear in the local voters’ pamphlet.**
Proposition No. 1
Children and Family Services Center Capital Levy

The King County council passed Ordinance No. 17304 concerning a replacement facility for juvenile justice and family law services. This proposition would authorize King County to levy an additional property tax for nine years to fund capital costs to replace the Children and Family Justice Center, which serves the justice needs of children and families. It would authorize King County to levy an additional regular property tax of $0.07 per $1,000 of assessed valuation for collection in 2013. Increases in the following eight years would be subject to the limitations in chapter 84.55 RCW, all as provided in Ordinance No. 17304. Should this proposition be:

- Approved
- Rejected

The complete text of this measure is available beginning on page 97.

Explanatory statement

If approved by voters, Proposition 1 would authorize King County to levy an additional regular property tax to fund the capital costs of replacing and expanding the Children and Family Justice Center located at 12th Avenue and East Alder Street in Seattle. The levy would be authorized for a nine-year period with collection beginning in 2013. In the first year, the levy rate would be equal to or less than seven cents ($0.07) per one thousand dollars ($1,000) of assessed valuation on all taxable property within King County. Annual increases for collection years 2014 through 2021 would be governed by chapter 84.55 RCW, which limits the growth of the levy amount to 1% per year.

The Children and Family Justice Center Replacement Project includes a series of capital projects to design, remodel, construct, and equip facilities for juvenile justice and family law services. Capital projects include replacement of the Alder wing, Alder tower, detention facilities, and associated parking facilities. Levy funds may be used only for capital costs and incidental costs, including those related to the sale, issuance and delivery of bonds. Levy funds may not be used for the costs of maintenance and operations of the facilities.

Statement in favor

Vote YES on Prop 1: YES FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

The Children and Family Justice Center (“CFJC”) is where children and families go in times of crisis: child abuse and neglect; foster care transition; complex custody issues; juvenile offenses and truancy cases. A growing population and economic difficulties mean more kids and families need care and protection, but current facilities are dangerously outdated and failing our children. Brown water flows from drinking fountains, entire sections are unusable, and electrical, plumbing, and HVAC systems are beyond repair. Financial reviews state that replacement—not temporary fixes—is the least expensive long-term solution.

Despite decrepit conditions, our court is leading in innovations for juvenile and family justice. The new CFJC will better serve families and child advocates by co-locating services like medical treatment, counseling, and placement. The new design will improve safety, privacy and dignity. Combining services will save millions in duplicative service providers and offices.

We cannot wait any longer. For less than $25/year for an average household—less than 50¢/week—we can give hope to at risk kids and families. A unanimous County Council, Dow Constantine, the Kent and Auburn Mayors, and Bellevue Reporter agree - vote YES on Prop 1.

Statement submitted by: John McKay, Bobbe J. Bridge, and Estella Ortega

Statement in opposition

Anyone aspiring to become a homeowner should consider whether property taxes now are so high that such ownership is problematic. The King County Council nevertheless believes it needs more, not less, revenue during difficult economic times and this request is its latest salvo in class warfare waged for the benefit of renters and the homeless, demographics relatively unaffected by property tax increases. Again, the Council has declined to propose a sales tax increase, opting instead for the property tax increase it’s confident will pass because homeowners constitute less than half of registered voters. Further, since the Council is indebted to public service unions for the support which re-elects its members, there’s been no action to reassign any governmental service to the private sector where it might be delivered more economically.

Rebuttal of statement in opposition

All nine members of the non-partisan King County Council voted unanimously to send Prop. 1 to the voters. Public Safety and protecting kids are NOT partisan issues. A new building will end wasteful repairs and provide efficient, compassionate service delivery—saving money and lives. Children and families in King County deserve our support. Join with Prosecutor Dan Satterburg, Presiding Judge Richard McDermott, former Justice Bobbe Bridge and many more and VOTE YES for Prop. 1.

Statement submitted by: John H. Shackleford

Rebuttal of statement in favor

Many homeowners already are struggling to meet financial obligations and don’t need another property tax increase but the Council is saying "yes" to public employee unions and "no" to property tax relief. Don’t be fooled: if the Council privatized some services now provided by county government, revenue for capital improvements would be available. If voters continue approving these levies, there’ll be more spending initiatives and more Council demands for additional revenue to fund them.

Statement submitted by: John H. Shackleford
Candidate statements and measure arguments are printed exactly as submitted.

King County Elections does not fact check or correct punctuation, grammar, syntax errors or inaccurate information.

Michael Baumgartner
(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience: Washington State Senator, 2010 – present

Other Professional Experience: Mike was an economic development consultant and former diplomat who advised international and Northwest firms. In 2007 Mike served as an Economics Officer at the US Embassy in Baghdad, earning commendations from General Petraeus and Ambassador Crocker. In 2009 he worked on a State Department-contracted counternarcotics program in Afghanistan, helping farmers grow wheat.


Community Service: Mike served as a Jesuit volunteer in Mozambique in 1999. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus.

Statement: Michael Baumgartner left a successful career in international development to help his country in Iraq and Afghanistan. Then, he challenged and defeated an entrenched incumbent and won election to the State Senate.

As a State Senator, Michael has shown he can work with both parties to find pragmatic solutions, balance budgets, reform government spending and improve education. He sponsored legislation to protect higher education funding and prevent further cutbacks.

Michael has the background, experience, and common sense necessary to be an outstanding U.S. Senator. He is endorsed by Senator Slade Gorton, Attorney General Rob McKenna, Congresswoman Cathy McMorris Rodgers, Secretary of State Sam Reed, and Representative Cary Condotta. More important, Michael is supported by hundreds of Washington small business owners, veterans, and educators. Michael and his wife Eleanor have a young son, Conrad, and are expecting another child this year.

“I love Washington. I was born and raised here, the son of two educators. After studying at WSU and Harvard, my economic development career took me around the world. Washington’s wonderful, natural environment and friendly, innovative people make it the best place in the world.

“Now, America is struggling. In the past 12 years, reckless spending and poorly planned wars have helped double the national debt and millions don’t have jobs. Too many politicians care more about special interests than finding solutions. The US Senate hasn’t passed a budget in more than three years. DC is broken.

“I want to help turn things around, here and overseas. I’ve seen firsthand the progress our troops have made in Afghanistan against amazing odds. Now it’s time to bring them home and concentrate on rebuilding our economy. Our children should inherit a thriving America - not one in debt and decline. I’d be honored to have your vote. We’ve got work to do.”

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United States Senator

Will Baker
(Prefers Reform Party)

Elected Experience: No information submitted
Other Professional Experience: No information submitted
Education: No information submitted

Will’s community service, Will believes the number one issue in the 2012 U.S. Senate election should be the illegal and unethical election practices used by Washington Secretary of State Sam Reed. Fact: Secretary of State Reed is in the business of manipulating State primary elections. How? Fact: One way is to illegally and/or unethically manipulate/rig information available to voters. How? Fact: Reed cancelled the entire 2010 and 2012 printed Washington State Primary Voters’ Pamphlets and continues to hide information about how to appear in some counties local Voters’ Pamphlet from some candidates.

Statement: I believe the number one issue in the 2012 U.S. Senate election should be impeaching President Barack Obama specifically for Obama’s decision to give America’s state of art military spy drone technology to Iran (and through Iran to China and Russia).

The 1979 Iranian Revolution; Fact: America backed the Shah of Iran. Fact: The Shah was a ruthless dictator who murdered his people. Fact: The Iranians revolted against the Shah. Fact: The Iranians hated America for supporting the Shah. Fact: The Iranians took American hostages. Fact: In 1979, President Jimmy Carter ordered a raid to rescue the hostages, but the operation failed when the Delta Force’s helicopter crashed. 9/11 Terrorist Attack

Fact: On September 11, 2001, 19 al-Qaeda members on a suicide mission hijacked four airplanes and flew three of those planes into the world trade center towers and the Pentagon; killing thousands of Americans. Fact: The leader of al-Qaeda was Osama bin Laden. Mr. Commander In Chief

Fact: In November 2008, Obama was elected President and Commander in Chief. Bye-bye Bin Laden Fact: In 2011, Obama ordered the raid that killed Osama bin Laden. Fact: Obama ordered the special operations commander who organized the bin Laden raid to throw in two additional helicopters for backup. (Good decision, since one of the assault helicopters crashed outside bin Laden’s compound.)

Fact: Seal Team Six destroyed the damaged helicopter before leaving Pakistan. Fact: Now, Iran wants a nuclear weapon. Fact: Obama’s administration has been flying stealth spy drones over Iran to monitor Iran’s nuclear program. Fact: One of the drones crashed in Iran. Fact: Obama didn’t send military personnel into Iran to retrieve the drone, and didn’t blow-up the drone by remote before Iran grabbed it. Fact: Now Iran has our stealth spy drone and they are not giving it back.

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Chuck Jackson
(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience: Never elected to public office
Other Professional Experience: Merchant Mariner, been working on ships for over 30 years, Alaska and Washington ferries, tankers hauling crude oil out of Alaska. Container ships to Hawaii and the Far East, Licensed

United State Coast Guard Engineer, work out of the MEBA hall, spent 4 years in the Navy.

Education: University of H.K.; Hawse-piper
Community Service: No information submitted

Statement: The kids and grandkids inheritance $15,700,000,000,000 ($15.7 trillion)DEBT. When the incumbent first went to Washington D.C. the National Debt was $4,188,092,106,183. Over the last 30 years the people of the United States have paid $9,500,000,000,000 (9.5 trillion) interest (usury) on this Debt; last year $454,000,000,000 was spent covering interest. When the Federal Reserve Bank doubles the interest rates, payment will double from $454 Billion to $908 Billion.

We have a serious problem; the postponement of dealing with this over the years has left the United States in a precarious financial situation. I don’t have a SuperPac or millions of dollars; just Voters pamphlets, website and hopefully your involvement, (facebook, twitter, dialog with friends and neighbors) the only possible way to stop this train-wreck.

"As a very important source of strength and security, cherish public credit. One method of preserving it is, to use it as sparingly as possible..." President Washington

Potholes, bridges and other infrastructure could have been repaired had the public credit been cherished instead of squandered.

"I place economy among the first and most important virtues, and public debt as the greatest of dangers to be feared. To preserve our independence, we must not let our rulers load us with perpetual debt. If we run into such debt, we must be taxed in our meat and drink, in our necessities and in our comforts, in our labor and in our amusements. If we can prevent the government from wasting the labor of the people, under the pretense of caring for them, they will be happy," President Jefferson

We, the borrowers, are slaves to the lenders; austerity measures that will be forced on U.S. will pale in comparison to what has been forced on Greece, if this financial mess continues. Information and offered solutions, please visit scaryreality.com

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King County Elections is not authorized to edit statements, nor is it responsible for the contents therein.
Timmy (Doc) Wilson  
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** No information submitted

**Other Professional Experience:** I have been self-employed in Washington for 19 years as a Hairstylist. I owned, and operated Salon Blast for 11 years, and have twice been named as top 100 Salons in America by Elle Magazine. I received most of my training at Vidal Sassoon’s in London

**Education:** Sierra Nevada College, and The University Of Washington.

**Community Services:** Volunteer: The University of Washington Medical Center with Hair loss from cancer. “Bailey-Boushay House” as a hairstylist for people living with AIDS. St James Cathedral Winter Shelter providing a safe overnight environment for homeless men.

**Statement:** I favor 0.5 a tax on Wall Streets financial market transactions. AKA The “Robin Hood Tax.” This would bring in about $350 billion annually to support debt reduction, entitlement services, and jobs training programs.

Scaling back on 900 U.S. Military Bases abroad.

Implement term limits in the House, and Senate.

The late Ted Kennedy said there is no greater vote in the Senate then on War, and Peace. Our nation has lost too many brave boys to battle abroad in Iraq. We continue to spend in Iraq, and our figures are at $803 billion, and growing. Review www.costofwar.com.

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Art Coday  
(Prefers Republican Party)

**Elected Experience:** None

**Other Professional Experience:** Art spent six years in biochemical and heart research. As a medical doctor he does house calls and nursing home care, mainly for Medicare (seniors, permanently disabled), Medicaid (very poor), and uninsured patients.

**Education:** Art graduated from the Lakeside School, the University of Washington (B.S. in Cellular and Molecular Biology; with college honors, magna cum laude), and Harvard Medical School (M.D.).

**Community Service:** Art volunteered at the Seattle Children’s Hospital Summer Camp for six years, working with children with special medical needs. He served on nonprofit boards, including three years for the North Seattle Christian School, as Treasurer and President.

**Statement:** As a doctor, I fight for my patients. As your senator, I will fight for you.

Patient financial hardship and insurance status do not stop me from caring. To accept low reimbursements, I reduced cost by eliminating my office; now I make house calls. Effective healthcare reform is needed, so let’s repeal the healthcare act my opponent supported; it harms Medicare and Medicaid and raises cost. Let’s rebuild Medicare, Medicaid, and the VHA for our seniors, poor, disabled, and veterans. In the private market, let’s demand transparency, fairness, and competition so you’re in charge of affordable care.

Cutting spending, balancing the budget, reducing debt, and ending inflation will repair our national credit and stabilize the economy. As a small business owner, I know that easing regulatory burdens and mandates, enacting favorable trade policies, and lowering energy costs will stimulate the economy. This will restore the catastrophic loss of prosperity and American jobs sustained throughout my opponent’s 12-year tenure.

I will defend your rights, including your right to keep and bear arms, the right to life, and property rights. I support traditional family values. We must maintain the world’s finest military to achieve peace through strength. We must take good care of our veterans and military personnel, and have a foreign policy that’s confidently pro-America and pro-liberty, supports allies like Israel, and is firmly resolved to defeat terrorism. Border security is vital. My opponent won’t challenge her party boss on numerous issues, like transferring nuclear waste from Hanford to Yucca Mountain; I will.

The contrast between the incumbent and me is sharp; the record, not the rhetoric, proves this. I am passionate about America, and with the right leadership, our children will have a bright future.

Thank you for your trust and your vote. Serving you will be an honor.

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Maria Cantwell

(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** U.S. Senate
2001-Present, U.S. House of Representatives
1987-1993

**Other Professional Experience:** Real Networks, Vice President of Marketing & Senior Vice President of the Consumer Products Division 1995-2000

**Education:** B.A. in Public Administration from Miami University

**Community Service:** Henry M. Jackson Foundation, Honorary Council of Advisors; South Snohomish Chamber of Commerce, Former Board Member; Mountlake Terrace Friends of the Library; Alderwood Rotary, Former Board Member; Apollo Alliance, Founding Board Member

**Statement:** Congress is bogged down in partisanship and gridlock. But Senator Maria Cantwell puts politics aside and does what’s right for our state. Maria is focused on job creation and keeping America competitive in the global economy - because she knows too many families are struggling just to get by.

That’s why Maria is working to make sure Washington State remains the hub of America’s aerospace industry. She fought unfair foreign competition to help Boeing win the $35 billion Air Force contract that could mean 11,000 jobs for our state. Now Maria is helping develop apprenticeship and job training programs so we have a skilled workforce for those jobs.

Maria’s fighting to increase Pell Grants and help middle class kids afford college. She co-sponsored a bill giving returning veterans access to a college education. She’s working to give laid-off workers and veterans access to job training at community colleges so they can develop the skills they need for new jobs.

To create opportunities for businesses to hire more workers, Maria voted to cut taxes for small businesses and manufacturers while pushing banks to loan to small businesses that want to grow. Maria recognizes that the federal deficit is a dagger pointed at the heart of our economy, so she’s working to cut wasteful government spending. She is pushing to end tax breaks for companies that ship jobs overseas and instead provide tax incentives for companies that create jobs here. And Maria is working to develop Washington’s new clean energy industry, which will create thousands of jobs across our state.

Maria kept her commitment to protect Social Security and Medicare, fighting attempts by both parties to cut these vital programs.

Senator Maria Cantwell is focused on making life better for our families and for the people of Washington State.

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Glen (Stocky) R. Stockwell

(Prefers Republican Party)

**Elected Experience:** I have served several years on the Ritzville City Council.

**Other Professional Experience:** I have successfully ran million dollar Corporations starting in 1974. Currently I am the President of G.R. Stockwell & Associates Inc. and Washington State Economic Development Corp. NP. Our Corporate mission is to achieve “Final Fast Track Phased Completion of the Columbia Basin Project by 2022”! We have offered to work with President Obama, WA State Congressional Leaders in both party’s.

**Education:** Graduated West Valley HS 1968. I have a Master degrees in the “School of Hard Knocks”, “Barnyard Physiology” and “Surviving Life’s Challenges”!

**Community Service:** Adams County Republican Delegate

**Statement:** Voters of Washington State, it would be my distinct honor to serve You and Our Country again! Our State like every other state is facing very high unemployment, Billion Dollar General Fund Shortfalls, Massive Educational Funding Cutbacks and our State future hangs in the balance!

I have taken “My Project Proposal” to Senator Cantwell for “nearly 3 years”. I believe without doubt I am the only person who has proclaimed “I know how to pay for this Project without any new Taxes and at the lowest Cost Per Acre”! “Aggressive Leadership is Needed Now to Change Our State Future Destiny” followed by immediate action!

“Thousands of Real Washington Jobs” and a “2 Billion Dollar State Construction Project”! What our State needs now is funding! Currently 1.7 Trillion is available in already Allocated for National Economic Development Stimulus Projects! Washington State 2013 Congressional leaders will have a historical opportunity to lead our Nation by completing the “Eighth Wonder of the World”. President Franklin Roosevelt’s “Columbia Basin Project”! This will be the 2nd Largest Construction Project to Washington State in the last 60 years!

Annually “Billions of New Crop Sales” that will be Imported across the Nation and Exported World Wide through our Washington’s ports for centuries to come! All Environmental and Project studies are completed! When elected I will pursue this “Washington State Project Mission” to benefit Washington State’s Economic Future for Centuries! My 1st objective will be to request Washington Congressional members to join me in forming a “Washington State Green Team”. Collectively we will go after the 2 Billion dollars.

Roosevelt’s 1st half has proven to the Nation and the World a new investment of 2 Billion dollars will be “well spent” on Completing this Project and the investment will last for Centuries!

Please Vote for Glen R Stockwell!

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United States Senator

Mike the Mover
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Why we may call you
Don Rivers
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** No information submitted

**Other Professional Experience:** Internationally known speaker on foreign affairs on behalf of the Apostle Clergy Advisory Council. Approved national advisor to elected officials. In 1992 he founded the first small business incubator. Certified by Former Governor Booth Gardner to create the format for the Urban Enterprises Mentorship Organization established to support future growth of small businesses in Washington State. The organization became a major part of the Greater Seattle Chamber of Commerce. Served as Executive Director of Area Business Center for Development & Economics Inc., Founder of Quality Computer Supply and Services, and Rivers-SBYA: Joint Ventures and Inside/Out Training.

**Education:** No information submitted

**Community Service:** No information submitted

**Statement:** Donovan (Don) Rivers is a leader that brings synergy and brilliance to Seattle and neighboring communities in the state of Washington. Donovan Rivers does not wait for anyone’s approval when it comes to empowering people. Donovan’s background of hard work and service in the Seattle community stems from giving people what they want. Donovan Rivers has shifted the paradigm from just taking what is offered in terms of education, economic development and quality of life. He believes there is no quality of life without quality education, economic development. He believes when we on purpose save ourselves; we have everything to gain. Donovan transforms the minds of people to doing things for themselves that will improve the infrastructure of our communities within the state of Washington. He is hailed as a champion on issues related to education, economic development, quality of life by bringing together clergy, community groups, local and state leaders and law enforcement in order to develop sound and practical solutions. For many years, Rivers has worked with the criminal justice system as the top advisor and trainer of officers for police departments in Washington State and nationwide. A Former King County Executive credits Rivers for saving King County taxpayers 2.5 million dollars each year on crime prevention.

Donovan Rivers is honored to represent you and he will always be there to take your needs to Washington DC. He is the clear choice in this election.

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Goodspaceguy
(Prefers Employmentwealth Party)

**Elected Experience:** No information submitted

**Other Professional Experience:** No information submitted

**Education:** Minnesota: Mom and Dad suffered during the Terrible Depression, which wasn’t Great! Working low pay jobs, they bought a tiny house. Washington: Mom built Boeing bombers. Italy: Father fought Nazis. Germany: Father became a military policeman. Mother worked civil service. I attended first grade at Heidelberg University, which years later hosted the American graduation ceremony where I was awarded my Bachelor’s Degree. Sweden: I attended Stockholm University. Minnesota: I earned a University of Minnesota Master’s Degree in accounting with minor in Economics. Investing their pennies over the years, my thrifty parents became millionaires. Let’s build a jobs/wealth national partnership.

**Community Service:** No information submitted

**Statement:** Dear Voters, Please create jobs by defending and promoting wealth. Defend a national Jobs and Wealth partnership. The pursuits of consumption, profits, and wealth are incentives that build a beautiful, proud civilization. Please un-sabotage our labor markets. Squeezed between prices and the minimum wage, some employers quit. The minimum wage destroys jobs and destroys employers. Prices, that we don’t want to go higher, go higher to cover the cost of higher wages. Sales slow. Higher average wages create higher prices, less profit and job loss. Prices must cover wages. But lower average wages create lower prices, more purchasing, and jobs. We move towards a balanced economy of full employment. Consumers buy more when prices go down. Jobs increase. You students of economics should know that Supply and Demand sets different, changing prices for different kinds of labor. You voters who understand economics know that we should abolish the job-destroying, employer-destroying minimum wage so that homeless and other troubled people can get jobs and increase production. As the average cost-of-labor goes up, jobs disappear. Recession returns. Reduce the average cost-of-labor and jobs return. As more workers increase production, the living standard rises. In our exchange economy, we work for each other!

To bring back jobs, vote for candidates who understand economics and profit and are small spenders. Big spenders make government more wasteful. Leaders who don’t understand the Science of Economics have a big hole in their education. Year after year, they destroy jobs.

Space Program: To learn about my thrifty, recycling, orbital space colonization program, visit my second blog at http://colonizeorbitalspace.blogspot.com With the mass-of-money we have already spent, we should already have our beginning, orbital space colonies, but we don’t because our leaders have not been educated in orbital space colonization.

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Scott Sutherland
(Prefers G.O.P. Party)

Elected Experience: None
Other Professional Experience: A Union Member of Retail and Grocery for Over 26 Years.
Education: A Degree in Accounting, and Computer Programming. Self Educated for Over 22 Years in Renewable Energy.

Community Service: none

Statement: I am running for Congress to promote green technology, jobs advance AIDS research and the development of efficient methods of transportation. We need fiscal responsibility.

Geothermal Power We have the technology today to make geothermal energy a practical reality. Energy from the earth can be used to power electrolysis machines that will split water into oxygen and hydrogen. The oxygen can be combined with natural gas to produce an oxy-fuel combustion. This will produce electricity without any harmful waste products. Hydrogen and Carbon Dioxide can be made into methanol and then converted into gasoline. This is both environmentally friendly and frees us from overseas oil. Biomass Energy We produce over 1.2 billion tons of non food biomass each year. This can be converted into over 12 million barrels of fuel daily using environmentally friendly geothermal power.

Run of River Power Hydroelectricity can be produced without harming fish runs. Run of the river power system allow us to generate power without the use of dams. Carbon Dioxide can be taken out of the atmosphere and combined with hydrogen from the water to make methanol and then gasoline. This is carbon neutral and will produce jobs and clean energy.

Energy Efficient Vehicles Steam turbine electric engines technology can be used to build cars that get 54.5 MPG. This technology can also use the exhaust gases of military generators for additional power in Afghanistan to power generators that will use the maximum use of the fuel. This will reduce cost, and save both fuel and lives.

AIDS Vaccine The development and funding of an AIDS vaccine must be a priority. Ultra violet light can be used to kill the AIDS virus take out of white blood cells. The killed AIDS virus can be extracted and used to develop a vaccine.

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Andrew Hughes
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: First time candidate.

Education: J.D., Seattle University School of Law; LL.M in Tax, University of Washington School of Law; M.Sc. in Theory & History of International Relations, London School of Economics; B.A. in International Studies, University of Washington.

Community Service: Represented juvenile defendants, Ronald A. Peterson Law Clinic and The Defenders Association; Volunteer Teacher, Cleveland High School; Researcher and Coordinator, Committee for International Human Rights Inquiry, focused on combating sexual exploitation of children.

Statement: It's said that in Missouri there's a sign at the beginning of a dirt road that tells drivers, "choose your rut carefully, because you're going to be in it for the next 20 miles." Our District has been in the same old rut for too long. It's time to drive out of that rut and finally fulfill the promise of equal opportunity for all. Andrew Hughes knows the problems our community faces are not abstract; they're personal.

Our tax code is unfair. Economic inequality is widespread. Students leave college with massive debt and no hope of employment. Public schools don't guarantee equal education and our laws don't guarantee equality for all. Too many hardworking Americans have put life on hold as they struggle to get by.

As a tax attorney, Andrew Hughes has the expertise to revise our tax code and re-direct money to education, local infrastructure and social programs. Andrew is prepared to serve the people of the 7th District and effectively fight for tax fairness, marriage equality, drug law reform, and our shared progressive values.

Teaching at Cleveland High School, Andrew saw first hand how crucial it is that the federal government help to fully fund public education. Representing juvenile defendants and working with their families, Andrew witnessed the dire need for resources to maintain social programs like school mentoring and community health clinics. Working on our State's efforts to clean up nuclear waste at Hanford, Andrew recognized the importance of building bridges between local and national government.

U.S. Congress is broken and desperately needs new energy, modern ideas, and a renewed sense of urgency to get us out of this rut. It's time to realize the dream of opportunity for all. Vote for Andrew Hughes and help elect a new, effective, and progressive voice to Congress!

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### Congressional District No. 7

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<td><strong>Elected Experience:</strong> Washington State Legislature: House of Representatives &amp; Senate, 43rd District</td>
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<td><strong>Other Professional Experience:</strong> Assistant Clinical Professor, Department of Psychiatry, University of Washington; Chief Psychiatrist, Seattle/King County Jail; Consultant, Washington State Department of Social and Health Services, Juvenile Rehabilitation; Consultant, Washington State Department of Labor and Industries; Member, Public Health Associates of Seattle; Regional Medical Officer, U.S. Foreign Service, Kinshasa, Zaire; U.S. Navy Medical Corps, Lieutenant Commander, Chief Psychiatrist, Long Beach Naval Station, California, 1968-1970</td>
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<td><strong>Education:</strong> B.S., Wheaton College; M.D., University of Illinois Medical School; Residency in Adult Psychiatry, University of Illinois Hospitals; Residency in Child Psychiatry, University of Washington Hospitals</td>
<td><strong>Education:</strong> Hastings College of Law, University of California; Willamette University; Institute of International Education. Worked through college as U.S. Steel union worker and waiting tables.</td>
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<td><strong>Community Service:</strong> No information submitted</td>
<td><strong>Community Service:</strong> Chair, “Law Week in Schools” Statewide, WSBA. Leader, YMCA Guides, Scouts. Board, Civil Society International.</td>
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<td><strong>Statement:</strong> All elections are important, but the choices we make in this year’s contest are crucial for the future of our country. We face daunting challenges in so many areas – and how we respond to them will set our course for many years to come. The turmoil and uncertainty of the last few years has taken a difficult toll on too many Americans. Now we must take bold action to restore the vitality of our country and the promise of our future. Representing Washington’s 7th District in the Congress is a great privilege and a grave responsibility. I ask for your support now to continue that work as a strong and thoughtful voice for progressive change.</td>
<td><strong>Statement:</strong> Excessive Debt, Unemployment, Spending and Taxes hold us down, not help us up. Year after year, we hear talk without real results. Re-electing the same old incumbents won’t fix this. My opponent’s had 24 years to lift these burdens and get Social Security and Medicare securely reformed – instead he’s made them worse and nearly bankrupt. Our national debt is six times higher, to $139,000 /taxpayer. The best education is good and affordable -- instead, student debts soar. The best social program is a job – instead, total unemployment exceeds 20%. The economy and jobs stagnate with over-regulation, waste, and anti-business policies. Spending skyrockets. Massive bills pass unread. Tax system numbingly complex. Had enough yet?</td>
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<td>I am eager to return to the Congress to tackle the momentous issues before us. The landmark health care reform legislation enacted in 2010 must be implemented carefully to fulfill its promise of more and better care for all Americans. We must, finally, provide the ongoing care needed by our soldiers and veterans. Our economy is still stumbling, and millions of Americans remain unemployed. And the current cost of gas underscores our urgent need to recast our energy policies and practices to develop the sustainable energy resources that will allow us to prosper in a changing world.</td>
<td>We need a representative to look beyond extreme partisanship and get results for all of us and common interests, not special interests for few at the cost of many. My political principles are nonpartisan and time-proven: Individual Freedom; Responsible, restrained government; Free Enterprise; and Ethics of Life, Liberty, Fair Treatment for All, and Accountability. I’ll apply a common sense ‘N.E.E.D.’ test for legislation: Is it in our National interest? Efficient in cost? Effective in result? Dated to be measured, amended or ended?</td>
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<td>We can solve these problems with determined effort and clear purpose. I am committed to this effort and to the goals of a strong and productive society: affordable housing; employment opportunity; fair and progressive wages and taxation; reproductive choice; uncompromised civil rights and liberties; and trade policies that respect workers’ rights and protect the environment.</td>
<td>I get results. As a Seattle resident continuously since 1976, business owner, and attorney successfully serving both plaintiff and defendant clients for over 30 years (and winning every jury trial, but one), I’m more in touch with our District, experienced in economic matters, understand different views, and bring a proven record of excellent results, with ‘real world’ skills in problem-solving, fact finding, judgment, and legal knowledge. I pledge to apply these skills, as an independent representative responsible to all of you, to help stop this continuing neglect and get us real results. Please Support! Contact: ronbemisforcongress.com . P.O. Box 45427, Seattle WA 98145.</td>
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Charles Allen
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: None.

Education: Bachelor of Science in Management, 2002, US Air Force Academy; Master of Arts in Organizational Leadership, 2005, Gonzaga University

Community Service: Actively involved in philanthropy.

Statement: Open up your favorite news site in your browser or mobile app and you’re bound to see lots of repetition: Democrats versus Republicans. Pro-choice versus pro-life. Gun control versus no controls. More federal spending versus less. And on and on. You don’t see a lot of news about things actually getting done, or how elected representatives in Congress are managing to solve America’s toughest challenges in one of its most difficult eras.

An April 2012 Gallup poll put Congress’ approval rating at a dismal 17%. Regardless of whether you’re a Democrat, Republican, or Independent, chances are good that you don’t approve of the job that your elected representative is doing. I sure don’t. But year after year we continue to elect a body of so-called leaders who let political ideology stand in the way of achievable progress. Representatives who think that blaming the other side and kicking the can down the road is a sustainable way of managing the mess our country is in.

Every election you have a choice. This year, you can vote for the same person— and continue to worry about how your next social security check is going to be funded, or how you’ll pay your medical bills if you get sick, or how crowded your child’s classroom is going to be or whether or not you’ll be able to afford college.

Or you can vote for me— someone who isn’t content to simply blame Republicans or Democrats for an inability to get things done. A family man who cares about implementing solutions for social issues like healthcare, civil liberties, and education. A business professional who thinks about innovative ways to create jobs and stimulate our economy. And a leader who has the audacity and drive to build and execute a vision to restore America’s promise.

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If you are contacted by King County Elections

Our staff may call you regarding the signature on your ballot. If you receive a call or a mailing from King County Elections, make sure to respond quickly so that your ballot can be counted.

Your signature is as important as your vote. Take your time, vote and sign carefully. And be sure to keep your registration information up to date.

Congressional District No. 9

Adam Smith
(Prefers Democratic Party)


Other Professional Experience: Prosecutor, City of Seattle, 1993-1995; Attorney, Cromwell, Mendoza and Belur.


Community Service: Member, Federal Way Kiwanis Club; Member, Southwest King County Chamber of Commerce; Member, Northeast Tacoma Elementary PTA where my wife, Sara, served as PTA President for 2 years; Member, Meeker Middle School PTA; participant in Tacoma's 1st Annual Dancing with the Stars Competition benefitting the Tacoma Musical Playhouse; past board member of Judson Park Retirement Home; volunteer, Soundview Little League; volunteer, Norpoint Youth Soccer Club.

Statement: I grew up in the city of SeaTac. My father worked as a ramp serviceman, my mother a homemaker. I have lived my entire life in the 9th District. My wife Sara and I are now raising our two children, Kendall, and Jack, in the 9th District where they have attended Tacoma public schools. As a State Senator, Prosecutor, Congressman and member of our community I have followed the values my parents taught--integrity, hard work, personal responsibility and independence.

Creating jobs and growing our economy is my number one priority. Working class families, like the one I grew up in, do not have the same opportunities as previous generations. This must change. We need a fairer tax code, better education and job training opportunities, improved transportation infrastructure, a secure social safety net for our seniors, and a fair plan to reduce our federal deficit. We need to focus on the fundamentals: more Americans back to work, better use of our tax dollars and equal opportunity for all.

I have served on the Armed Services Committee for my entire time in Congress and have always worked hard to make sure that our servicemen, women and their families receive all of the support they need and deserve. I will continue to do so and also believe that it's time for us to bring our troops home from Afghanistan as soon as we responsibly can. We must quickly transition to Afghan control of security.

Right now our country needs leaders who are focused on confronting the challenges we face head on. We cannot waste time on partisan politics and ideological rhetoric. I am focused on finding solutions, working with all members to solve our common problems. It is an honor to serve this district in Congress, and I ask for your vote.

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**Congressional District No. 9**

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**Jim Postma**  
(Prefers Republican Party)

**Elected Experience:** Church Treasurer and Council Member, 2001-2004. President Fort Steilacoom Running Club, 2002.


**Education:** BS Mechanical Engineering, Purdue University, 1956. Alexander Hamilton Business School, 1974.


**Statement:** Governments worldwide, including the United States, are out-of-control assuming too much risk, spending too much money, interfering with our lives, and damaging our economy, jobs, and businesses. These policies will not work for us, but politicians know that they can get elected by offering benefits they cannot pay for. We must repudiate them and return to the constitutional principles that have made this country great. You have a choice to make in this election. You can vote for more government, more poverty, and more control over your lives; or you can vote for freedom, dignity of the individual, and prosperity.

My program will save Social Security and Medicare while providing all the promised benefits; restore sound money, stop inflation which robs the middle class, pay off the national debt, provide full employment and bring back exported jobs and capital. No Bailouts.

We are on our way to becoming self-sufficient in energy. We can produce all the oil and gas that we need and stop importing oil. This has huge economic benefits including jobs. This economy depends on oil for transportation, land, air and sea, industry, and agriculture. We need $2.00 gasoline and diesel fuel again.

Our transportation systems are stagnant and have not improved for fifty years. Our roads are in gridlock but underutilized Progress in air and space has stopped. Our automobiles are magnificent but they go no faster. Our airplanes are stuck at the speed of sound. We went to the moon but have retreated to earth orbit. We can do better.

We need a strong military to protect our nation but do not need undeclared foreign wars which are not in our interest or wartime restrictions on our civil liberties.

Endorsed by: Michael Medved, William H. Harrison LtGen(retired).

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**Tom Cramer**  
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** Parent-Teacher Association Vice-President and School Board Member

**Other Professional Experience:** Successful small business owner, founded organization creating jobs for developmentally disabled, founded organization assisting middle class candidates running for Congress, Assistant to the dean at Claremont University, and Union member.

**Education:** B.A., Quincy University; Master of Education, Vanderbilt University, graduate training in health policy and education policy at University of Illinois, Claremont University, and Vanderbilt University.

**Community Service:** Strong environmentalist who helped manage first successful non-profit recycling program in the country, coached numerous youth sports programs, married to wife of 40 years years, three children educated in Washington state universities, and two grandchildren.

**Statement:** Job one of Congress must be getting America back to work! As a small business owner and teacher, I will work to rebuild our economy by providing good jobs for working families. I will assist the President in more progressive legislation investing in education and training, building a stronger middle class!

We must cut middle class taxes to increase consumer spending and jump start the economy. We must create good paying jobs through investments in education, expanding alternative energy, rebuilding infrastructure and new technologies and have a fair tax code for all American’s and expect the very wealthy to pay a larger share to accomplish the goal of moving America forward in this new century.

Social Security and Medicare must be protected! They have worked for many years! Cuts in Social Security and Medicare would not only hurt seniors , but the middle class, the poor, children and grandchildren. Many people survive on their Social Security, which they paid into approximately forty years! This contract must be honored! We must have health insurance for all Americans!

We will build a strong federal government job base in our new 9th District. I have always supported our troops and their needs. The President and I did not support the Iraq War. We must offer a road to citizenship for all hardworking people, the foundation of our country. We need to be united with our ally Israel and their furtherance of peace. We must view every law through the filter of purpose for all American’s, rich and poor alike , to build a fair and just society. We are the hardest working, brightest , creative people in the world and we must come together to restore and rebuild our communities and our Country! I would be honored to represent our new 9th District.

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Dave Christie  
(Preferes F.D.R. Democrat Party)

**Elected Experience:** No information submitted

**Other Professional Experience:** After being a nonviolent participant in the 1999 WTO protests, I realized the solution to the economic crisis required a competent policy. I encountered LaRouche’s economic theory, and realized the genius of Franklin Roosevelt. Over the years, I have worked with LaRouche on many fronts: Cheney’s impeachment; stopping Bush’s Social Security privatization; ending the wars and police state measures under both Bush and Obama; organizing for Glass-Steagall to stop the bail out of Wall Street. I’m running on a national slate of LaRouche Democrats, to restore the legacy of Franklin Roosevelt and John F. Kennedy.

**Education:** St. John’s University Graduate

**Community Service:** No information submitted

**Statement:** “My politics are short and sweet, like the old woman’s dance. I am in favor of a National Bank, the internal improvements system, and a high protective tariff.” -Abraham Lincoln

Since the death of John F. Kennedy, our nation has gone into an accelerated collapse under the policies collectively known as “globalization”. We have systematically shut down our industrial and manufacturing base, replacing an economy that was based on scientific and technological advancement, with an economy that is now based on financial speculation and looting undeveloped nations. This was not accidental, however. This was intentional.

“Globalization” is simply an extension of the “free trade” imperial policies of the British East India Company. Today’s similar complex of international banks and multinational cartels, seeks to destroy the sovereignty of nations, and dictate living standards to the population. This modern day British Empire enforces their rule through endless wars, police state measures, and “free trade”. These are the policies we have been subjected to under Bush and Obama, both of whom should have been impeached. The global financial system has now disintegrated, and cannot be bailed out on the backs of the people. There is a solution. This is my simple platform:

Glass-Steagall: Restore Franklin Roosevelt’s “Banking Act of 1933”. Separate the Wall Street speculative gambling banks from our commercial banks.

National Banking: The Federal Reserve System is hopelessly bankrupt. We must reestablish Hamilton’s design for sovereign national banking.

NAWAPA XXI: A Kennedy era project that nearly passed Congress in 1964. It will provide 6 million jobs over 30 years, deliver 186 million acre feet of water per year, and generate 42,000 MW of electricity. This will be a part of the development of the Arctic region, which will become our “window to space”, a laboratory to make advances in space exploration.

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John Orlinski  
(Preferes Republican Party)

**Elected Experience:** No information submitted

**Other Professional Experience:** Social Worker with DSHS since 1991; Financial Planner with Metropolitan Life Insurance Company 1989-1991; Assistant Professor, Political Science, Maritime University, Szczecin, Poland, 1982-1984.

**Education:** M.A. in International Studies, University of Washington, Seattle, 1988; M.A. in Business Administration, University of Szczecin, Poland, 1982.

**Community Service:** Board of Directors, Lake Washington Technical College Foundation, 1991-203; Vice-President of the Polish Baseball and Softball Federation, 2004-2010; King County Refugee Planning Committee.

**Statement:** My name is John Orlinski and I am running for office as an independent Republican who is fiscally conservative and moderate on social issues. I am seeking office because I deeply care about our country and its future. In this race, I want to represent the silent majority of people who feel that their voices are not being heard by the bickering extremists on both sides - people whose personal liberties, constitutional rights, and individual freedoms are under attack.

Our government is out of control with bailouts, stimulus packages, and crony-capitalism grants that have caused our budget deficits to balloon and increased our national debt by five trillion dollars over the last three years. We need to reinstate the Glass-Steagall Act and impose other restrictions on the banking system so we can avoid future crises. Audit and oversight of the Federal Reserve System should be implemented.

Our unemployment levels have remained high since the current recession began. We need to do more in this area but the majority of our efforts should be concentrated on increasing private employment levels. We need to show more financial restraints, reduce the size of our government, and make it more efficient. If not done soon, we are going to face dire consequences - inflation and financial ruin.

We need to continue reforming our health care, environmental protection, and welfare systems. I urge more emphasis on technical and vocational education, and making our schools more competitive. We need more efforts made towards ending homelessness, improving mental health and disability services, and reducing abortion and teenage pregnancy rates.

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• Read your entire ballot, front and back, before filling it out.
• Use a black ink pen.

• Remove and recycle the stub at the top of the ballot.

• Sign and date the declaration on the back of the return envelope.

• Return your ballot through the mail (using a first class stamp) or at a ballot drop box.

⚠️ Make sure to return your ballot by August 7, the Election Day deadline.
Governor

Rob Hill

(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** This is my first time running for elective office.

**Other Professional Experience:** I own and operate commercial real estate properties in Washington and Alaska.

**Education:** Washington State University, BA in Economics.

**Community Service:** Volunteer coach.

**Statement:** I’m running for Governor on a single platform: I want to raise the tax on a pack of cigarettes by $10.00 per pack. $5.00 will be added in 2015 and $5.00 in 2016.

The tax increase will reduce current consumption and stop kids from starting.

All of the new tax revenues will go a dedicated tobacco education and prevention fund.

It is time, please help me beat the tobacco companies and stop this deadly product.

Thank you!

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Rob McKenna

(Prefers Republican Party)

**Elected Experience:** King County Council; Washington State Attorney General

**Other Professional Experience:** Perkins Coie law firm, 1988-1996

**Education:** University of Washington, Economics B.A. and International Studies B.A.; University of Chicago, law degree


**Statement:** Son of a teacher and a soldier, Rob McKenna learned the value of public service from his parents, and wants to continue serving Washington’s people as Governor. He will take our state in a New Direction, promoting excellence in public schools, helping innovative businesses create jobs and reforming state government.

Rob graduated from Sammamish High and the UW. Marilyn and Rob are the parents of four children who have attended public school, and their passion for education led him to serve as president of the Bellevue Schools Foundation and Bellevue College Foundation. Rob’s education platform is simple - put students first, fully fund our schools and stop cutting our colleges and universities.

Rob knows the private sector creates jobs, not government. He traveled across Washington learning from small business owners about our state’s burdensome tax system and redundant regulations. His New Direction plan cuts government red tape, provides small business tax relief and reduces health care costs by giving employees greater control over their health spending.

McKenna has been a leader as Washington’s Attorney General, reducing staff while increasing productivity. He made the office a national model for protecting consumers from mortgage fraud and identity theft, earning his peers’ bipartisan “Outstanding Attorney General” award.

McKenna grew up in a military family. Living around the world gave him a great appreciation for different backgrounds and viewpoints. Rob used that experience to build bipartisan support for laws fighting prescription drug abuse, domestic violence and to crack down on sex offenders.

Washington faces tough budget challenges that threaten public schools and higher education, the social safety net and our economic future. Rob McKenna is an experienced leader who works across party lines to solve problems. For great public schools, government reform and more private sector job creation, please vote Rob McKenna for Governor.

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Governor

James White
(Prefers Independent Party)

**Elected Experience:** Elected Treasurer for The Moose Lodge

**Other Professional Experience:** worked internships with the Department of Corrections and the Washington State Patrol Crime Lab, worked for the Department of Corrections as a corrections officer, 15yrs Boeing, 15 years as a child advocate.

**Education:** Criminal Justice Degree

**Community Service:** No information submitted

**Statement:**

James White was born in Seattle and grew up around the Seattle area. James spent his summers in the Yakima Valley working in the fields James was taught strong work ethics from a very young age, advocates for Children and Families, someone who will stand and defend your Constitutional Rights. I believe it is time to put our focus back on Education, Affordable Health Care, alternative energy and ways to bring new jobs at the same time work to keep jobs here. It is 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.

It is time to take action.

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.

Families are the cornerstone of the strength of this country. 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.

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Jay Inslee
(Prefers Democratic Party)


**Other Professional Experience:** Attorney, author of Apollo’s Fire: Igniting America’s Clean Energy Economy.

**Education:** Ingraham High School, Seattle, WA; graduated from the University of Washington with a B.A. in economics in 1972; graduated Magna Cum Laude from Willamette University Law School in 1976.

**Community Service:** Charter member of Hoopaholics to raise money for Childhaven; coached youth sports; served as an honorary board member of the Washington Wildlife and Recreation Coalition.

**Statement:** My mission as governor is this - to create a stronger and growing economy for Washington. We invent, we create, and we build. It was our innovations that led the revolution in aerospace, then software. Today we are on the cusp of new revolutions in health sciences and clean energy technology. This is our moment to grow our economy and create jobs. We need to seize it.

Having lived, worked, and represented both sides of the Cascades, I understand how our economy works. Making Washington a hub for clean energy will launch small businesses across the state, allowing wind and biofuels from the east to power skyscrapers in the west.

To build this stronger economy and ensure every child has an opportunity for a successful future, we must adopt a no-excuses approach to education. I’ll implement proven reforms that produce more innovative schools and insist on high quality teachers in every classroom. We will prioritize our investments in: early childhood education; science, technology, engineering and math (STEM); and make college more accessible and affordable. No excuses.

I will bring this forward-thinking to our state by implementing lean management techniques to improve government services and efficiency and deliver health care at lower cost. In order to create change we need a leader who is willing to buck the status quo. I am one of the few who voted against the bank bailout and the deregulation of Wall Street.

We need a leader who is willing to protect senior citizens’ health care and pensions. I am the only candidate in this race who will stand up to protect a woman’s right to choose, which is why I’ve been endorsed by Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest.

We can build a working Washington. I would be honored to have your vote.

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Christian Joubert
(States No Party Preference)

Elected Experience: Yes.
Other Professional Experience: Journalist in Israel, taught social science, oenology, law (Europe, Seattle, Gonzaga Law school, where I established the school’s international human rights law section). Worked in organic agriculture, directed a holistic health retreat center. Litigated constitutional, products liability, medical and legal malpractice actions.

Education: French rural schools, Assumption Prep., Boston College (theater, sociology), University Massachusetts (political science), journalism (Bordeaux), international relations (Jerusalem), political sociology, mainstream medicine, Chinese medicine, nutrition (Paris), naturopathy, Law (Europe).

Community Service: Legal and educational contributions to encourage industrial tobacco, allopathic modern medicine, the legal profession and the State to revert to a holistic approach to business.

Statement: As I showed during the 2008 gubernatorial run, thanks to which my Action Plan was embraced as the third political force of the State, (http://www.christianjoubert2008.com) our Republic is broken. The two party system can not meet most of our basic needs. Our health, resources, jobs are too often un-necessarily sacrificed on the altar of predatory economics and shortsighted ideology.

To meet these challenges, I respectfully propose a few policies, many of which would be implemented via executive orders, given the urgency.

The first priority is hinged on a pro-active holistic health-care system in association with health freedoms advocacy which will bestow upon each Washingtonian the best wellbeing conditions. Next focus, a sustainable economy via affordable housing, clean energy “breakthroughs”, the billion dollars wellness and hemp (textile, paper, building, fuel, medicine, food) industries, with the more traditional software, aerospace, agriculture and maritime trade.

The reduction of the legal work week to 35 hours and retirement at 60 (to provide jobs for our youth and save on health costs), sustainable living wages pegged on inflation, tax breaks for progressive corporations and tax incentives to dissuade corporations from delocalizing production overseas is desirable.

Visionary leadership is needed to implement equal access to affordable and relevant education, art and civil justice, the restructuring of our dysfunctional legal system and public financing of electoral campaigns.

This “Holistic Governorship” Plan would be financed via taxes against what destroys health and resources, including on financial speculation. Less “Government” and more tax relief in the “real” working economy with massive funds from our innovative industries, including from the Great State of Responsibility and its Holistic Health Civic Center, would contribute to reduce by half within four years the State’s debts and diseases while simultaneously ensuring equal access to health, prosperity, education, security and justice.

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Shahram Hadian
(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience: Proud to have no political experience- we need servant leaders, not career politicians.
Other Professional Experience: Hadian, founder of the Truth In Love Project, has real world experience serving his community as a Christian pastor, police officer, teacher, coach, and small business owner.


Community Service: Committed servant leader in the community: former neighborhood association president/board member, Young Life leader, led overseas humanitarian missions trips, YWCA shelter volunteer, and leader in the fight to pass new laws in Snohomish County, toughening lewd behavior laws and combating prostitution.

Statement: Hadian’s campaign is centered on the need for “courageous leadership” to tackle the root issues of our moral, economic, and national security crisis, place principles before party politics, stand up and fight against political correctness, and clean house in our government and demand Constitutional integrity.

Shahram experienced a transformational life change 13 years ago when he committed his life to Jesus Christ. He immediately faced persecution and disapproval from his family. According to Islam, his conversion means he is an “apostate” and deserves death as a former muslim. In spite of this opposition, Shahram persevered and has been a Christian pastor for 10 years.

Hadian boldly addresses root issues such as: tackling the power of public sector unions and working to become a right-to-work state, deregulating our job creators- small businesses, gutting the Department of Ecology and its strangling regulations, confronting the $1.5 billion/year impact of illegal immigration, and becoming energy independent by supporting renewable hydroelectricity.

Hadian proudly stands for the sanctity of life and marriage (one man, one woman). He believes we must restore control of education to the local level, protect parental rights, and say “No” to federal “Race to the Top” education standards. To protect our state’s 10th Amendment rights, Hadian will fight against unconstitutional UN Agenda 21 and its devastating effects on property rights, oppose Obamacare and work to solve healthcare at the state level through common sense competitive solutions.

“We are One Nation Under God. We say ‘God Bless America’, but it is time that America blesses God and welcomes Him back into our nation. I am committed to lead Washington as a statesman, not a politician. Together, we can bring Courageous Leadership to Washington State!” - Shahram Hadian

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L. Dale Sorgen  
(Prefers Independent Party)  

**Elected Experience:** I have no experience collecting a government paycheck.  

**Other Professional Experience:** Computer Programmer, Pastor & Church Planter, Sultan Food Bank Treasurer, Homeowner’s Association President & Treasurer, Small Business Entrepreneur.  

**Education:** Graduate of Lee Academy, Clarksdale, MS, 1986. Bachelor of Business Administration, Delta State University, 1990. Master of Divinity, Mid-America Theological Seminary, 1999.  

**Community Service:** Food Bank Volunteer, Science Curriculum committee, Boys and Girls Club youth volleyball coach, Sultan Youth Basketball (SYB) coach, Sultan Youth football coach, School and PTA Volunteer.  

**Statement:** There are two unfortunate, but prevailing, truths in our current political environment.  

First, the two ruling political parties have been in control of us for a very long time and it appears evident that their fight is no longer for us, the hardworking, tax paying people, but, instead, their fight is only to get, and keep, control and defeat the other political side. Their rule has been characterized by divisiveness and loyalty to party (partisanship), not the people.  

The second great truth is that the influence of money has so corrupted our political process that our elections now have the appearance of being purchased by the highest bidder, while the concerns of most hardworking, tax paying, people go unnoticed.  

At The Imagine Liberty Campaign I am running as an independent candidate, not affiliated with any party, and we are not asking for or accepting donations because government should represent all people, not just those individuals and groups who are buying influence.  

On our website you can find the answers to the questions that motivate our campaign. The cause of liberty is great because it entrusts people to make their own decisions about how they choose to live their life and it diminishes the power by which some try to use government to enforce their expectations and wants upon others. The cause of liberty is great because it takes control away from the parties and the powerful and gives control back to the people.  

We will be told again this year, as always, that this year’s election is too important to “waste our vote.” I suggest, however, that the most powerful vote you could cast, this year, would be to break the cycle of control and have The Courage to Think Independent.  

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Max Sampson  
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**Elected Experience:** No information submitted  

**Other Professional Experience:** No information submitted  

**Education:** No information submitted  

**Community Service:** church, community  

**Statement:** Freedom! How much does it cost? With the high price of gas, food, shelter, heat and electricity. With taxes on the rise where will it all end. Our way of life is changing for the worse. We cannot take anything for granted, not even going to the store. Choosing between food and gas is disheartening. Common sense is a thing of the past along with moral values. What is the truth about our government and how can we change it. Lies, waste and fear is on the daily news. Excessive use of force about police in this state is what we hear all to often. We are becoming a military state under fear from our own government. How sad! When will our government completely fail, not if it will fail. We the people are fed up with government not doing right by us. I am part of the 99 percent. I have worked hard at foundries for 7 years and aerospace for 25 years. I have learned that when times are hard, (Work hard) and when times are good (Work harder). You don’t know how times will be good again. Buying extra is a thing of the past. Just having enough is a challenge. Rich are getting richer and the middle class is the next poor. What about our children will they own a house? I feel I can change this with your help. Government needs debt counseling and restructuring. Stop wasting your money on special interests and lavish needs. I am hard working, mechanically inclined and humbled for your vote. I am the strongest candidate because of my faith and commitment. God and Jesus and commonsense are my rock. Elect me to be your champion and get you back in charge. Thank You  

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Javier O. Lopez
(Prefers Republican Party)

**Elected Experience:** Community Action Committee

**Other Professional Experience:** Pomona Art Center, Pomona CA

**Education:** Art, Political Science, Public Administration, Law

**Community Service:** Food Bank, community Garden

**Statement:** My name is Javier O. Lopez, and I believe that all humans are good by nature. It takes a lot of hard work to turn bad. Here in Washington we must find good people to govern, we need to fulfill our destiny of justice and equality. I believe the time has come to speak of kindness and love. Those who speak of despair are practitioners of hate. They should keep away from our highways, from our homes, from us. We need to recognize that all humans can be of service, but don’t let them become rulers of our state because they will make you suffer; they will make your children and grandchildren debtors of their deeds.

Dear friends, dear Washingtonians keep commonsense, guard it with your life make sure you use it in this election for it may be the most important election of your life.

As for me I only regret having one life to give to my country and it has already been given to the people. The road to the heart is faith and good works, riches can be stolen, but the riches of the heart will be yours forever and ever and keep in mind that double standards are the only tools they have and their deceit is without comfort, faith or value.

If there is righteousness in the heart there will be strength in the character. If there is beauty there is harmony in the home. There will be order in the nation and there will be peace in the world, but only if people stop taking advantage of you.

For example your present governor has given herself a raise while the nation is facing bankruptcy.

Vote for Javier O. Lopez and I will give my salary back to the taxpayers.

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Lieutenant Governor

Glenn Anderson
(Prefers Indep Republican Party)


Other Professional Experience: Executive Management Consultant; Over 30 years experience in business finance and marketing assisting small and mid-sized employers create jobs.

Education: B. A. Economics University of Alabama; Core: International trade economics and community development with a minor in political science.

Community Service: During his public service Glenn has strongly emphasized constituent service and helped hundreds of individuals be more effective in being heard in state government.

Statement: All of us know that our nation and state face very big challenges and uncertainty. The simple truth is we all know that it will require direction and real work to re-energize our future. Glenn has a strong proven legislative record of standing up to organized special interests of both the left and the right and being a successful bipartisan leader to get things done. The Lieutenant Governor serves as the president of our state senate, Glenn will assure it acts in a civil manner and serves your priorities.

Glenn's action priorities will provide common sense results; 1) aggressively encourage the creation of new, family-wage, private sector jobs, 2) assure that our K12 schools, colleges and universities are adequately funded and held accountable for results, 3) our social services safety net provides a hand up to opportunity and achievement, not dependency on government and 4) state government must live within the taxpayers' means to provide essential services.

"I will only seek two terms if elected. It's time to act. If you believe that we all can do better to create a realistic, prosperous, secure and fair future for ourselves and our children, then I ask for your vote." Glenn Anderson

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Brad Owen
(Prefers Democrat Party)

Elected Experience: Brad Owen was elected as Washington State’s 15th lieutenant governor in 1996 and re-elected since. Prior to his election as lieutenant governor, Owen served as Shelton finance commissioner from 1976-1979, as a member of the Washington State House of Representatives from 1976 - 1983, and in the Washington State Senate from 1983 - 1996.

Other Professional Experience: No information submitted

Education: No information submitted

Community Service: Brad Owen is the chair of Washington State Mentors, as well as chair of the Legislative Committee on Economic Development and International Relations. He serves on the advisory board for the Drug Free America Foundation.

Statement: Brad Owen is a leader we can trust! Supported by democrats, republicans, business owners and labor leaders; he is known for being bipartisan and working with all members of the Washington State Senate! In these tough times, we need an experienced leader who knows how to get things done.

Elected as Washington State’s fifteenth lieutenant governor, Brad Owens’ top priority is to stimulate our economy and help create family wage jobs. He has traveled the world building economic alliances with friendly nations and wants to continue his work in helping Washington State businesses increase their share of the world markets. More than any other state, Washington depends on international trade and needs leaders who can market our products throughout the world.

Brad Owen is dedicated to making Washington a state for healthy kids and safe communities. He has made substance abuse prevention, anti bullying and child welfare as one of his top priorities in office. For the last two decades he traveled throughout the state with a musical, multi media program to deliver positive messages about substance abuse and bullying awareness to youth and for years has been chair of Washington State Mentors.

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Lieutenant Governor

James Robert Deal
(States No Party Preference)

**Elected Experience:** Precinct committee person while in law school. No previous ambition for higher office.

**Other Professional Experience:** Attorney since 1978, helping clients modify their mortgages and doing environmental law on a pro bono basis as president of www.Fluoride-Class-Action.com.

**Education:** Western Washington University, B.A., M.Ed.; Anglican Theological College at UBC; University of Washington, J.D.

**Community Service:** A leader in the safe water movement. Health educator and author of a foodways book on nutrition, health, and the history of diet.

**Statement:** Many water districts add an industrial grade of fluoride to drinking water – fluorosilicic acid. It contains lead and arsenic and leaches large amounts of lead from pipes. The body excretes these chemicals poorly; they accumulate lifetime. They are most harmful to fetuses and infants (reducing IQ), diabetics, those with arthritis and thyroid, kidney, and heart disease. Blacks and Hispanics are impacted more than Whites. Chemical companies earn a half billion dollar per year selling us this filth. This racket must end.

Other Priorities: We are decapitalizing Washington, letting schools and infrastructure decline. Only the rich can pay more, and they should. We need a tax on high incomes and large capital gains. Washington should increase its minimum wage. Anything which can be grown organically should be grown organically. GMO crops should be outlawed and GMO foods labeled. Washington needs a master transportation plan and can do more to reduce carbon emissions. We need stronger campaign finance laws. Schools should have large, year-round gardens and serve more vegetables and less sugar and fat.

I run to raise issues others avoid. I will hold preconstitutional conventions around the state to study needed structural changes.

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Bill Finkbeiner
(Prefers Republican Party)

**Elected Experience:** Fourteen years in the State Legislature, including a term as Senate Majority Leader.

**Other Professional Experience:** Business owner, investing in sustainable real estate. Worked for five years at Microsoft (contractor 1995 - 2000) and helped start Washington’s first online high school.

**Education:** M.B.A. University of Washington, B.A. Whitman College, Lake Washington High School.

**Community Service:** Bill and his wife Kristin are active in their community and their children’s lives. Over the years, along with serving on boards of 4Culture, Kirkland Boys and Girls Club, and Cascade Land Conservancy, Bill has also coached his daughter’s soccer team and helped his son’s lacrosse club build new sports fields.

**Statement:** Bill Finkbeiner knows the gridlock and partisan bickering in our State’s Capitol is unacceptable. As the Lieutenant Governor, Bill Finkbeiner will work with both political parties to encourage a more cooperative, less partisan, and less lobbyist-influenced government.

Bill Finkbeiner has the experience to succeed. He served 14 years in the Legislature, including a term as Senate Majority Leader, before returning to private business. Now, he’s bringing his business and political experience forward to push change through the marbled halls of the Capitol.

Some of the reforms are simple, like getting rid of the aisle that separates Republicans and Democrats on the floor of the Senate. Other changes – reducing the number of partisan staff and limiting the influence of lobbyists – are more complicated; but all will make Olympia more open to citizens and less beholden to special interests.

Bill Finkbeiner has won support from both Democrats and Republicans. His endorsements include: Rob McKenna, Cathy McMorris Rodgers, Dino Rossi, Slade Gorton, Sam Reed, Washington Conservation Voters, NARAL, Michael Heavey and Larry Springer. Bill is a lifelong Washington resident. He and his wife Kristin (co-founder of MomsRising) and their two children live in Kirkland.

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### Lieutenant Governor

#### Dave T. Sumner, IV
(Prefers Neopopulist Party)

**Elected Experience:** No information submitted

**Other Professional Experience:** Constitutional and international law aficionado and currently active lobbyist. Former union journeyman commercial carpenter and electro-goth and rap recording artist. Also re-founder of the neo (New) populist party and founder of The Haunted Church and former U.S. army cook.

**Education:** Graduate of Benson Polytechnic High School (PDX-Oregon) and P.C.C. Real Estate.

**Community Service:** No information submitted

**Statement:** I Dave Sumner am lobbying and fighting for the constitutional rights and for the working class and impoverished’s wishes to be enacted and upheld by the courts. As the front runner of the neopopulist party I am reversing the communistic trend in the Washington state government which is ever-increasingly usurping our rights and freedoms. I am getting the Washington state government back to working for we the people, not corporations.

I am also battling the policies that are eroding the middle class which has only led to more inequality. I firmly stand against the governments unwise use of technology by computer databases and tracking people and sharing this info with many other agencies. I am also working hard on filling in the cracks in the system so no more citizens will fall through the cracks. Basically I am eradicating the many double standards in this great country the U.S.A.

My vision of the new world order is to fulfill the federal constitution and the declaration of independence’s mission of all of us getting along together (without losing our personal and ethnical identities) and being treated like valuable human beings, not just another number or pawn of the corporations.

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#### Mark Greene
(Prefers Democracy Indep. Party)

**Elected Experience:** Like some of the most renowned and respected American political leaders upon taking office, none, but I was the Democratic nominee for U.S. Congress (Alaska District) in 2000 and 2002. I am the founder of the political organization the Party of Commons (since 2006).

**Other Professional Experience:** Legal Assistant experience, including free-lance businesses such as legal research in Minnesota during 1990’s. USMC veteran; 1970’s.

**Education:** Inver Hills College, Inver Grove Heights, MN, A.A.S. Degree received in 1990’s.

**Community Service:** Founder of Democracy in Election Process, an organization that helps citizens with voter registration, civic affairs, and legal forms (since 2004, originally Commoner Committee for Political Affairs).

**Statement:** I’m endorsing Darcy Burner for Congress (1st CD), because she will protect Social Security and other basic anti-poverty programs, be at least moderately anti-interventionist in her foreign policy outlook, uphold the Constitution, and show independence, i.e., not letting party bosses dictate to her.

**The Common Man’s Candidate for Lieutenant Governor:** I had to get on the ballot by petition, because I don’t get funds from parties, special interest groups, or from Establishment-types. After all, they realize that I am very sincere in representing the common person’s interests, not theirs. I’m a real democrat, though independent, not a fake.

The environment is of fundamental importance as everything from the economy to morality relates to it. We shouldn’t fool with Mother Nature recklessly, if at all, but since the government has done so, we have to rectify the wrongs through everything from mandating labeling of GMO food to phasing out nuclear energy.

Our state and national constitutions together are the firewall between democracy and totalitarianism, as democracy, after all, is the respect of differences of opinion that we have with one another, and shown by certain essential functions such as voting. It’s a politician’s solemn duty to uphold our constitutions.

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Jim Kastama
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: State Senator (2001-Current), State Representative (1997-2001), Legislator of the Year: Association of County Auditors, Disabled American Veterans Department of Washington, and Washington Student Association


Education: Puyallup High School, 1978; Claremont McKenna College; University of California, Berkeley, BA 1983

Community Service: PNWER Innovation Working Group Co-Chair, Washington First Robotics Board, Nordic Heritage Museum Board, Volunteer National Ski Patrol, Communities in Schools, VISTA Volunteer

Statement: In 1983, I left my hometown of Puyallup with $200 and attempted to bicycle around the world. I arrived in Israel the day 241 Americans were killed in the Marine barracks bombing. Along the way I painted boats and netted fish, often beside citizens engulfed in conflict. I returned home to start a family and private sector career, but my gratefulness inspired me to public service. In the legislature I have earned a reputation of independence. I rewrote state law after the contested 2004 election to hold county auditors accountable, purge ineligible voters and make overseas military voting easier. I spearheaded creation of the Economic Development Commission and the virtual university WGU Washington. This year, I withstood partisan pressure and forced the most bipartisan budget agreement in recent history. My vision is to inspire performance excellence throughout government to improve the lives of people. As Secretary, my office will serve as a management model to strengthen public confidence in elections and set a tone of non-partisan cooperation. I will fulfill the legacy of this position as statewide advocate for trade and economic development to expand exports and recruit companies.

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(States No Party Preference)

Elected Experience: No information submitted

Other Professional Experience: Lobbyist for student financial aid, Legislative Assistant, Campaign Manager for the Grange initiative that created the Top 2 Primary system. I helped build five dot-coms as a photo editor, music critic, selling ads and performing computer maintenance.

Education: Graduate from Curtis High School in University Place 1986 and Whitman College in Walla Walla 1990.

Community Service: Sponsor of Referendum 70 to protect our state’s power in Presidential Elections. Submitted business plans to save the 2012 Presidential Primary. Author of the “We Plan” a Constitutional statewide redistricting plan based on population and geography with no favoritism for political parties or special interests.

Statement: As The People’s Secretary of State- I will guide our state’s elections, economy and culture toward a more sustainable, citizen-based, self-determined society. I will defend our Top 2 primary keeping it intact no matter how many times the parties sue. I will champion more competitive elections, new tools to make government more responsive, better channels for transparency and protection of your privacy. It takes constant vigilance to keep the voters in control of our government. Only a nonpartisan, strictly committed to voters can battle the political parties and corporations that collude to own us. I will defend rule of law as purposed by voters.

I will plan the 2016 Presidential Primary and debates to maximize our state’s power in presidential elections.

To rebuild our economy, my business plan, WA 2.0: The Emergent State will use the power of networking to energize our commerce by better integrating businesses into our communities. This plan will also strengthen your power in government and celebrate our culture.

Only a People’s Secretary of State can protect the authentic voice, economy and culture of the great State of Washington. Please vote for me and together we’ll build a brighter future.

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Sam Wright
(Prefers The Human Rights Party)

Elected Experience: None.

Other Professional Experience: The candidate has been a scientist for half a century, specializing in fish population management and fish habitat management.

Education: B.S degree in Wildlife Management from Humboldt State University.

Community Service: The candidate established The Human Rights Party in January. For detailed information on the Principles, click-on Notes on Principles on the website.

Statement: The Secretary of State is an important position that needs the services of a competent administrator. Work experience of the candidate includes a total of eleven years (three positions) as an administrator in Washington State government.

Principles for The Human Rights Party are stated on the website www.thehumanrightsparty.org

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Karen Murray
(Prefers Constitution Party)

Elected Experience: None

Other Professional Experience: Communications Director, Constitution Party of Washington; National Communications Coordinator, Constitution Party; Washington State Third Party Coalition member; Washington Free and Equal State Caucus Leader

Education: BA in Statesmanship, George Wythe University, 2010.


Statement: Washington is a state of many voices. From the various tribes of the First Nations, to the pioneers, to the immigrants from nearly every country on planet Earth, Washington is culturally, ethically, and politically diverse. Yet this diversity is not fully reflected in our election system, nor is our system as secure as it could be. My proposals are to eliminate the primary, to eliminate any definition of major or minor party by the state, to have ballot access rule applicable to all parties and independents equally, to have each candidate representing a party be the endorsed candidate of that party, to institute Voter ID, to end Mail-in Voting and return to precinct ballots with absentee ballots and provisional ballots available, and to prevent the implementation of E-voting. These steps will put Washington in the forefront of safe, secure, equal and open elections where Washingtonians of all political persuasions will be assured that their vote carry the same weight as all other votes and is handled in a manner that protects their vote from hacking, loss or damage, and fraud.

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**State of Washington**

**Secretary of State**

**Kathleen Drew**

(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** State Senator (1993-1997)

**Other Professional Experience:** Known as a professional manager, Kathleen has advised the Governor on sustainability and streamlining government, authored the State’s Ethics in Public Service Law and helped build the University of Washington Bothell campus into the largest branch campus in the state.

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

**Community Service:** As a volunteer, Kathleen raised funds to build transitional homes for foster youth, led a citizen’s effort to identify schools capacity for a growing Issaquah School District, and as a member of Kiwanis, started an organic vegetable garden for the Thurston County Food Bank.

**Statement:** ‘Impartial’, ‘Fair’. Washingtonians want those qualities in their Secretary of State. And those are the qualities I have shown throughout my life. I’m not a career politician; I’m an experienced, effective manager, committed to fair elections and increased voter participation. I authored our Ethics in Public Service law and served on the Commission on Government Ethics and Campaign Finance Reform. As Secretary of State, I will increase dropbox locations, push for same-day voter registration, and oppose efforts to suppress voting. I’ll also streamline registration services for corporations, charities and non-profits.

I strongly oppose the Citizens United decision and support repeal. I’ll work to increase transparency in the initiative process.

In 1992 I became the youngest woman ever elected to the State Senate. I never imagined that 20 years later women’s basic rights would still be under attack and the number of elected pro-choice women in office would decline. My management background, statewide experience and commitment to fair, open elections prepare me to be the first Democratic woman Secretary of State in over 50 years.


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**Kim Wyman**

(Prefers Republican Party)

**Elected Experience:** Serving a fourth term as Thurston County Auditor, conducting voter registration, administering elections, preserving historic records, providing financial, accounting, licensing and title services.

**Other Professional Experience:** Ten years as Thurston County Elections Manager, Assistant Records Manager, and 18 months as a U.S Army Civilian Training and Development Specialist.

**Education:** Bachelor of Arts, California State University, Long Beach; Master of Public Administration, Troy State University; Certified Elections Registration Administrator, Auburn University, Election Center; and Washington State Certified Election Administrator.

**Community Service:** Lacey Rotary Club, Timberline High School Interact, TwinStar Credit Union Supervisory Committee, United Way of Thurston County, Women’s Leadership Council, and Miss Thurston County Scholarship Program.

**Statement:** We expect the Secretary of State to ensure honest elections and uphold citizen confidence in the accuracy of counts, security of ballots, and voter accessibility. Meeting these expectations requires experience and proven, unbiased stewardship of our elections and public records.

Kim Wyman is an elections expert and leader. As a four-term County Auditor, Kim leads a nationally recognized, award winning office. She streamlined the ballot counting process – saving taxpayer dollars, led the way for email ballot delivery that improved military and overseas voter access, preserved important historic documents, and increased your access to public records.

Her collaborative leadership style has earned Kim a range of endorsements from the Washington Education Association to Republican, Democratic, and nonpartisan leaders, including 44 former and current county auditors. When elected Secretary of State, Kim will use her experience to modernize elections with accuracy and efficiency improvements, make archived documents and historical artifacts more accessible, and make it easier to start and manage small businesses.

“One election, we didn’t get ballots while serving overseas. This experience convinced me to dedicate 19 years to protecting voters and ensuring accurate elections. With your support, I will continue this work as Secretary of State.” - Kim Wyman

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State of Washington

Secretary of State

Greg Nickels
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: Mayor of Seattle (2002-2009), King County Council (1987-2001)


Education: Attended University of Washington

Community Service: Serves on the Boards of Trustees for Seattle based non-profits History Link, Transportation Choices Coalition, the Cascade Land Conservancy as well as Vermont-based NGO Institute for Sustainable Communities.

Statement: Throughout his life, Greg Nickels has fostered greater participation in government, first as a county council member, later as Mayor of Seattle. He has a gift for bringing together people to make government work more effectively and efficiently. As Secretary of State - three pillars will define Greg’s approach:

Protecting Our Democracy. Free and fair elections are the cornerstones of democracy. Greg will work tirelessly to impartially oversee elections, boost voter turnout, and adopt secure technologies that guarantee transparency and accuracy.

Restore Citizen Trust by Curbing the Influence of Money. Unrestricted cash pollutes our elections. Greg will put the “citizen” back in citizen initiatives, fighting for tougher campaign laws, steeper penalties and tools to curb large, last minute contributions.

An Advocate for All. Greg believes that the office of Secretary of State should be free of politics. More than any other statewide office, this post requires someone whose integrity has been tested publicly and proven exemplary. Greg has lived by a set of standards that always put the needs of the many ahead of partisan or other interests. We need a champion, ready to take on big money and committed to serving all. We need Greg Nickels, Secretary of State.

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Regarding write-ins

A write-in line is provided on your ballot for each race regardless of the number of candidates. You have the option to write in the name of a candidate. Frivolous write-ins, such as Mickey Mouse or Bigfoot, result in additional work and expenses to process.

You do not need to make a selection in every race for your votes to count, and write-in votes are not tallied by name unless the total number of write-in votes could make a difference in the result of the race.

Write-in: Ann
Remember to sign the return envelope

Sign the declaration on the back of your return envelope before sending it back. Take your time and sign carefully.

Before any ballot is counted, state law requires that specially trained staff make sure the signature on the ballot envelope matches the signature on file with your voter registration. If you forget to sign, or if the signature doesn’t match, Elections staff will contact you to take care of the issue.

Jim McIntire
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: State Treasurer; 2008-current, State Representative, 46th District; 1998-2008

Other Professional Experience: Economist, Navigant Consulting, Inc.; 1999-2008; Faculty, UW Evans School of Public Affairs; 1983-2008; Fiscal Policy Advisor, Governor Booth Gardner; 1985-88; Research Scientist, Battelle; 1983-85

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

Community Service: Chair, Economic and Revenue Forecast Council, 2003-2008; 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

Statement: In the wake of the financial turmoil that has shaken the national and local economies, Jim McIntire has been a tireless advocate for the safety and security of public funds, transparency in financial management, and smart, long-term investing to safeguard your tax dollars.

As Treasurer and chair of the State Finance Committee, Jim has been a voice for accountability, helping the state finance job-creating investments for transportation projects and capital improvements for schools, universities, and parks. Jim has helped limit state debt to ensure that sufficient resources will be available for future needs and implemented reforms that saved $1.3 billion in interest payments during these difficult economic times.

A consistent voice for financial accountability, Jim helped safeguard public deposits in banks throughout the state making sure public deposits were not lost or placed at risk in the wake of Wall St. meltdowns and bank closures. He also worked with homebuyers to provide counseling resources to help prevent foreclosure.

Jim McIntire brings over 30 years of hands-on financial leadership and experience in both the public and private sector. He has made the Treasurer’s office more open and transparent and will be our voice for financial security and prosperity.

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Auditor

Troy Kelley
(Prefers Democratic Party)


**Other Professional Experience:** Business Owner, 1999-present; Lieutenant Colonel, Washington National Guard; Instructor, Army JAG School; Past President, Fortune 500 Company; Regulatory Audits, SEC; Department of Justice.

**Education:** BA, University of California, Berkeley; JD, MBA, State University of New York, Buffalo.

**Community Service:** Tacoma Chamber of Commerce, Tacoma PTA, VFW, United Way. Youth football and baseball coach. Met wife Diane in 1990. They live in Tacoma with their two sons and attend St. Leo’s Church.

**Statement:** Retiring State Auditor Brian Sonntag says, “Troy gets it! He’s the independent voice we need to ensure state dollars are focused on the right priorities. He’s unwavering in his work eliminating waste and holding government accountable, ensuring we have transparent government. We need his kind of leadership.”

Troy believes in fiscal integrity. Leading by example, he was the first of 147 legislators to voluntarily cut his pay in the economic downturn. Troy is the only candidate in this race to cut his pay and refuse all special session reimbursement payments.

Troy believes our ability to focus on top priorities like education depends on our ability to manage budgets responsibly. That’s why he voted to uphold the will of the people ensuring lower class sizes, and uphold voter-approved initiatives fighting unfair tax increases. *The News Tribune* says, “The state needs more of his fiscal prudence. Kelley brings a welcome voice and small business perspective to the House and is strong on veterans issues.” *The Moderate Washingtonian* said Troy supports “fiscal responsibility but doesn’t waffle and has stood up for basic fairness on issues that matter.”

Hire Troy Kelley as your next State Auditor. Ensure our tax dollars are spent wisely.

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James Watkins
(Prefers Republican Party)

**Elected Experience:** This is a job for a professional, not a politician. I work professionally to make organizations faster, more efficient, and more effective.

**Other Professional Experience:** In the 23 years since earning my MBA, I’ve done 150+ performance audits. I’ve been a successful executive and principle consultant in large professional services firms and run business units for Fortune 50 firms. I’ve worked with major federal agencies; non-profits; and innovative private sector businesses, large and small.

**Education:** BBA, MBA, George Washington University.

**Community Service:** Elected to leadership in Church, youth organizations, etc. Citizen activist focusing on good/open government issues. Active charity fundraiser. Married 27 years; two children.

**Statement:** Retiring state auditor Brian Sonntag says “…[Watkins] is particularly well qualified based on his experience and background to advance the State Auditor’s Office and be an independent advocate for taxpayers.”

I have the judgment and real world experience to make sure we get a dollar’s value from every dollar we pay in taxes. Since earning my MBA, I’ve worked successfully for 23 years to make organizations faster, more effective, and more efficient – and we need more of that in Olympia.

My opponent is a professional politician who voted repeatedly to weaken the auditor’s office, massively increase state spending, and hike taxes. Now, he’s asking you to trust him to audit and evaluate the very same government programs he voted to create! That’s like asking a fox to watch the henhouse.

We need government we can trust. Citizens won’t allow the legislature to raise taxes: efficiency and cost savings are the only way to fund our shared priorities while rebuilding voter trust. As your state auditor, I pledge to drive efficiency and effectiveness; to limit fraud, waste, and abuse; and defend and expand open, transparent government.

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Auditor

Mark Miloscia
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** Washington State Representative; Chair, House Audit Committee; Lakehaven Utility District Commissioner

**Other Professional Experience:** Board of Examiners, Baldrige Performance Excellence Program and Washington Quality Award; Executive Director, Youth and Family Services; Director, Tacoma Goodwill; Contract Manager, Defense Department; Executive Officer 46th Bomb Squadron; Public, Catholic School Teacher; B-52 Pilot

**Education:** Engineering, USAF Academy; MBA, University of ND; MA, Clinical Psychology, Chapman University; Harvard’s Kennedy’s School, Senior Executives in Government; Quality Examiner Training, National Baldrige Performance Program; American Society of Quality, Certified Quality Manager

**Community Service:** Boys and Girls Club; Chamber of Commerce; St. Vincent’s Marriage Renewal Leader (with wife of 32 years Meschell), Knights of Columbus

**Statement:** Tired of government waste and mismanagement? I certainly am! As your Auditor, I will restore your trust in the way government spends your money. I am the only candidate with the experience and qualifications to cut waste and make our government the most efficient, effective, and transparent in the nation.

With over 25 years of hands-on auditing experience, I gained valuable knowledge auditing Boeing, small businesses, universities, hospitals, and government agencies. As State Representative, I worked alongside Brian Sonntag to sponsor and pass our states’ first performance audit legislation. I am a national speaker on performance and quality management. Governing Magazine identifies me as "...Washington legislature’s most prominent and outspoken performance measurement and management guru…"

I have earned the strong support of business, labor, Democrats, Republicans, and Independents because of my expertise in performance audits and passion for governmental reform. I am the only candidate with a proven track record to fight for taxpayers on day one.

As Auditor, I will give grades to agencies – including the Auditor’s Office – so that you can clearly see which agencies are wasteful and which are effective. Transparency and accountability will be my hallmark. Elect Mark Miloscia – A real performance audit expert.

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Craig Pridemore
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** Clark County Commissioner (1999-2005), State Senator (2005-present)

**Other Professional Experience:** Chair, Joint Legislative Audit Review Committee; Member, Citizens Commission for the Performance Measurement of Tax Preferences; Past Chair, Economic and Revenue Forecast Council; Past Vice Chair (Operating Budget) Senate Ways & Means Committee; Finance Manager, Clark County Department of Public Works (1992-1998); Firm Administrator, Quezada, Godsey and Co. Certified Public Accountants (1990-1992).

**Education:** University of Washington, B.A., Political Science (1989)

**Community Service:** Board member and past interim Executive Director, Columbia River Mental Health Services

**Statement:** “The State Auditor is a taxpayer watchdog and resource for responsible government managers. I’m the only candidate with hands-on state, local, and private sector auditing experience. I’ll use this important office to rebuild trust and maximize efficiency—not score partisan political points. I would be honored by your vote.”

The son of a teacher and mill worker, State Senator Craig Pridemore joined the Army after high school and went to UW on the new GI Bill. He is dedicated to serving the interests of hardworking middle class families.

Current Chair of the bi-partisan Joint Legislative Audit Review Committee and Senate Government Operations Committee, Craig passed money saving reform bills, implemented performance audits and demanded closure of wasteful tax loopholes that create deficits, not jobs. A former Clark County Commissioner and Chief Financial Officer, Craig understands the challenges—and opportunities—facing local governments. Originally an administrator of private sector auditors, Craig has a business driven approach rooted in fairness and efficiency.

Craig is 100% pro-choice and will not allow DC-style “audits” of Planned Parenthood meant to deny care, not save money. Sole Endorsements: King, Pierce, and dozens of Democratic Organizations; WEA; Planned Parenthood & NARAL; Business, Elected and Community Leaders Statewide.

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**Bob Ferguson**  
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** Elected three terms to the King County Council; unanimously elected Chair by colleagues to lead legislative branch of 150 employees; Law and Justice Committee Chair; 3-time Budget Chair.

**Other Professional Experience:** Law clerk in Spokane for Chief Judge Nielsen of the Federal District Court of Eastern Washington; Law clerk for Judge Bright of the 8th Circuit Federal Court of Appeals; Litigation Attorney, Preston, Gates & Ellis, one of Washington’s leading law firms.

**Education:** Law Degree, New York University; B.A., University of Washington

**Community Service:** Bob and his family are active in St. Catherine’s Church; Jesuit Volunteer Corps; Children and Youth Justice Coordinating Council on Gangs.

**Statement:** A fourth generation Washingtonian, husband and father, Bob Ferguson brings middle class values and independence to the office of Attorney General. Bob will reform government while protecting families, children, and small businesses from powerful special interests and dangerous criminals.

Bob will prosecute sexual predators to the fullest extent of the law and has a detailed plan to crack down on gangs. The Washington State Patrol Troopers Association, elected prosecutors, sheriffs, and law enforcement officials statewide endorse Bob.

A reformer, Bob has a record of protecting taxpayers and eliminating government waste. He balanced the County budget, pushed government to buy used furniture to save money, and returns part of his salary each year. He went against his party and risked his seat to eliminate four elected Council positions. Politicians talk about reducing government - Bob’s done it.

Son of a public school teacher and Boeing employee, Bob will prosecute powerful special interests that rip off seniors, veterans, and taxpayers. Bob will fight insurance companies that wrongfully deny coverage to hardworking people. Endorsed by Washington Conservation Voters, Bob will prosecute polluters and force the federal government to clean up Hanford. Endorsed by Planned Parenthood, Bob will protect a woman’s right to choose.

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**Reagan Dunn**  
(Prefers Republican Party)

**Elected Experience:** King County Councilmember (2005-present)

**Other Professional Experience:** Federal Prosecutor / Assistant US Attorney, Western District of Washington, Terrorism and Violent Crime Unit; Special Assistant US Attorney, Southern Florida and District of Columbia; Senior Counsel to the Director, Executive Office for US Attorneys, Department of Justice, Washington, D.C.; National Coordinator, Project Safe Neighborhoods; Chair, U.S. Department of Justice Firearms Enforcement Assistance Team; Private Attorney, Inslee Best Doezie and Ryder, P.S.

**Education:** Juris Doctor, University of Washington School of Law, Order of Barristers; B.A., Arizona State University, magna cum laude

**Community Service:** WSBA’s Legal Aid Committee; Fmr. Board Member, Eastside Legal Assistance Program; Board Member, Bellevue Schools Foundation

**Statement:** Experience: I am the only candidate with both experience as a prosecutor in the courtroom and experience leading teams of law enforcement officials to put dangerous criminals behind bars. Vision: I will fight to keep our communities safe, protect consumers from unethical businesses, preserve our environment, and get more out of our tax dollars. Washington should be the best place to start a small business and the worst place to commit a crime.

**Integrity:** The U.S. Department of Justice has placed its trust in me, and I have passed rigorous “full-field” FBI background investigations resulting in Top Secret security clearance.

**Independence:** As an elected official, I have a reputation for doing what’s right, even when it’s not popular. I will use my experience as a federal prosecutor to protect the public from predatory businesses, polluters, cyber criminals, and those who prey on our most vulnerable citizens.

**Broad support:** I am the only candidate endorsed by more than 40 Democratic, Republican, and Independent elected county prosecutors and sheriffs, three former Attorneys General, and countless law enforcement professionals including the Council of Metropolitan Police and Sheriffs. I’m also proud to have key support from firefighters, doctors, realtors, builders, farmers, and many others.

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Attorney General

Stephen Pidgeon
(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience: A free market champion and a defender of constitutional rights, Mr. Pidgeon has held many elected posts in business and other organizations.

Other Professional Experience: Stephen is a litigation attorney practicing in Washington. He is also a published author and an experienced business executive with public and privately traded companies. He founded Decalogos International and is the CEO of BiblePlex.com.

Education: Stephen holds a Juris Doctorate (JD) from Lewis & Clark Law School, and a BA from the University of Alaska, Anchorage in Justice.

Community Service: Since 2002, Stephen has done mission work in Eastern Europe and Eurasia on behalf of religious liberty and civil society.

Statement: As stated in our Constitution, the Attorney General has a duty to protect and defend our individual rights. As a champion of God-given human rights, I support the right to life, to liberty, and to property. As the sponsor of Initiative 1192, I support marriage as between one man and one woman. As the lawyer for the R-71 campaign, I support privacy for petition signers against retribution. As the lawyer who fought income taxes, I support economic freedom in Washington. As an opponent of the abuse of Governmental power, I will defend the small farmer to farm, the employer to hire, and the entrepreneur to take risks. I support the right to bear arms, and the right to peaceably assemble for a redress of grievances. As an experienced trial lawyer, I will protect the rights of Washingtonians to a true market, to fair competition, and for integrity in the exercise of the voting process. As a person who cares about America, I will restore the basic freedoms we hold dear. A vote for Stephen Pidgeon is a vote to restore the rule of Law. Restoration is in order, the Constitution is the agenda, and Stephen Pidgeon is the right candidate.

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Tips for voting

• Read the ballot, envelope and voters’ pamphlet carefully

• Use a black ink pen to fill out your ballot

• Remove and recycle the stub at the top of the ballot

• Sign the declaration on the back of the return envelope

• Do not put multiple ballots in one envelope

• Lost or damaged ballot? Questions?
Call 206-296-VOTE (8683)
**Stephen A. Sharon**  
(States No Party Preference)

**Elected Experience:** No information submitted  
**Other Professional Experience:** No information submitted  
**Education:** I grew up in Tacoma, Washington on an ‘in city farm’. Had many animals and allot of responsibility. Have always learned from watching nature, and have connected to it’s soul my entire life. I didn’t know at the time how much this love would grow. I attended the University of Washington and graduated with a degree in business administration. I had a “born again” experience a few years ago while hiking in Zion National Park, Utah. And now I know my love and connection to nature are my purpose. I believe nature is sacred. I am a guardian of it.  

**Community Service:** No information submitted  
**Statement:** Zeitgeist Washingtonians! The following are destroying our natural resources: The federal government and it’s many agencies, multi-national corporations, lobbyists, and the politicians who are overly influenced by them. I am the no-party candidate, and lifelong Washingtonian, I am a lover of nature and my fellow man. I am not money, or power motivated. I believe climate change is real. The incumbent admitted our forests are dying, but isn’t moving fast enough to reverse the trend. He has had 4 years, and not enough to show for it.  

I will make clear-cutting of forests illegal on state and private land. I will propose to legislature a “Tree Tax”. This tree tax will be used to fund our school trust. Eventually, I will eliminate our financial dependency to cut timber on our public lands. This will help salmon runs, and also help Puget Sound. A forest takes several hundred years to mature. We will run out of trees before we run out of money.  

We must protect our greatest asset, our natural resources. Ask yourself, “is the status-quo working? Then visit zeitgeistmovie.com. There is a solution. I will make it happen for us. I’m asking for your help.  

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**Peter J. Goldmark**  
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** Commissioner of Public Lands  
**Other Professional Experience:** Lifelong rancher, scientist, wheat breeder, Director of Agriculture  
**Education:** B.A. Haverford College; Ph.D. Molecular Biology, University of California Berkeley; Postdoctoral Fellowship in Neurobiology, Harvard  

**Community Service:** Former President and member of the WSU Board of Regents; Okanogan School Board Member; volunteer wild land firefighter for over thirty years  

**Statement:** A lifelong Eastern Washington rancher and father of five, Peter Goldmark has restored integrity to the management of nearly 15 million acres of forest, agricultural land and water resources. Peter works hard to maximize the potential for jobs, recreation, education, and wildlife preservation throughout Washington.  

Trained as a scientist, Peter understands the need to reduce our dependence on foreign oil and address climate change through renewable energy resources, which is why he passed legislation to grow this exciting industry.  

Peter led efforts to restore Puget Sound and promote sustainable shellfish farming. He protected crucial habitat on Maury Island from international mining operations and launched Puget SoundCorps, putting youth and veterans to work on vital cleanup projects.  

Endorsed by the Washington Conservation Voters, Peter knows that forests are essential to our quality of life, supporting an industry that provides jobs to communities across our state, while providing clean air and water to the benefit of all Washingtonians. That’s why he preserved 15,000 acres along the I-90 corridor, created the Community Forest Trust to protect endangered timberlands, and kept forests open for recreation.  

With your vote, Peter will continue restoring Puget Sound, sustainably managing forests, protecting wildlife, and developing renewable energy jobs.  

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Clint Didier
(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience: No information submitted


Education: Graduated from Connell High School; B.S in Political Science, Portland State University.

Community Service: Connell High School Football Coach 1999-2009, coaching teams that included my three sons (I also have one daughter with my wife of 30 years, Kristi, and 2 grandchildren), and winning 2 state championships; Charity Tournament Director, “Fighting Children’s Cancer” 2004-2010; Member, Washington State Farm Bureau.

Statement: In Washington, we depend on the land for food, homes, business and recreation. But “We the People” also own millions of acres held in trust for us. Revenues from those lands (now, more than $200 million) finance school construction and many county services. But the state projections show that those revenues are likely to go down in coming years.

But we can turn that around to protect our children’s’ future by generating more revenues through sustainable uses of these properties.

I am a steward of the land—a second generation farmer in the “breadbasket” known as the Columbia Basin, and an avid sportsman. In order to be sustainable, I must farm the land to be as productive as possible but at the same time regard all environmental concerns including land/water quality, and preservation of wildlife.

Much of the public lands are located in areas that have had little “say” in Olympia. My goal is to change that process. And I will run Department of Natural Resources as a lean organization, watching over taxpayer dollars. I’m a farmer who knows the land, the forests, the water and the wildlife. I’d like to manage them for the citizens of Washington.

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James Bauckman

Elected Experience: WA state Delegate for 2012 Democratic Convention

Other Professional Experience: Head of School: The Majestic Academy- Present; Owner/ Producer: Revolutionary Productions LLC- Present; Head of School: Pioneer Meadows Montessori School; Head of School: Blue Hills Montessori School; Montessori Elementary teacher; Middle school science teacher; R&D Chemist and Laboratory Manager

Education: Bachelors of Science in Field Biology and Chemistry double major from Roger Williams University; AMS Montessori Elementary Credential from CMTE/NY; Masters in Educational Administration (completion summer 2012) from Western Washington University with 4.0 GPA

Community Service: Producer and host of Being the Change: You are the Solution www.beingthechange.net; Students for Educational Equality at Western Washington University

Statement: To solve the problems in our educational system, we need to celebrate our progress and share best practices developed by successful students, teachers, and administrators. Once we focus on what is right in our schools, we can work together to overcome obstacles. High-stakes testing and charter schools will not help our students achieve. We need a variety of assessment methods throughout the year to determine what students are learning and struggling with. Our schools need to be safe places, free from bullying with high quality STEM programs, visual/performing arts, athletics, and vocational education, so students develop a variety of skills to prepare them to be successful adults. Education is the most important thing that we do as a civilization. Every dollar spent educating our citizens decreases unemployment and use of other social services and increases our quality of life and ability of our people to be resilient during difficult times.

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Randy I. Dorn

Elected Experience: Current Superintendent of Public Instruction; State Representatives for seven years, Chair of the House Education Committee.

Other Professional Experience: Elementary and middle school teacher; elementary and high school principal; Executive Director of the Public School Employees of Washington.

Education: Bachelor’s Degree from University of Idaho; Masters Degree in education from Pacific Lutheran University; Superintendent’s credential from Washington State University.

Community Service: Jobs for America’s Graduates National Board of Directors; Washington State Department of Natural Resources’ Board of Natural Resources; Association of Washington School Principals’ President’s Award; Washington Association of School Administrators’ Golden Gavel Award; Association for Career and Technical Education’s National Leadership Award.

Statement: For the past three years I’ve had the privilege of being your Superintendent of Public Instruction. I first ran for this office in 2008 to reform education and bring new leadership to Olympia, and in a few short years, we’ve made a lot of progress: We replaced the WASL with a better, fairer system of testing, Enacted reforms to hold everyone in education more accountable for student learning, and improved our ability to improve or remove struggling teachers, Created cutting-edge programs to prepare our kids for the jobs of the future by partnering with companies like Microsoft and Boeing, And I have consistently led the fight in Olympia for more education funding to meet our constitutional obligation to Washington’s kids.

I am running for re-election because the work is not done. We must continue to reform our schools in order to maintain high standards and increase accountability. And we need to demand full funding of education so our students have the tools and resources they need to get the world-class education they deserve.

As a teacher, principal, and legislator I’ve always made our kids’ future the highest priority.

I would appreciate your vote.

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Superintendent of Public Instruction

Don Hansler

Elected Experience: None

Other Professional 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 college textbook on methods of teaching thinking skills.

Education: Bachelor of Science in Fisheries, Master of Science in Fisheries, and Teaching Certificate, all from the University of Washington.

Community Service: Served on numerous advisory boards for Issaquah schools, and served as district levy chairman. Taught thinking skills 5 days a week for 12 years on a volunteer basis.

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 education, accompanied by a ban on special school levies for operations, and elimination of state business taxes. 3. Establishment of a three-level high school diploma system: minimum, basic, and advanced. 4. Revision of our state testing system, 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 book “More Than A Band-aid”. A free copy may be requested by emailing me at: donhansler@comcast.net. I have been married to Marge Keister Hansler since 1958, and have 3 daughters and 6 grandchildren.

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John Patterson Blair

Elected Experience: Vashon School Board 2000-04

Other Professional Experience: High School Science Teacher 1969-77; Developed and taught a high school Special Education transition curriculum 1970-72; Teachers Union negotiator 1970-72; A founding and participating teacher, Cinnaminson (NJ) Alternative High School for 170+ 10th -12th grade students who wanted to take responsibility for their own education 1972-76; Candidate for Superintendent of Public Instruction 2004 & 2008, 90,000+ votes both times, 9% of the vote statewide.

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


Statement: Every family should have the opportunity to take responsibility for individualizing the public education of their own children. To that end, I propose a new foundation for public education, of which the existing local public school districts would be an unchanged part. This new foundation would consist of:

Individual Student Trust Accounts - for all students, funded annually using each student’s existing $10,000+ state education voucher. With approval, each student’s parents may spend these accumulating funds at any 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.

Neighborhood Education Districts - three locally elected trustees will oversee the educational progress of 50 to 200 participating neighborhood students. The trustees must approve parental education choices for students passing applicable WASL tests.

Community Facility Districts - locally elected, will own, operate and maintain all public facilities. Life-cycle maintenance funds will be included in the original bond funding.

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Ronald L. (Ron) Higgins

Elected Experience: None

Other Professional Experience: Certificated teacher - mathematics endorsement; Substitute elementary/middle/high school teacher, including bi-lingual and special education, for Richland, Pasco, Kennewick, Burbank, Finley, and Kiona-Benton City school districts; assignments included alternative high schools, vocational high school, science/technology high school, and juvenile justice center; CDL - School bus driver; Retired engineer, US Department of Energy; Registered Professional Engineer

Education: MS Chemical Engineering, UW - 1980; MS Aeronautical Systems, University of West Florida - 1970; BS Chemistry Cal Poly - 1969

Community Service: Marine Corps: Vietnam Veteran, Helicopter Pilot; Reserve Lieutenant Colonel, (Retired); Ignite Youth Mentoring; Red Cross platelet donor; Youth soccer referee; Boy Scout Leader

Statement: Our country is beset with many challenges: Jobs are being sent overseas; The value of our currency is being reduced; Our national sovereignty is being undermined; Sexual anarchy is being promoted by some of our most trusted institutions; Our children are not learning their rights and responsibilities as citizens of a constitutional republic; The federal government is usurping more and more power from local government; The morale and combat effectiveness of our military is being undermined by continual involvement in no-win wars; Religious liberty is being suppressed at the same time Islamic mosques that promote terrorism are not being monitored or controlled; Our media are at best derelict in not keeping us informed on important issues, instead keeping us occupied with the trivial and mundane; Judges have usurped legislative authority and in some instances suppressed our Constitutional liberty, thus changing our republic into an oligarchy; The EPA is imposing regulations to abolish rural private property ownership and undermine our economy.

These and other issues require our response. As PCO, I will apply the principles of Abraham Lincoln: identify like-minded people, educated them on the issues, and motivate them to get involved and vote.

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John R. Adams
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Elected Experience: Lake Washington School District Board of Directors - 8 years
Other Professional Experience: Board Member Washington Assigned Risk - USL&H pool; 42 years as Insurance Underwriter and Broker
Education: University of Washington BA
Community Service: US Army 1962-65; American Legion; Port of Seattle FTAC committee
Statement: Ex-Congressman Kriedler has been our State's Insurance Commissioner for 11 years. It's time for a change. Over the past seven years annual healthcare premiums increased 50% and employee share of premiums increased by 63%. If premium trends continue the average premium for family healthcare coverage will rise 72 percent by 2020.
Our State Insurance Commissioner’s system for regulating private insurance companies is outdated. It stifles and limits competition. Access of affordable insurance can be expanded through smarter regulations. Unfair underwriting practices must be stopped to eliminate discrimination.
I will present a series of remedies to shortcomings of so-called “healthcare reform” to restore choice and increase market availability. I will provide leadership for enabling group purchasing of prescription drugs in this state to lower healthcare coverage costs and reduce Co-pays. State tort laws must be reformed to address rising costs to medical care providers in order to make treatment affordable.
With my four decades of experience as an independent insurance broker serving Seattle’s commercial insurance needs, I know how to get insurance cost down for consumers. As a former elected member of the Lake Washington's School Board, I worked for better schools by cutting bureaucracy that discouraged good classroom teaching.

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Mike Kreidler
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Elected Experience: Mike Kreidler has served with distinction as Insurance Commissioner since 2001. Mike also served as a school board member, State Representative, State Senator and U.S. Congressman.
Other Professional Experience: Mike worked as a Doctor of Optometry for 20 years. He was a small business owner and served as Director of Region 10 for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.
Education: Mike earned a Doctor of Optometry degree from Pacific University and a master’s degree in public health from UCLA.
Community Service: Mike is a retired Lieutenant Colonel in the U.S. Army Reserves. He has been a member of a number of community service organizations.
Statement: Mike Kreidler is a strong and independent voice willing to stand up to powerful industry interests as the state’s top advocate for insurance consumers. In his first three terms, Mike Kreidler saved consumers over $300 million in auto and homeowners’ insurance by cutting excessive premium rates proposed by insurance companies. His free advocacy program helped consumers recover over $160 million in wrongly delayed or denied claims.
The people of our state deserve quality, affordable health insurance. Mike Kreidler has worked tirelessly to make sure that insurance companies can no longer deny coverage to those of us with health issues. Mike is fighting for legislation that will stop non-profit health insurers from stockpiling excess profits. He will continue working with consumer, business and legislative leaders to make health care reform a reality and bring hope to the one million men, women and children in Washington who have no coverage today.
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 keeping Mike Kreidler as your Insurance Commissioner.

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Insurance Commissioner

Scott Reilly
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**Elected Experience:** I am not a professional politician.

**Other Professional Experience:** President/Owner Walls Training, Inc., since 1989 I have trained 35,000 Northwest residents in insurance

**Education:** University of Washington, BA, History

**Community Service:** Life long resident of the state. I volunteer on behalf of a variety of community activities and events

**Statement:** It's time for a new Insurance Commissioner. Over the last 16 years politicians have run this office and we now have fewer choices and costs have skyrocketed. I will cut red tape, bureaucracy and reduce the mandates insurance providers face which keep competing insurance products out of Washington that are available in neighboring states.

I will reform the Insurance Commissioner’s office as well. Staff has increased by 35%, to 225, with a budget of $115 million per year. The result: insurance providers are forced to spend your premium dollars complying with burdensome and unnecessary paperwork rather than paying claims.

I have 35 years experience in the insurance industry at every level. I have trained tens of thousands of your neighbors to be ethical, honest consumer advocates. I will commit to a performance audit of the office and to bring small business efficiency and effectiveness to the job; I will always put consumers first.

We spend 20% of our income on Insurance; let's get the politicians out of the industry. Vote for Scott Reilly for Washington State Insurance Commissioner

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Brian C. Berend
(Prefers Independent Party)

**Elected Experience:** Chairman of the Board for the Auburn Area Chamber of Commerce. Past President of the Sumner Meadows Men’s Club.

**Other Professional Experience:** Small business owner since 1986. Named FloodSmart Agent of the Year 2010 from FEMA.

**Education:** AA degree from Green River Community College. Graduate of the Leadership Institute of Sound Puget Sound. Earned the LUTCF designation from National Association of Life Underwriters. Earned the CIC designation from the Society of Certified Insurance Counselors.

**Community Service:** Volunteer at Local School, Auburn Food Bank and Junior Achievement. Assistant coach for Little League baseball.

**Statement:** It is the responsibility of the Insurance Commissioner to advocate for and to protect the citizens of Washington State.

Brian C. Berend is a person of integrity and is a skilled and capable leader who will protect the citizens. He will work hard to enforce and regulate the Insurance Code of Washington State and ensure that all companies are in compliance with and adhere to all laws, rules and regulations.

Brian has an excellent working relationship with people and companies in his community and industry. He will work hard to create strategic partnerships to achieve affordable insurance. Insurance can be complicated and Brian’s 27 years of experience working with clients and industry leading firms will help him navigate through these complicated issues.

Consumers can count on Brian’s professionalism and experience to bring the same trust and confidence he has earned from his customers and welcomes the opportunity to instill that same trust and confidence to the citizens of Washington State.

Help bring his 27 years of professional experience to the Insurance Commissioner’s office. Please support us by voting for Brian C. Berend to be our next State Insurance Commissioner.

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### Bob Hasegawa

(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** 11th District State Representative: 8 years

**Other Professional Experience:** Washington State Labor Council, VP; Teamsters Local 174: Secretary/Treasurer, 9 years, member, 32 yrs; ATU member (Metro Route 111 Operator); King County Labor Council Board, 7 yrs; Operating Engineer, 7 yrs

**Education:** UofW, Evans School of Public Affairs: Master of Public Administration; Antioch University Seattle: Labor Studies, & Organizational and Social Change, BA; Operating Engineers, Journey-level; Seattle Central Community College, Information Technology; Shoreline Community College: Labor Studies AA degree; Cleveland HS Seattle

**Community Service:** Boardmember: UofW Bridges Center for Labor Studies, Japanese American Citizens League, Asian Pacific American Labor Alliance, Center for Social Justice

**Statement:**

Bob Hasegawa is a longtime labor, civil rights, and social justice activist and effective advocate for our district in the legislature. Bob fights for family wage jobs and equity of opportunity for all of us, especially our children. He leads with his vision of social and economic justice, and works hard every day to achieve that future we all want for our children. That’s why one of his legislative priorities is to create a publicly owned state bank. Like the savings account his grandpa said to put dime into every day, our state bank will grow and work for us. Invest in Washington, not Wall Street! (www.bobhasegawa.com)

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### Kristin Thompson

(Prefers Republican Party)

**Elected Experience:** This is my initial run for elected office

**Other Professional Experience:** Registered Dental Hygienist 1996-Present. Professional leadership and development training 1996-present.

**Education:** Kristin graduated from Yakima College in 1996 with a Degree in Dental Hygiene.

**Community Service:** Appointed precinct captain in 2010. Kristin has volunteered for Friends of the Cedar River Watershed. She was treasurer of Lindbergh PTA, lead parent and treasurer of Lindbergh Football Parent Group, Lindbergh scholarship committee volunteer, and Renton School District bond and levy committee member in 2008. She and her husband Mark attend New Life Church in Renton and her son Chris attends EWU studying pre-med.

**Statement:** Kristin is a wife, mother, and lifelong Washington resident. Kristin’s skills as an excellent listener and communicator have served her well in her dental hygiene career and in her efforts working with people of all backgrounds in the community. She finds common ground with people of differing opinions while staying true to her core principles.

She has been a passionate participant in Renton schools. Among her contributions listed above, her initiative and leadership were essential in revitalizing her son’s high school football program, which began in shambles and $20,000 in debt. Kristin built coalitions with administrators, coaches, students, and parents, getting the program renovated and back in the black.

As an informed and concerned citizen, Kristin understands our top concerns include jobs, education, and wasteful government spending. She will utilize teamwork, leadership, and vision to bring your voice to Olympia. She will roll up her sleeves and work hard to prioritize spending, attract good businesses and great-paying jobs to the state, and find solutions to improve and fund education. Working together on these issues, we can position ourselves for success and prosperity now and for years to come.

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State Representative - Position 1

Zack Hudgins
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: State Representative

Other Professional Experience: Worked at Amazon.com, Microsoft, United Way of King County and High line Community College

Education: BA from the University of Notre Dame

Community Service: Member Washington State Arts Commission; Joint Committee for Military and Veterans Affairs; Two term President of the Board for the VA Puget Sound Fisher House for Veterans; Member of CWA/Washtech Local 37083; Former member of the Board for the Domestic Abuse Women’s Network; Earth Day volunteer with People for Puget Sound; member of the South Seattle Community College President’s Advisory Committee; member of the Renton Chamber of Commerce; support for various community organizations.

Statement: Like many families, my wife and I worry about the economy, our son’s education and the future. I want to take my experience working in the public and private sectors and as a husband and father to Olympia to create good jobs and fight for better education funding. Even as the economy begins to improve, I know there is a long way to go. With your vote I can fight for better jobs, affordable health care, a balanced budget, a clean environment. Endorsed by: WA State Labor Council, NARAL, Awarded - Legislator of the year WA Conservation Voters. Thank you.

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Jim Flynn
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Elected Experience: Citizen Politician, Grassroots Activist

Other Professional Experience: Tradesman, Businessman

Education: Electrical Technology

Community Service: Founding Member Benson Hill Communities Progress Group; Sound Alliance, an IAF organization; Seattle LELO; 1st Save Lindbergh Pool Committee; Exec Brd 11th LD Dems

Statement: Should the state government be adequately funded with a simple, stable tax system? If you answered yes, then we share the same vision. Only We the People can solve the budget shortfall problem. We need to eliminate the state’s regressive sales and B&O tax. Elect a leader who will work to implement a simple and adequate income tax that will provide tax revenue stability during economic downturns. I am willing to take the shot. Send me to Olympia. Let’s get the ball rolling for a tax system fair to all. I need your vote. Together, we can get it done.

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Legislative District No. 11

State Representative - Position 2

Steve Bergquist
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: First time candidate

Other Professional Experience: Teacher at Renton's Lindbergh High School; Small Business Owner of Aces Tennis; Coach of Lindbergh High School Tennis Team and of Lindbergh and Renton High School Golf Teams; Leads the City of Renton Parks and Recreation tennis programs

Education: Hazen High School, Renton; Bachelors Degree, Political Science and History, University of Washington; Masters Degree, Western Washington University

Community Service: Steve led a community effort that has raised $100,000, saving the Renton School District golf teams. He co-founded Seattle Serves, and has volunteered at Habitat for Humanity, Salvation Army Renton Food Bank, Ronald McDonald House, and Mountains to Sound Greenway Trust.

Statement: There are no active teachers in the legislature. Maybe that is why we rank among the bottom in class size and per-pupil funding, and display a shocking achievement gap for minorities. Steve is tired of partisan bickering and will work hard as a legislator to achieve results, just as he has as a teacher and coach.

As a successful small business owner, Steve understands how to be efficient and create jobs. In Olympia, he will work to strengthen and encourage job creation in Washington. Many teachers, your firefighters, Senator Margarita Prentice, the 11th District and King County Democrats endorse Steve.

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Bobby Virk
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: Democratic Precinct Committee Officer (2008 - present)

Other Professional Experience: As a small business owner, I have been able to balance my budget and create local jobs in these harsh economic times. This is the type of experience we need in Olympia.

Education: Masters of Science in Dentistry- Orthodontics, Boston University; Doctor of Dental Medicine, University of Pennsylvania

Community Service: I am a King County Civil Rights Commissioner and have worked as a community organizer increasing civic engagement in under-represented communities. As a proud father, I'm active with our local PTSA and enjoy giving back to the schools and communities around my businesses.

Statement: Nearly 20 years ago, I came to the United States from India seeking the American Dream. I worked hard, became a doctor and gave back to my community. Now, I want to ensure economic opportunity for everyone. We’ve felt the impacts of the recession - watching neighbors lose their jobs or homes and witnessing drastic cuts to education and healthcare. We need leaders in Olympia who’ll grow the economy while fighting for our Democratic values. I’d be honored with your vote.


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State Representative - Position 2

Stephanie Bowman
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**Elected Experience:** No information submitted

**Other Professional Experience:** Currently I’m the Executive Director of Washington ABC, a statewide non-profit helping families invest in homeownership, financial education, savings and small business development. I have 17 years of professional experience working on economic development, workforce training and job creation on the regional, state and federal levels in the public, private and non-profit sectors. I worked full-time to pay for college through jobs in the restaurant industry.

**Education:** Seattle University, Masters in Business Administration, Executive Leadership; University of Idaho, Bachelor of Science

**Community Service:** Former Board member: Plymouth Housing Group, Rainier Valley Food Bank, Northwest Harvest Capital Campaign, P-Patch Trust, Beacon Hill Community Council

**Statement:** Olympia isn’t working. We need experienced leaders who can bypass partisanship and deliver solutions. We must fully fund K-12 education, make higher education affordable, and provide quality health care for kids and seniors. I’ve dedicated my career in both the public and private sectors to building small businesses and creating jobs, and currently lead a non-profit helping families build financial independence. As a professional woman, I’m concerned about the renewed assault on rights we have long taken for granted. I’m proudly pro-choice, and am honored to have the endorsement of the Boeing Machinists Union, the ILWU and regional business leaders.

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Rob Holland
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**Elected Experience:** Commissioner, Port of Seattle (2010-present)

**Other Professional Experience:** enterpriseSeattle; Puget Sound Regional Council Economic Development District Board; Washington Council on International Trade and Workforce Development; King County Agricultural Commission; Instructor, South Seattle Community College

**Education:** Master of Public Administration, Seattle University; Bachelor of Arts in communication, Washington State University

**Community Service:** Fellow, ENO Transportation Foundation; Fellow, the German Marshall Fund; Fellow, World Affairs Council; Precinct Committee Officer

**Statement:** Three words drove me to run for State Representative: Made In Washington. We need to see those words on as many products as possible. Our economy is stuck in a recession and Olympia is more interested in political theater than getting things done.

As a Port Commissioner, I’ve worked to set records for shipping container traffic. I’ve expanded export activity, helped high school kids with maritime careers and worked with airport vendors to create family-wage jobs. We need that effort at the state. Let’s stop gridlock and get results. Endorsed: Ron Sims, Zack Hudgins, Building Trades Council and more.

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State Representative - Position 2

Sarah Sanoy-Wright
(Prefers Republican Party)

**Elected Experience:** Precinct committee captain working with local businesses and citizens to keep our community informed of important legislation and issues

**Other Professional Experience:** Self-employed, and a professional interpreter for court and other proceedings

**Education:** 30 Years of Post-Secondary Educational Experience

**Community Service:** District 11 Republicans, Tea Party Patriots, Filipino Community of Seattle, Friends of Filipino in America, and wife of a Navy veteran.

**Statement:** An expert in public policy and business with common sense and family values. Sarah will bring a wealth of effective solutions to the state legislature.

Our priorities include: Creating a fiscally responsible State Government that will keep tax rates low on income and consumption, manage the revenue system in a sensible manner on sustainable programs, and balance the state budget. Also, our goal is to protect and improve education with Student-Centered results and to protect our state treasures. Heart to God, Hand to Man, Brings Healing to our Land. I appreciate your vote. Thank you!

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Linda Kochmar
(Prefers Republican Party)


**Other Professional Experience:**
Certified Risk Manager - Associate in Risk Management (ARM); Program Administrator; AWC Certified Municipal Leader; NLC Certificate of Achievement in Leadership

**Education:** B.A. Degree - Graduate of Marylhurst College (now Marylhurst University) 1968; Coursework/Masters in Public Administration, Seattle University

**Community Service:** Chair, Suburban Cities Association Public Issues Committee; Chair, Land Use/Transportation Committee; Chair, Finance/Regional Affairs Committee; Chair, Parks/Recreation/Human Services/Public Safety Committee; Kiwanis Foundation Board; Soroptomists; American Association of University Women; NCEA Distinguished Graduate; Soroptomist Woman of Distinction

**Statement:** Linda Kochmar has been a proven steward in Federal Way for fourteen years on the City Council where she served four years as Deputy Mayor and as Mayor in 2010. Voted Best City Leader twice, Linda worked hard to improve public safety, traffic congestion, and to assist small businesses. She helped keep taxes low and earned widespread respect through her representation on regional committees.

Linda has a BA degree and is a Nationally Certified Risk Manager. Linda is a leader with integrity and longtime advocate for families. A vote for Linda Kochmar will give us a Trusted Leader in Olympia.

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Jerry Galland
(Prefers Republican Party)

**Elected Experience:** Elected Republican PCO

**Other Professional Experience:** Husband, Father, International Grandpa; over 35year Boeing Employee; 17year Small business owner; CAPR; Founding member of Armed Defense Training Association (www.armeddefense.org); community activist and Drafted HB 2674 (2009-2010)

**Education:** Familiar with European Economic system; Citizen filing of Referendum 72 makes Jerry only the 72nd person in state history to formally challenge the State Legislature; Open Government and Open Public Meetings advocate.

**Community Service:** Over 400 units donated (up to 1200 lives affected) at Puget Sound Blood Center www.psbc.org; Boeing Employee Community Fund; Blood Center Volunteer and Devotion to an Accountable South King Fire & Rescue

**Statement:** For: Job creation through limited business regulation. For: Priority budgeting. Voters deserve a sensible straight-speaking advocate of open, accountable government. I respect citizen trust in keeping taxpayers informed of agency expenses and possible tax increases. A voter and property rights defender, my actions have saved taxpayers thousand$ against organized municipal expansion. I have proven experience and commitment to finding the truth, choosing the right path amidst adversity. Finally, I will read and understand the bill before collaboratively voting on it!!

It is time to send a fresh perspective to Olympia to represent you. Elect Jerry! Then Donate!! www.PSBC.org

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Legislative District No. 30

State Representative - Position 1

Thom Macfarlane
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: No information submitted

Other Professional Experience: I've been an IT Recruiter for 27 years, and built relationships I'll leverage to attract high tech jobs to the 30th district. I've also developed an understanding of how to bring groups of people together to get things done. Putting people to work is what I do.

Education: Bachelor's in Public Affairs, University of Oregon Our children deserve the best education possible, that is where the careers of the future are made. I'll prevent further cuts to education, because we can't compromise our children's future.

Community Service: I teach Karate twice a week, helping women learn self-defense and children learn self-discipline.

Statement: As your new Representative, I will eliminate unnecessary spending without compromising essential services. I'll use evidence to rate the effectiveness of programs and make tough budgetary decisions, backed by core values like protecting seniors, providing the services my son Matthew's generation of veterans, returning home with PTSD and facing unemployment, have earned -- and that a woman's healthcare decisions should be made by her and her doctor, not the government.

Representative Cindy Ryu endorsed me because I am the best candidate to represent a district rich in diversity as ours. With your vote, we can restore government to the people.

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Roger Flygare
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: Democratic Precinct Committee Officer, past President of the Washington Court Reporters Association & past President of the Washington Freelance Shorthand Reporters Association.

Other Professional Experience: Court Reporter/Small business owner, Roger G. Flygare and Associates, Inc; decorated Vietnam veteran, awarded the Purple Heart in 1970; former machinist/shop steward at Boeing.

Education: AA Degree in Court Reporting & Associate of Arts Degree, Green River Community College.

Community Service: Board Member, Federal Way Community Action Team (anti-human trafficking); Board Member, Federal Way Farmer's Market; former Advisory Board member, Green River Community College; Former Advisory Board member, Bates Vocational Technical School; former Board Member, Steel Lake Little League.

Statement: A small business owner, decorated veteran, and longtime community volunteer, Roger Flygare has built a reputation as a leader who rejects partisan politics to bring people together, find common ground, and get things done!

In this crucial time, we simply can't afford to keep playing politics as usual. As your representative, Roger will use the skills that have made him a successful employer to work to solve the issues that we all face every day. He is ready to go to Olympia to fight for increased government transparency, improved school funding, better transportation options, and a vibrant local economy.

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Tony Moore
(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience: President, Federal Way School Board

Other Professional Experience: Owner, wholesale tire business

Education: B.S., Business Administration, Liberty University

Community Service: Tony has been a forward thinker when it comes to serving his community. He has invested his life to working with young people through the Heritage Leadership Camp and through coaching numerous youth sports for the Boys and Girls Club, the YMCA, and the Amateur Athletic Union (AAU). As President of Citizens for Federal Way Schools, Tony worked to pass several levies and reforms to improve education. He also founded the largest African American church in Federal Way to help the needy and disadvantaged.

Statement: For the past 25 years, I have been a small businessman who knows what it takes to create jobs. In the Legislature, I will promote a friendly business environment and help bring new opportunities to our district. As President of the Federal Way School Board, I am working now to ensure all children receive a world-class education. As your Representative, I will press to make education the state’s number one budget priority.

My wife, Trisa, and I have lived in Federal Way for more than 20 years and raised our two children here. I would appreciate your vote.

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State Representative - Position 2

Katrina Asay
(Prefers Republican Party)

**Elected Experience:** State Representative 2010-present; Mayor City of Milton 2003-2010; City Council 1995-2003

**Other Professional Experience:** Real Estate Agent, Tax Preparer

**Education:** Heald Business College; Federal and International Tax Preparation; Real Estate Practices, Law and Finance; Association of Washington Cities Municipal Leadership Training

**Community Service:** Past-President, Fife-Milton Rotary; Friends of the Hylebos; Board Member Multi Service Center; Youth Group Leader; Volunteered with my three children in local schools and sports teams over the 26 years in district. Elected to and served on multiple boards including Board of Directors for Association of Washington Cities and Suburban Cities

**Statement:** It has been my honor to serve the last two years as your State Representative. My priorities remain clear; I will work in a bipartisan manner to fight for full funding of our K-12 schools to provide a quality education for our children. I will continue to work to make Washington an attractive place to do business in order to create good jobs for our citizens. I will fight to protect our most vulnerable and ensure our communities remain a safe place to live. With your support, we can get Washington working again! Thank you for your vote!

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Rick Hoffman
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** Martin Luther King County Labor Council Board - 2 years


**Education:** Bachelor Science Electrical Engineer Seattle Pacific University

**Community Service:** Tutor for three years in the after school program for at risk children at Concord Elementary School in South Seattle. Technical adviser North Seattle Community College electrical technology program

**Statement:** We are unnecessarily in terrible times. We can do so much better than we have. We have the knowledge and the tools we need to end this economic crisis but we must have the clarity of purpose and the will to end it and to strengthen our democracy. We owe it to ourselves and our children to make a better life for us all. We must begin by building on a foundation of good education, living wage jobs and a prosperous business climate. I will work with you and only for you, to accomplish a better life for us all.

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<td><strong>Other Professional Experience:</strong></td>
<td>I served as the Chief Executive Officer to Summer Racing Academies, a non-profit organization that aimed to make math and science and engineering and hydrogen fuel-cell technology all bundle into one exciting and thrilling online curriculum and then summer camp challenge.</td>
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<td>America's greatest achievers are self-made, and know how to acquire specialized knowledge in a timely, effective and affordable manner.</td>
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<td><strong>Statement:</strong></td>
<td>I will use my office, if elected, to foster local business, and to reduce excessive municipal and state burdens. I will promote affordable education and free enterprise, and visit each brick and mortar in the district. I will implement a new business network model. I intend to work with agencies to revise state building codes to accommodate emergency stand-alone power supply. I aim to develop emergency preparedness programs for every neighborhood, and a volunteer-driven animal recovery program. I will advocate for the introduction of vegetable gardens and fruit trees into urban and suburban parks, neighborhoods and open spaces.</td>
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<td><strong>Elected Experience:</strong></td>
<td>Washington State House of Representatives 2009-2012, Joint Committee on Veterans and Military Affairs (Executive Committee), Assistant Speaker Pro-Tempore</td>
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<td><strong>Other Professional Experience:</strong></td>
<td>Sole proprietor: consultant/grant writer. 20 years leadership experience working with city, county, state, federal government and foundations to promote the use of innovative practices for a better community.</td>
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<td><strong>Statement:</strong></td>
<td>As our Representative, Tina Orwell has built a record of leadership, demanding government accountability that maximizes investment in local priorities, including public schools, job training, small business growth, transportation solutions, and resources for veterans. Throughout her career, and now in Olympia, Tina has dedicated herself to helping families succeed during tough times. She has worked alongside fellow parents to strengthen schools so every child receives a quality education, established a fair process for homeowners to find resolution when faced with foreclosure, created jobs, and assisted local law enforcement to increase public safety. Let’s keep Tina in Olympia fighting for us!</td>
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### Legislative District No. 34

#### State Representative - Position 1

**William Giammarese**  
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** No previous elected experience

**Other Professional Experience:** Officer, U.S. Army, 1988-2008, Military Intelligence Corps, retiring with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel; Currently, a consultant on several projects with various federal agencies

**Education:** B.A., Political Science, Northern Illinois University, 1985

**Community Service:** Volunteer, Equal Rights Washington; Precinct Committee Officer, Dolphin Precinct, Vashon

**Statement:** I believe elections should be competitive and offer the voters a choice; too many have sacrificed too much to allow whom represents us be a forgone conclusion. I know representing you would be a privilege and not a long-term career, as electing new people with new ideas keeps our legislature vibrant and truly representative.

By asking others to sacrifice, representatives should do the same. If elected, I will return 10 percent of my salary to the Treasury. I strongly support marriage equality and guaranteed funding of our ferry system. Elect a new voice to Olympia! Your vote is appreciated.

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**Eileen L. Cody**  
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** State Representative 11th District, Position 1, 1994-2002; State Representative 34th District, Position 1, 2002-present

**Other Professional Experience:** Staff Nurse at Group Health Cooperative 1978 to present

**Education:** Associate Degree in Nursing, College of St Mary 1976; Bachelor of Science in Nursing, Criegton University, 1977

**Community Service:** Southwest Youth and Family Services, Current Board Member; West Seattle Helpline, Former Board Member; Multiple Sclerosis Association of King County, Former Board Member

**Statement:** As your state Representative I hope to continue my work on access to quality health care for all Washingtonians. We face challenging times, but no matter how the Supreme Court rules on the Affordable Care Act, we in Washington recognize that we must move forward with reducing the cost of health care while maintaining quality if we are going to remain competitive in a global market. We can not allow the cost of health care to continue to erode funding of the education of our children. We must commit to providing them both a quality education and quality healthcare.

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State Representative - Position 2

Joe Fitzgibbon
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: State Representative, 2010-present

Other Professional Experience: Legislative assistant

Education: BA, History & Political Science

Community Service: Chair, Burien Planning Commission

Statement: Thank you for the honor of representing you in Olympia. I prioritized protecting our environment, improving transportation including roads, buses, and ferries, and stopping cuts to education and the safety net. As vice chair of the Local Government Committee, I am working to provide tools for local governments to operate efficiently and focus on frontline services.

Although we passed a budget this year without cutting education, we have a long way to go to fully fund our public schools and universities. This will require reforming our broken tax structure so it is more sustainable and fair to the middle class.

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Reuven Carlyle
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: Citizen legislator since 2009

Other Professional Experience: Wireless, software, clean energy entrepreneur bringing leading-edge technologies to U.S. and international markets.

Education: Harvard University, John F. Kennedy School of Government, MPA; University of Massachusetts, BA.

Community Service: Co-founder, City Year AmeriCorp program enabling youth 17-24 to engage in full-time tutoring, mentoring and community service in public schools; Volunteer foster youth advocate; Married to physician Wendy Carlyle; Four terrific, funny, loud children attending Ballard and Queen Anne schools; Our active family is proud to participate in a wide range of social, educational, religious, recreational and community groups throughout Seattle.

Statement: I have worked hard to tackle tough public issues: reforming higher education while expanding middle class financial aid; bolstering foster youth scholarships; providing digital textbooks for students saving taxpayers millions; supporting common-sense small business regulatory relief; securing funding for Metro, Seattle Center, Taproot, Phinney Neighborhood Association and transportation projects. I’m a progressive, independent, fiscally responsible lawmaker respectfully asking for the honor of your vote.


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Robert Canamar
(States No Party Preference)

Elected Experience: I started at the protest at the Pacific Hotel at 4th and Marion in 1992, helped create the homeless shelter at the I.B.E.W. Hall on First Ave. at the same time that I was involved with negotiating with City Hall, the mayor, and helped in getting a housing authority to purchase the property at 4th and Marion. In 2003 became Ballard House Community Council President, and started getting into activism on a much larger scale.

Other Professional Experience: No information submitted

Education: No information submitted

Community Service: No information submitted

Statement: This past session in our state congress has shown all of us that the hindrance of legislation from being passed is the political games that both parties have been playing. I have been a Democrat all of my life, but this year, I am changing that. I have been a political activist for the past 20 years, and now I have reached the end of my rope. I have had enough. Have You? There is only so much polarity that we as citizens can endure before we erupt into another civil war.

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Legislative District No. 36

State Representative - Position 1

Leslie Klein
(Prefers (R) Hope&change Party)

**Elected Experience:** Precinct Committee Officer, 36th District Republicans for 12 years.

**Other Professional Experience:** Twenty years in United States Air Force. Managed the initial contracts for the electronic warfare system in the F-22 aircraft. Taught American Foreign Policy at UW in Seattle. I learned how to work effectively inside a bureaucracy such as the State Legislature while in the AF. Self employed small business owner for 20 years. Teaches adult continuing education classes at Bellevue College.

**Education:** BS Engineering Degree in Metallurgy; MS degree in Ceramic Engineering, Case Western University, Cleveland Ohio.

**Community Service:** Member Ballard District Council; Volunteer Nordic Heritage Museum; Endorsed by the 36th District Republicans

**Statement:** The incumbent is a member of the Establishment that implement deep budget cuts which unraveled education and eliminated social services for the working poor, seniors, homeless, and children. It is time for a better approach to helping people out of poverty. I will restore balanced budgets that have been absent. I will support programs that help keep us safe. I will support bills that will create jobs and reduce regulations on business, especially small businesses. I will restore hope and change in this state.

If you want real change, vote for me and send a message to the Ruling Establishment!!!

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Results for the primary election will be posted once on Election Day, August 7, at 8:15 p.m., and updated on subsequent weekdays at 4:30 p.m. until the election is certified on August 21. Results are posted on the King County Elections website.
**Gael Tarleton**
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** Currently serving my second term as Port Commissioner, I ran for office because the Port of Seattle was failing King County's citizens. I asked for your vote then because, together, I knew we’d reform the Port. Now as Commission President, I have implemented the reforms you expected as taxpayers. Thank you for the privilege of serving you.

**Other Professional Experience:** Research Advisor, University of Washington; Director, SAIC Global Technology; Senior Analyst, Defense Intelligence Agency.

**Education:** M.A., Government and National Security; B.S., Foreign Service, Georgetown University.

**Community Service:** Board President, Northwest Progressive Institute; Anti-Trafficking Task Force, UW Women’s Center; Vice President Al Gore’s Climate Change Commission.

**Statement:** You elected me twice to the Commission as a progressive, reform-minded Democrat. Now, I’m running for State Representative to continue creating and protecting jobs while safeguarding our environment and increasing access to higher education and health care. As Commissioner, I’ve helped create more than 7,000 jobs through critical public works projects; advocated for labor; and led real reforms for clean, green trade. I’ve secured millions of dollars for UW.

Endorsements: retiring 36th District Representative Mary Lou Dickerson; Executive Board, 36th District Democrats; King County Democrats; Metropolitan Democratic Club; labor and business groups; environmental leaders; 100 percent Pro-Choice rating, NARAL.

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**Sahar Fathi**
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** First time candidate

**Other Professional Experience:** Author, Gonzaga Law Review's "Race and Social Justice as a Budget Filter: The Solution to Racial Bias; in the State Legislature?" Legislative Aide and lead policy staff on homelessness, immigrant and refugee issues, public safety, civil rights, energy, green jobs and the city budget for Councilmember Mike O'Brien. Founder and Chair, Middle Eastern Legal Association Legal Clinic. Legal Clerk, United Nations International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda.

**Education:** B.A., University of Southern California. J.D. and Master’s Degree in International Studies, University of Washington. International Law Diploma, Universite Jean-Moulin, Lyon, France.

**Community Service:** Boardmember, Northwest Immigrant Rights Project. Boardmember, ACLU-Washington.

**Statement:** Government works best when all people are represented and have a voice at the table. I have worked directly with the homeless in Ballard, fought for the rights of women and immigrants within our legal system, and crafted policies that help low-income people stay on their feet. I have direct experience working with, and for, those who are not traditionally represented.

I’m honored to have been elected the official Democratic Nominee for the 36th. Endorsements include: UFCW21; KC Dems; Representatives Bob Hasegawa and Sharon Tomiko Santos; Councilmembers Nick Licata, Mike O’Brien and Bruce Harrell. Please vote Sahar Fathi for House!

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Ryan Gabriel
(Prefers Republican Party)

**Elected Experience:** No information submitted

**Other Professional Experience:** Regional Manager, Finance

**Education:** New York University - Leonard N. Stern School of Business, Bachelor of Science

**Community Service:** 36th District Caucus Secretary, GOP; Member, Cascade Land Conservancy; Member, Washington Environmental Council

**Statement:**
Seattle needs a fiscal realist to fight for its unique needs. I will use my financial experience to work for a sustainable budget - clearing the way for job growth - and demand more effective education spending.

I will fight to ensure we as Seattle residents / taxpayers are not left alone with the burden of cost overruns for the Alaskan Way Viaduct Tunnel and Seawall Replacement projects. I will continue progress for clean waterways and Puget Sound restoration - an absolute priority for our waterfront. I ask for your vote. Together we can change the way Olympia views our District’s sensibility and seriousness.

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Evan Clifthorne
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** Evan Clifthorne has not been elected to office, but is the only candidate in this race with direct experience working in the Washington State Legislature on public policy, communications and constituent services.

**Other Professional Experience:** Legislative Aide in the Washington State Senate; Outreach Director at the Mosaic Foundation, a non-profit organization dedicated to improving the lives of women and children around the world; Teaching Assistant, Lummi Nation School; Professional Photographer.

**Education:** BA in Political Science, Western Washington University; AA Degree, Whatcom Community College

**Community Service:** My partner Kendall and I are personally engaged in the humane treatment of animals, environmental conservation, and sustainable local agriculture.

**Statement:**
As a legislative aide in the Washington State Senate, I've seen firsthand the impact lawmakers have on our everyday lives. I understand the challenges we face in Seattle and throughout our state. I have the knowledge and experience to meet these challenges and move us forward.

We can balance budgets through equity and accountability. We can build an education system that gives all of Washington’s children the chance to become debt-free graduates - innovators in a sustainable economy that operates in harmony with our natural resources. I am prepared to serve, and ready to lead us into that future.

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Linde Knighton  
(Prefers Progressive Party)

**Elected Experience:** Not yet.

**Other Professional Experience:** Heart of America NW (Hanford Cleanup); Wenpac; Washington State NARAL; 5th Avenue Theatre; Seattle Symphony; Teacher, Native American Heritage classes; Substitute teacher, Meridian, Idaho; Title Searcher/Real Estate Tax searcher; Certified--Home Health Care Aide; Grant Researcher, Whitman County Alcohol Center.

**Education:** Boise State University, BA plus graduate classes, history

**Community Service:** Chair, Progressive Party - Washington; Member, Sisters Organize for Survival (Tax reform group); Founding member, Third Party Coalition (working across political spectrum for ballot access for third parties.); Third Party candidate for state legislature, 2002, 2006; garnered up to 21% of the vote; Site Board, Seattle Indian Heritage High School

**Statement:** As a Progressive Party member, I am not obligated to either the Democratic or Republican parties, which gives me the freedom to represent you. I support tax reform that lifts the burden from the low and middle-income. I support immediate closure of all corporate tax exemptions, which would provide much needed funding for education, health care, and social services for those in real need.

I support equality, regardless of gender, race, religion, sexual orientation, political party, or age. I also support legalizing marijuana, ending corporate personhood, and eliminating the double standard that protects rogue police officers from prosecution.

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Brett Phillips  
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** Precinct Committee Officer, 36th District Democrats

**Other Professional Experience:** Director of Sustainability for Seattle-based Unico Properties leading energy retrofit and conservation projects for one of the largest green building portfolios in the country; co-founder and board chair of Seattle 2030 District, a White House recognized public-private partnership making Seattle carbon neutral in affiliation with the President’s Better Buildings Challenge.

**Education:** B.A., College of William & Mary, majors in Government and Business Finance; M.B.A., Seattle University, candidate

**Community Service:** King County Conservation Voters, board member; Downtown Seattle Association Strategic Planning Task Force; King County Executive Ron Sims’ Global Warming Task Force; BOMA Alternative Transportation Committee.

**Statement:** Too often, political stalemate in Olympia holds us back. I’ll bring effective, energetic leadership focused on environmental sustainability, women’s rights, LGBT families, and the vulnerable. I’ll champion fully funding education and reduce costly tuition increases. I’ll stimulate our economy with clean energy solutions and tirelessly advocate for social justice.

As a fourth generation Seattleite, I’m putting our values into action—bringing unions, businesses, and conservationists together to create jobs, promote sustainability, and spur new industries. Endorsements include: WA State Labor Council, King County Labor Council, CASE (Seattle Chamber of Commerce), and prominent environmentalists. I’m a NARAL 100% Pro-Choice candidate.

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State Representative - Position 2

Noel Christina Frame
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: Precinct Committee Officer

Other Professional Experience: Progressive Majority State Director - recruiting and electing progressive candidates; Approve R71 Deputy Campaign Manager - expanding civil rights for gays and lesbians; Washington State Democrats Field Director; Consultant to Seattle Public Schools and Alliance for Education; Legislative Correspondent for U.S. Senator Maria Cantwell

Education: George Washington University, B.A. and M.A. with focus in public and education policy; 13 scholarships including Washington State PTA

Community Service: 36th District Democrats political director; Washington Bus founding board member to engage young people politically; Leadership Tomorrow graduate; King County Conservation Voters board member; Hamilton Middle and Ballard High Schools PTAs; foster parent

Statement: Noel grew up counting on public education as her family struggled to make ends meet. After failing school levies devastated her schools, she earned scholarships for college, and got involved to make a difference. She’ll put education first by 1) reducing tuition at state universities and colleges, 2) funding job training at community and technical colleges, 3) reducing dropouts and the achievement gap, and 4) investing in early education and full day kindergarten.

Noel is the only candidate endorsed by Progressive Majority and Washington Education Association; and also King County Democrats, and the King County and Washington State Labor Councils.

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State Representative - Position 1

Sharon Tomiko Santos
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: Washington House of Representatives: Chair, Education Committee; Member, Education Appropriations and Oversight Committee; Member, Community and Economic Development & Housing Committee; Chair, Washington State Education Opportunity Gap Accountability and Oversight Committee; Member, Washington State Investment Board; Chair, National Conference of State Legislatures Task Force on Immigration

Other Professional Experience: Non-profit management and start-up for local and national organizations; Local government policy and community relations; Customer service and banking operations

Education: Graduate, Franklin High School, Seattle, WA; B.A., Evergreen State College, Olympia, WA; M.A., Northeastern University, Boston, MA

Community Service: YMCA Youth and Government; Japanese American Citizens League; Seattle University College of Arts and Sciences Leadership Council

Statement: I am honored to serve the diverse communities where I learned that government must adhere firmly to the democratic ideals that strengthen this nation. This is why I am committed to improving public education for all students, promoting economic development that benefits everyone, and, above all, safeguarding our universal civil rights. I champion efforts to raise resources for equity and excellence for students and schools. I hold public agencies accountable for equal opportunities for women and minority business contracts. I defend marriage equality in Washington state. I am proud to represent our 37th District and ask for your support.

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State Representative - Position 2

Tamra Smilanich
(Prefers Non-partisan Party)

**Elected Experience:** Chair of Othello Neighborhood Association, chair of growing political organization, P.C.O.

**Other Professional Experience:** Private contractor in public and private schools. Negotiator of housing contracts, rental and purchase. Worked for Parks and Recreation, the non-profit Atlantic Street Center organization (helping families and children) and private business in real estate and the hospitality industry.


**Community Service:** Neighborhood Association Chair, Citizen Respondent to City Council hearings and forums, member of NAR, WAR and SKAR.

**Statement:** From my community involvement, our changing neighborhoods need representation. Livable communities need jobs (to decrease crime) and good schools. Old Government borrows and spends for special interest developers and planners, resulting in poor streets, limited public facilities hours and high rents due to diversion of revenue. Old Government continues to strain vital service programs, people’s retirement accounts and working class paychecks.

Unfunded mandates restrict educators’ flexibility to teach our diverse students. My experience with schools reaffirms basic education is fundamental. Time for new government; Respecting the voice of the People, reprioritizing the budget and continuing to protect our civil rights.

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Eric Pettigrew
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** Elected Washington State House of Representatives November 2002-Present, Majority Caucus Chair 2011-Present

**Other Professional Experience:** Public Policy Specialist, The Children’s Alliance; Deputy Chief of Staff for Public Safety, Mayor Norman Rice; Director of Emergency Management, City of Seattle

**Education:** Oregon State University – BS, Sociology, Counseling Psychology; University of Washington – MSW, Business Administration Certification

**Community Service:** President, Rainier Chamber of Commerce; Coach, Little League Baseball and Basketball; Board member, ACT Theatre; 2011 Angels in Adoption Award; 2010 Distinguished Alumni Award, UW School of Social Work; 2009 Champion for Children Award, Children’s Alliance; 2007 Urban League Spirit Award; Ike Ikeda Public Service Award

**Statement:** Some think we can’t do anything in Olympia to help in tough times, but I believe now we must fight harder than ever to help those who need it most.

As your State Representative, I’ve passed legislation that protects kids, helps working families, and expands economic opportunity. This year when most thought cuts were the only option, I secured $3 million dollars to help our school district give our kids an equal opportunity to succeed and compete for the best jobs in this global economy. I’ll continue to fight for our community and values. I ask for your vote.

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Legislative District No. 43

State Representative - Position 1

Kshama Sawant

(Prefers Socialist Altern Party)

Elected Experience: I’ve never been a corporate politician. I’m a working-class activist.

Other Professional Experience: I teach economics at Seattle Central Community College and Seattle University.

Education: B.S. in Computer Science, University of Mumbai. Ph.D. in Economics, North Carolina State University.

Community Service: I’m a member of AFT union local 1789 and will continue fighting the massive budget cuts to public education. I’ve been actively involved in organizing peaceful Occupy Wall Street protests. I’m an organizer with Socialist Alternative which fights for workers, people of color, and the environment. I also helped organized the 2009 local LGBTQ Equality March and protests for women’s rights.

Statement: Since the recession, the Democratic Party-majority state government has slashed $10.5 billion from education, healthcare, and human services. Meanwhile, rich corporations were handed over 500 tax exemptions, totaling $6.5 billion/year in lost revenue - enough to reverse all cuts and expand services. If elected, I’ll consistently argue for a massive green jobs program and expanding public transit, education, healthcare, and housing. To fund these programs, we should tax the corporate elite. Vote for me and help build a movement and a new party that will fight the richest 1%, and defend workers, women, LGBTQ people, and people of color.

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Jamie Pedersen

(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: State Representative, 43rd District (elected 2006, reelected twice).


Education: Puyallup High School, Yale College and Yale Law School.

Community Service: Jamie and his partner, Eric Pedersen, a former high school teacher and assistant principal, are the proud parents of four boys: Trygve, Leif, Erik and Anders. They live on Capitol Hill.

Statement: As House Judiciary Committee Chair, Representative Jamie Pedersen fought for us – defending family planning, reproductive choice and access to healthcare, winning marriage equality and parentage rights for all families, protecting education funding, creating social purpose corporations that let businesses put people and the environment before profits, protecting neighborhoods from 520 construction, and organizing the legal challenge to Tim Eyman’s Initiative 1053, which requires supermajority approval to close unfair tax loopholes.


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Legislative District No. 43

State Representative - Position 2

Frank Chopp
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** State Representative from 1995 to now. Speaker of the Washington State House of Representatives from 1999 to now (including three years as Co-Speaker).

**Other Professional Experience:** Advisor at Solid Ground, a non-profit organization, formerly known as the Fremont Public Association, which provides a wide array of social services to thousands of low-income people.

**Education:** BA Degree, University of Washington. National Merit Finalist, East High School in Bremerton.

**Community Service:** Over 35 years of community service, including as Executive Director of the Fremont Public Association for many years. Numerous awards for public and community service.

**Statement:** As the Democratic nominee for this position, I ask for your vote. As Speaker of the Washington State House of Representatives, I built a constructive majority that enacted a progressive agenda focused on education, health care, and jobs.

In the 2012 session, we approved a $1 billion Jobs Now Act creating over 20,000 new jobs; adopted a budget with no further cuts to education; saved the safety net including Apple Health for all Kids, Basic Health Plan, and Disability Lifeline; began to implement the Opportunity Scholarship program for financial aid to low and moderate students, and enacted Marriage Equality.

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Gregory Gadow
(States No Party Preference)

**Elected Experience:** none

**Other Professional Experience:** Fifteen years experience as a computer and web programmer. Holds Series 7 (General Securities Representative) and Series 66 (Uniform Combined State Law) licenses in the financial securities industry. Washington Notary Public since 2002.

**Education:** Associate of Arts in Mathematics, College of the Sequoias, Visalia, California.

**Community Service:** Coordinated Initiative 957 campaign in 2007. Community Advisory Board for the Seattle HIV Vaccine Trials Unit since 2010.

**Statement:** As an independent, Gregory will challenge the “business as usual” that puts profits and special interests ahead of the people. As a progressive, he will work to repeal the corporate tax breaks that cost this state billions in lost revenue every year and restore funding to education, public health, law enforcement and social services. As your representative, he will represent your values: equality, justice and pride in our community.

Vote for change. Vote for Gregory Gadow.

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State Senator

David Frockt
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: Washington State House of Representatives in 2011; Appointed to the Washington State Senate in 2012

Other Professional Experience: Legislative Aide U.S. House of Representatives; Founding Attorney, Bergman, Draper & Ladenburg PLLC; Associate Attorney, Riddell Williams P.S.; Marketing-Public Affairs, WCT Communications; Research Assistant, University of California, San Francisco, School of Public Health.


Community Service: Education Finance Legislative Task Force 2012; Joint Select Committee on Health Care Reform Implementation, 2011-2012; Board Member Innovate Washington (Public Private Partnership To Promote Emerging Washington Companies); Former Board Member Puget Soundkeeper Alliance

Statement: During my first term, I tried to stay out of the partisanship and sideshows to get things done. I worked on saving our college work-study program and providing better information to students on their potential debt burdens. I led Washington to become the first state in the country to ban carcinogenic asphalt products that were hazards to human health and our urban waters. I helped pass legislation to provide more fairness from large financial institutions for homeowners and our poorest citizens. I passed legislation to improve our state’s childcare investment and to protect domestic violence victims. I worked for women’s health and our social safety net. I brought landlord and tenant groups together to broker the formerly stalemated Fair Tenant Screening Act. I helped secure funds to renovate three local schools to try to alleviate overcrowding issues. I fought for North Seattle Community College, Children’s Hospital and transit options for Seattle.

Future goals: Restore higher education funding and train our workforce for the emerging jobs in our tech and life science sectors; Fulfill our constitutional obligation to fund k-12 education; Provide health security for all Washingtonians including our 1 million uninsured. I respectfully ask for your vote.

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Sylvester Cann
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** Elected Precinct Committee Officer in the 46th District.

**Other Professional Experience:** Network design team at Verizon Communication; Commercial Real Estate Valuation Analyst in Capital Markets with Cushman & Wakefield Global; House and Senate staff to Honorable Scott White; currently with education non-profit focused on improving education in Seattle and South King County.

**Education:** 2004 University of Washington Alumni; Bachelors of Science in Applied Computational Mathematical Sciences; minor in Mathematics.

**Community Service:** King County Conservation Voters Board (of Washington Conservation Voters); Seattle City Light Review Panel Member; Tabor 100 Government Affairs Chair; Central Area Motivation Program Strategic Planning Chair; Alliance for Education Facilitator; Seattle Schools Youth Mentor.

**Statement:** A UW educated engineer and first in his family to attend college, Sylvester knows the transformative power of public education. A former aide to late 46th Senator Scott White, Sylvester joined a non-profit boosting achievement in struggling schools. Sylvester combines policy expertise, private sector experience and new energy to reach our potential for a strong economy, great schools, a world class UW, and environmental protection. Sylvester is 100% pro-choice.

State Labor Council; Metropolitan Seattle Chamber; League of Education Voters; Senator Ed Murray; Executives Dow Constantine, Ron Sims; Councilmembers Burgess, Harrell; numerous legislators; environmental and community leaders agree: **Yes We Cann!**

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Gerry Pollet
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** State Representative (appointed Dec. 2011)

**Other Professional Experience:** University of Washington, School of Public Health, clinical instructor; Public Interest Attorney, Director, Heart of America Northwest, citizen’s group for Hanford cleanup

**Education:** University of Washington, School of Law

**Community Service:** Community Service Award Winner 2010, UW School of Public Health; PTSA, active volunteer in schools 15+ years, a leader of efforts to reduce school overcrowding; Washington Coalition for Open Government, Officer; Chair, Budget and Contracts Oversight Committee, Hanford Advisory Board, (elected 12 times) overseeing budgets for nation’s largest public works project; Seattle City Light Strategic Plan Advisory Committee; Drafted, led efforts passing many environmental, consumer protection laws.

**Statement:** I ask to continue as your State Representative to make our tax system more fair, champion schools, protect our environment and consumers.

For thirty years, I’ve stood up to special interests to do what’s right. As Director of Heart of America Northwest, I lead efforts to stop Hanford from being a radioactive waste dump. I’ve spent years working to improve public schools. In my first session, I led efforts to eliminate tax loopholes, pass the “Toxic Free Kids Act,” end predatory towing rates, preserve college aid. **Democratic Party Nominee**, endorsed: Labor Council, NARAL, our teachers, environmental leaders, Councilmember Bob Ferguson.

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State Representative - Position 2

Jessyn Farrell
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** None

**Other Professional Experience:** Known for bringing people together, I’ve moved the region forward on transportation. As Executive Director of Transportation Choices Coalition, I led efforts to break through political gridlock, unleashing over $25 billion in transit, bike, and pedestrian investments in Washington State. I will bring this energy and effectiveness to all the issues we care about, like education and the environment. I’ve also worked as an attorney (Pierce Transit and WashPIRG) and a teacher (Youth Tutoring Program).

**Education:** Boston College Law School; University of Washington; Shoreline public schools (Lake Forest Park Elementary, Kellogg, and Shorecrest).

**Community Service:** Sound Transit Citizen Oversight Panel; Americorps Volunteer

**Statement:** “I’m a regional transportation leader, environmental champion, lawyer, and mom with proven problem-solving skills, executive experience, and passion for public service. I believe we can reach our potential as a community when we invest in great public schools, affordable higher education, transit-friendly neighborhoods, and our diverse economic base. I will defend family planning and health care access for all.”

Raised in Lake Forest Park and NE Seattle, a public school and UW graduate, Jessyn is endorsed by Washington Conservation Voters; Democrats including Executive Dow Constantine, Councilmembers Sally Bagshaw, Mike O’Brien, Tim Burgess; and former State Senator Nita Rinehart.

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Dusty Hoerler
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** First-Time Candidate

**Other Professional Experience:** Co-Founder, Project Manager, and Past Board Member, SustainableWorks; Past Member, Green Building Task Force, City of Seattle; Member, Plumbers and Pipefitters UA Local 32; Past Member, Seattle Public Utilities Sounding Board

**Education:** Harvard Trade Union Executive Leadership Program, Harvard University; Five-Year Pipe Trades Apprenticeship Program

**Community Service:** 2009 Rising Star Award, Washington State Labor Council; Volunteer Advocate for Homeowners Facing Foreclosure; Volunteer, PSLA Food Bank; Outreach Committee and Member, 46th District Democrats

**Statement:** It’s time to roll up our sleeves. As a union plumber, I understand the value of hard work and practical solutions. I’ll focus on what matters: Jobs, education, and long-term stability of our communities. I’ll fight against cuts to education, because there’s no better way to build a solid economy than investing in kids.

I get things done. I co-founded SustainableWorks, a nonprofit that helps homeowners save money and protect the environment by making homes energy efficient. Together, we can bring kitchen-table common sense back to Olympia. Endorsed by Washington Education Association and many local businesses.

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Legislative District No. 46

State Representative - Position 2

Scott M. Hodges
(Prefers Republican Party)

Elected Experience: I have been elected and have served as a Delegate to the District and State Party Conventions.

Other Professional Experience: I have written about recoveries from recessions, and am in the process of writing an article regarding what must be done in order for the US to reverse the trajectory of the National Debt.

Education: Completing a double degree at University of Washington in Economics and Political Science. Additionally, I am learning Chinese, which is one of the most important global languages.

Community Service: As a resident of the Maple Leaf Neighborhood, I am excited to help in the fulfillment of the vision for Reservoir Park.

Statement: The US National Debt is eating away our collective wealth, and I believe nothing is more important than for citizens to become involved at every level of the political process. This is why I have declared my candidacy. How else could I, in good conscience, encourage others to become involved as well? I am running to win, but winning is not the only thing at stake, as it takes momentum to make a movement. Even if you don’t vote for me, join me! Democrat, Republican, or Independent: stand up as an active participant. Get involved. You can make a difference!

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Shelly Crocker
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Elected Experience: No information submitted


Community Service: I proudly volunteer with many civic organizations tackling homelessness. I’m a board director of Building Changes, which works with groups delivering services to homeless populations. I’ve served with the Puget Sound Jewish Coalition on Homelessness and volunteer with Teen Feed.

Statement: As a small business owner, attorney and mother, I believe we can do better when it comes to fixing our failed financial system and unfair tax structure. My career has been largely devoted to protecting consumers and small businesses that face bankruptcy, foreclosure or crushing debt because I see firsthand how this broken system is ruining the lives of hard working people. I want to go to Olympia to fight for consumer protection, higher education, health care and housing.

Endorsed by: Seattle City Attorney Pete Holmes, State Representatives Ruth Kagi and Cindy Ryu, and several LGBT leaders, including Anne Levinson.

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State Representative - Position 2

Sarajane Siegfriedt  
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** Democratic PCO, 2003-Present

**Other Professional Experience:** Zurich Insurance, Public Relations Director; Illinois Bell, business sales, marketing; Boeing Network Services, Marketing Rep., Training Administrator; Multifaith Works (AIDS Housing), Interim Administrator; Disability Resource Center, Manager; United Way of King County, Loaned Executive; Washington Public Campaigns, Lobbyist; Association of Alcohol & Addiction Programs, Executive Director/Lobbyist

**Education:** Master of Management, BS Journalism – Northwestern University

**Community Service:** King County Board of Equalization, Member (Current); Solid Ground Board Member, Secretary; King County Democrats Legislative Action Chair; WA Low-Income Housing Alliance, State Legislative Comm.; Interfaith Task Force on Homelessness Board; WA Unitarian Universalist Voices for Justice Board; Habitat for Humanity

**Statement:** Sarajane Siegfriedt understands this economy and the state’s role in restoring the American dream. She will scrutinize tax breaks for corporations, and use her experience in housing to invest in families and our communities. Sarajane will work to amply fund education. She knows that early childhood education is the best investment we can make. Sarajane’s compassion and breadth of community service are unmatched. **Sarajane Siegfriedt will always stand up for our neighborhoods, our families, and our future.**

Endorsements: King County and 46th District Democrats (sole endorsement); former Sen. Ken Jacobsen, Sen. Maralyn Chase, Reps. Ruth Kagi and Phyllis Kenney.

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Stan Lippmann  
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**Elected Experience:** No information submitted


**Community Service:** US Census 2010 Crew Leader, Seattle.

**Statement:** I was inspired as a young man by the gas lines in 1973 to solve the energy crisis, and so I became a boundary plasma physicist. Now, after four decades of all of our hard work, the World looks much brighter. We are on the verge of energy revolution. Free energy may be just around the corner. Even solar panels on your roof make sense. So what does Government do? Impose a tariff. “There is a Destiny which has the control of our actions, not to be resisted by the strongest efforts of Human Nature.” George Washington 12/9/1758

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### Douglas W. McQuaid

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**Other Professional Experience:** Owner/manager of private businesses (1996 - Present).


**Community Service:** Numerous hours devoted to pro bono legal services; Volunteer in self-help organizations for drug/alcohol addicts (2006 - Present); I belong to numerous community and charitable organizations.

**Statement:** As a true Washingtonian, I was born, lived and worked my entire life in this state. I interrupted my legal education to serve as a combat infantry soldier in the Vietnam War (1969-1970) and was awarded numerous combat medals. Upon return from the war, I completed my legal education at Willamette and came back to my home in Bellevue and began my legal career. I have 40 years experience practicing in most areas of the law in the state of Washington.

Based on my long and varied legal career, I am the best qualified candidate to hold the position of Supreme Court Justice. I am not an advocate for any individual cause or person. I will be impartial, unbiased, independent to serve all the people of this state equally with dignity and respect. *Money, politics and justice don’t mix.* I will not solicit donations or endorsements from any organization with a special interest as it could appear to corrupt the independence and non-partisanship of the office.

I will be *rigorously honest* in deciding all cases coming before me and apply the Constitution and laws *strictly* as written to the facts of each case.

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### Susan Owens

**Legal/Judicial Experience:** Susan Owens joined the Washington State Supreme court in 2000 after serving nineteen years as District Court Judge in Western Clallam County. She also served as the Quileute Tribe’s Chief Judge for five years and Chief Judge of the Lower Elwha S’Klallam Tribe for six years.

**Other Professional Experience:** Justice Owens serves on the Rules Committee, the Bench-Bar-Press Committee, and the Board for Judicial Administration.

**Education:** Duke University (1971); University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, (J.D. 1975.)

**Community Service:** Justice Owens has offered decades of community service to our citizens and the issues she is passionate about. Please see www.JusticeSusanOwens.com for complete biography.

**Statement:** “I bring proven experience and an important perspective to the Supreme Court. I’m a longtime rural judge, mother and independent voice for common sense rulings that respect our rights, our privacy—and our Constitution.”

A judge for 31 years, Supreme Court Justice Susan Owens has served with integrity, independence and a strong commitment to your Constitutional rights. Prior to being elected to the Supreme Court in 2000, Justice Owens served on the Clallam County District Court for nearly two decades. Known for balanced, common sense rulings, she earned a national reputation teaching judges how to enforce tougher domestic violence laws.

One of the most productive Justices, authoring numerous important opinions on complex cases, Justice Owens has served with honor and the respect of her peers. Her plain interpretations of the law are rooted in common sense, free of bias, and seek to respect your rights and privacy.

Justice Owens has never held partisan office. A seasoned judge when she joined the court, she has earned the respect and endorsements of judges statewide, advocates for women, crime victims, working families and law enforcement. Justice Owens has earned high ratings and deserves your vote. Re-elect Justice Susan Owens.

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Justice Position No. 2

Scott Stafne


Other Professional Experience: Maritime and fisheries expert and advisor to Pacific and North Pacific fisheries management councils

Education: Graduated Phi Beta Kappa DePauw University (summa cum laude 1971); Juris Doctorate Degree University of Iowa (summa cum laude 1974); Masters of Law and Marine Affairs from University of Washington (1977). ACE certified in 1993.

Community Service: Pro Bono Community Service including four years challenging Seattle School District school closures. Owner, Peregrine Falcon Rookery/Reserve, most successful in the nation.

Statement: Scott Stafne believes our high court needs a fresh voice with a depth of legal experience that can restore better legal interpretations to our judicial system. Currently he takes great issue with the Supreme Court for not following their own rules, accepting poor Court of Appeals decisions they do not challenge, and issuing poor judgments without adequately stating their reasons.

Scott Stafne is a lawyer’s lawyer – with more experience in diverse aspects of the law than the Justice he’s opposing who’s been on the high court for 12 years. His experience includes constitutional law, land use, marine resources, personal injury, municipal and school systems law, admiralty law and much more.

He has spent his career defending their rights against banks, insurance companies, municipalities, and government. Among his most reported cases: the firefighter killed in the Fortymile fire outside Wenatchee; parents challenging the 2009 Seattle School Closures and student assignment plan, hundreds of recent clients faced with illegal foreclosures and credit problems, and thousands of pro bono hours for people who could not afford an attorney.

Scott says: “It’s time to shake up the Supreme Court with people who have more depth of legal experience than they have an agenda.”

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Bruce O. Danielson

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Other Professional Experience: Business owner, manager, and work as a laborer prior to law school enhances my insight as to how our State’s laws affect property and individual rights.

Education: BA Wichita State University 1979; JD University of Kansas 1984; Rule 9 Attorney Douglas county Legal Aid Clinic KS; WA St. Bar 1984

Community Service: Community volunteer.

Statement: The Washington Supreme Court is often a citizen’s Court of last resort and has the final say on issues of Washington law. The U.S. Constitution and Washington State’s Constitution are the ultimate laws upon which decisions must be made. The Constitution should not be a living, breathing document that changes with the whims of the Court in response to politics or popular demand. The Constitution is the bedrock when deciding cases. Judges should be elected without influence from a political party or special interest group. Voters should not settle for a judge who has been appointed by the most partisan office of the State. Nor should a judicial candidate be allowed to purchase an election through contributions from special interest groups and/or attorneys whose cases could be the subject of that Judge’s rulings. As a Supreme Court justice, I will insure fundamental constitutional principals are not offended or altered for the sake of accommodating prevailing popular sentiment. I am not afraid to challenge prior case law that misapplies fundamental constitutional principals and rights. My tenure in the Supreme Court will be one free of special interest associations or the politics that can call into question Judge’s impartiality.

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Steve Gonzalez

Legal/Judicial Experience: Current Supreme Court Justice. Ten years as a King County Superior Court Judge. Practiced criminal and civil law as an Assistant US Attorney, a Domestic Violence Prosecutor in Seattle, and an Associate at Hillis Clark Martin & Peterson.

Other Professional Experience: Chair, Access to Justice Board. Chair, Court Security Committee. National instructor on international terrorism prosecution.


Community Service: Regularly mentors minority and low-income students and speaks on the importance of public education and understanding our judicial process.

Statement: Justice Steve Gonzalez is a husband and father with a long and distinguished career serving the people of Washington. Before joining the Supreme Court, Steve spent a decade as King County Superior Court Judge, where he earned the respect of attorneys, jurors, and litigants. Steve is passionate about justice for all.

Before becoming a judge, Justice Gonzalez was a federal and municipal prosecutor, prosecuting terrorism, identity theft, and domestic violence. He also worked as a business attorney and regularly provided free legal services for people who could not pay.

Justice Gonzalez has received numerous awards and recognition as a jurist, including “Outstanding Judge of the Year” from the Washington State Bar and the “Vanguard Award” from KC Washington Women Lawyers. He is rated “exceptionally well qualified” by nine professional and civic organizations.

Justice Gonzalez is overwhelmingly endorsed by: All the State Supreme Court Justices; 250 judges across the state; Congressman Jay Inslee and Attorney General Rob McKenna; the State Labor Council and Association of Washington Business; Republican and Democratic Legislative Districts; the State Council of Firefighters and Patrol Troopers; Lenny Wilkens, Anne Levinson, Tomio Moriguchi, Sal Mungia, Governor Dan Evans, Judge Charles V. Johnson (ret.), and thousands more.

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Justice Position No. 9

Bruce Hilyer

Legal/Judicial Experience: Judge Bruce Hilyer has served on the King County Superior Court since 2000; Presiding Judge 2008-2010.

Other Professional Experience: Judge Hilyer began his career as a deputy prosecutor under Norm Maleng, then served as counsel to Mayor Charles Royer. Worked in private practice 1985-2000, representing individuals and small businesses in civil, environmental, and health care cases. Appointed to the Superior Court in 2000 by Governor Locke.

Education: BA in Government (Cornell), JD with High Honors (UW Law School).


Statement: Serving on the Superior Court since 2000, Judge Bruce Hilyer was Presiding Judge of Washington’s largest court system 2008-2010 and received King County Bar Association’s 2010 “Judge of the Year” award. To make access to the courts more affordable, Hilyer lead his court to become the first to implement electronic filing-saving taxpayers millions while conserving resources and preventing cuts in both jobs and services.

Judge Hilyer has the highest judicial ratings, including “Exceptionally Well Qualified” by the State Prosecutors Association and other independent rating groups. Hilyer is endorsed by 8 former Justices, 150+ judges statewide, State Labor Council, State Troopers Association, NARAL, Prosecutors, Sheriffs, Democrats, Republicans, and hundreds of citizens.


"I believe that my trial court experience will strengthen the Supreme Court. Judicial experience is critical to appreciate the human impacts of the law, to make the most efficient use of court resources and to recognize that effective law enforcement and civil liberties are both important." -Judge Bruce Hilyer

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Sheryl Gordon McCloud

Legal/Judicial Experience: Extensive trial and appellate experience; hundreds of arguments to the Washington State Supreme Court and other appeals courts. Teaches Supreme Court advocacy to law students and practicing lawyers.

Other Professional Experience: Service on Supreme Court committees and statewide and national organizations promoting meaningful access to the judicial system. Obtained significant court rulings establishing our right to courtrooms open to the public and press, pregnancy disability leave, and fair mortgage practices.

Education: J.D., University of Southern California Law Center, Editor, Southern California Law Review; B.A., State University of New York, cum laude

Community Service: Gynecological Cancer Foundation and youth art and sports activities while raising two sons

Statement: Supreme Court Justices must be people who appreciate the effect of their decisions on ordinary people. As a former union member who is married to an educator and is the mother of two, Sheryl McCloud understands the concerns of women and working families and will bring that connection to the Supreme Court bench.

For 28 years, Sheryl has been defending our Constitutional rights in the Washington Supreme Court and other appellate courts and is the best qualified candidate for this position. Lawyers nationwide seek her expertise and advice.

Sheryl McCloud has a proven record of commitment to communities of color and a long history of providing free legal assistance to those who lack the ability to pay - those who would be without meaningful access to justice without her help. In one of her first volunteer cases, she helped successfully defend a woman’s right to pregnancy disability leave in the U.S. Supreme Court. She’s not a career politician, but an experienced appellate lawyer who will bring to the court an unparalleled depth of experience.

Endorsements: King County Democratic Central Committee; James Bible; Rev. Dr. Carey Anderson (of First AME Church); Larry Gossett; Estela Ortega; NARAL Pro-Choice Washington; others at www.mccloudforjustice.com

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Richard B. Sanders

Legal/Judicial Experience: I served on the Supreme Court until 2011, first elected in 1995; and reelected in 1998 and 2004. I wrote more opinions than any other current Justice. Before that, I practiced law for 26 years. I also served as an adjunct professor teaching appellate advocacy at the UW School of Law, and guest lectured on state constitutional law at Seattle University.

Other Professional Experience: I am an Eagle Scout and played for the University of Washington in the Rose Bowl. (French horn!)

Education: B.S. and J.D., University of Washington

Community Service: I frequently lectured and wrote many legal articles and opinion pieces explaining our constitutional rights.

Statement: Why has Justice Tom Chambers endorsed Richard Sanders to take his seat on the Court? Because he knows Richard is a person of unquestioned integrity, devoted to protecting the rights of all citizens.

Article 1, Section 1 of our constitution states: “governments...are established to protect and maintain individual rights.” I believe that's also the job description of a Supreme Court Justice: we must look out for the “little guy” and protect citizen rights. Sometimes this makes me seem conservative, as when I support property rights, and sometimes it makes me seem liberal, as when I fight for free speech and personal rights to privacy. But I am consistent: we have rights the government must not violate.

Thomas Jefferson said the God who gave us life gave us liberty as well. It's a good thought to remember. I have support that cuts across the spectrum, with endorsements including: the State Republican and Libertarian Parties; legislators; judges and civil libertarians— and more than 1,000 endorsers, including the Association of Washington Business and Washington Realtors.

Richard Sanders has earned our support and protected our rights. Vote to return Sanders to the Supreme Court.

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John W. Ladenburg

Legal/Judicial Experience: 15 years private civil and criminal defense trial attorney. 14 years as elected Pierce County Prosecutor. Since 1974, experience trying the highest-level cases in criminal and civil law.

Other Professional Experience: Former elected Pierce County Executive, Chair of Sound Transit, Chair of Regional Council of Governments, Tacoma City Councilmember, Chair of Puget Sound Economic Development Board,

Education: BA Political Science, Gonzaga University; Juris Doctor, Gonzaga Law School

Community Service: Now doing volunteer work defending homeowners in forfeiture cases, Boys and Girls Club Board, Communities in Schools, Safe Streets of Pierce County, Habitat for Humanity, Law Enforcement Support Agency, Tacoma-Pierce County Board of Health

Statement: John Ladenburg is the only candidate who started out as a storefront lawyer representing working class people. He's also the only candidate who has tried major cases as a defense attorney and as a prosecutor. John is the only candidate who has received eight perfect annual audits as the Pierce County Executive and the only candidate with an environmentalist record, successfully chairing Sound Transit and instituting numerous environmental programs as County Executive.

What’s more, John created the nation’s first “Sex Predator Notification Law,” later approved by the U.S. Supreme Court. Right now, he’s suing a big bank for improperly foreclosing on a young couple. And he’s doing it for free.

John is rated “Exceptionally Well Qualified” by the Pierce County Bar Association, and endorsed by 15 county prosecutors; Grays Harbor, King, Pierce and Snohomish County Democrats; Congressmen Norm Dicks; Ron Sims; the Washington State Labor Council and more.

The third of 16 children, John was born in Leavenworth, WA and graduated from Stadium High in Tacoma. John married his wife, Connie, 42 years ago. They have five children and ten grandchildren. We need a Justice like John who has as much experience working with people as working with the law.

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Judge Position No. 4

Ronald E. Cox


Other Professional Experience: U.S. Army officer, serving in various command, staff, and instructor positions in Germany, Vietnam, and the United States before law school.

Education: J.D., University of Washington School of Law; B.S., United States Military Academy, West Point, New York; Punahou School, Honolulu, Hawai'i.

Community Service: Past President, King County Bar Foundation. The foundation raises money for free legal services to the poor and scholarships for minority law students.

Statement: Voters are often frustrated by the lack of information about judges. I recommend the award winning website votingforjudges.org as an excellent source of information to assist in making informed decisions about judicial candidates.

As a judge on the court of appeals, I participate in deciding cases on appeal from trial courts. These cases include disputes in civil, criminal, juvenile, family law, and other areas. The state supreme court further reviews a small number of these cases.

During my time on the court, I have served a term as the presiding chief judge of the entire court. I also served a term as chief judge of Division One of the court, which is headquartered in Seattle.

With the support of the public, I hope to continue service on this court.

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Judge Position No. 7

Marlin Appelwick


Education: Juris Doctor, University of Washington School of Law, 1979; Bachelor of Science/Arts, Minnesota State University-Mankato, 1976

Community Service: Seattle-Lake City Lions Club; Lake City Community Center Board; Faith Lutheran Church

Statement: Thank you for the privilege of serving on the Court of Appeals for the past 14 years.

Your right of appeal to a three-judge panel of the Court of Appeals is a critical part of the safety net that protects our rights. The large volume of cases and tremendous variety of civil and criminal issues makes the job very challenging. My experience while a lawyer in private practice and during 16 years in the legislature prepared me well for the breadth of issues. I have thoroughly enjoyed working with the other members of the court and wrestling with those challenges to make just decisions and to write good opinions.

I believe a judge should serve the community in ways beyond the decisions made on the bench. I work hard on court budget matters and participate actively in judicial administration. I remain committed to making information about the law more accessible to the public through the "lawforwa.org" website. And, I will continue to promote awareness of your civic rights and responsibilities through the Council on Public Legal Education.

I ask for your vote of confidence and the opportunity to serve you for another term.

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Superior Court

Judge Position No. 25

Elizabeth Berns

Legal/Judicial Experience: Two decades of experience as a private practice attorney in civil litigation and three years as a Pro Tem Commissioner and Judge, presiding over civil and criminal matters.

Other Professional Experience: Owner, local law firm; Business law faculty member, University of Phoenix; Environmental consultant and research analyst, Nobel Industries.

Education: University of Puget Sound School of Law, Juris Doctor (1993); University of Washington, Bachelor of Science in Environmental Health and Law (1989).

Community Service: Long-term Small Business Administration SCORE volunteer assisting small businesses with legal issues; Vice President, Women’s Business Exchange; Member, Rotary International; Extensive pro bono representation of victims of domestic violence, families and minorities.

Statement: With two decades of experience as a private practice attorney and three years as a Pro Tem Judge, I have taken on some of the toughest legal issues – criminal and civil cases involving child abuse, sexual harassment, discrimination complaints and the disenfranchisement of minority communities. My breadth of experience prepares me well to be a Judge.

With the growing diversity in our community, our courts must meet the changing needs of our citizens. I care about people that come to the courts; I believe it is important that they understand the court proceedings and how the law is applied to their situation.

I also care deeply about my community, which is why I volunteer a significant amount of time assisting minority-owned businesses, representing victims of domestic violence, and mentoring our youth through sports and confidence-building activities.

Endorsements include: King County Labor Council, King County Democrats, Senator Ed Murray, Representative Jamie Pedersen, Bellevue Mayor Conrad Lee, Redmond Mayor John Marchione, Former Seattle Deputy Mayor Anne Levinson, Supreme Court Justices Bobbe Bridge (Ret.) and Faith Ireland (Ret.), Judges Anne Ellington, James Doerty, Mary Yu, Jean Riettschel, Kimberley Prochnau, Paris Kallas (Ret.), Janet Garrow, and Donna Tucker. See www.bernsforjudge.com for updated endorsements.

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Roger Davidheiser

Legal/Judicial Experience: Rated “Exceptionally Well Qualified,” King County Bar Association; Senior Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, King County, Specializing in Organized Crime, Public Corruption and Homicide cases; 21 years as a public prosecutor taking on most of the area’s high profile murders and Organized Crime Groups; Special Assistant United States Attorney; Founding Member Prosecutor’s Office Homicide Unit.

Other Professional Experience: Formerly with Riddell, Williams (civil litigation); Saul, Ewing (municipal and school district/finance law, civil litigation)

Education: New York University School of Law (Juris Doctor), Temple University (BA Summa Cum Laude), Boston University

Community Service: Youth Athletics, Farming on Vashon Island, King County Bar Foundation, bicycle commuter

Statement: Roger Davidheiser is rated “Exceptionally Well Qualified” by the King County Bar Association, the highest rating in this race. Having tried 100+ jury trials, and a prior practice in civil law, Roger is the only candidate with the extensive courtroom experience needed. From getting recent convictions against organized crime to founding King County Prosecutor’s Homicide Unit, Roger has put Seattle’s most dangerous criminals behind bars, landing him on national TV (CBS News 48 Hours, Forensic Files).

From a homeless man beaten to death to a prostitute beaten near death, Roger cares about us and champions the rights of all who otherwise have little hope of obtaining justice. Highly respected and committed to justice for all, Roger will bring these values to the court room.

Roger commutes by bicycle from his farm on Vashon Island. A recent widower, Roger has two sons in college.

Roger is endorsed by Judy Maleng, Supreme Court Justice Steven Gonzalez, Superior Court Judge Mary Yu, State Senators Sharon Nelson and David Frockt, Seattle Council members Sally Bagshaw and Tim Burgess, U.S. Attorney Mike McKay, ret., Martin Luther King Labor Council, King County Police Officers Guild, and defense attorneys against whom Roger has worked as a Prosecutor.

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Eric Schmidt

Legal/Judicial Experience: Washington State Court of Appeals Commissioner since 2002; pro tem Pierce County Superior Court judge; 8 years as judge for Washington State Department of Health from 1994 to 2001; superior court arbitrator; experience in government practice and private practice.

Other Professional Experience: Adjunct Professor of Law, Seattle University School of Law since 2000; Lecturer, University of Washington School of Law; Chair, Mandatory Continuing Judicial Education Committee; Vice Chair, Board for Court Education.

Education: B.A., University of Washington; J.D cum laude, UPS Law School; M.A. and Ph.D., University of Washington.

Community Service: Community member of Children’s Hospital Ethics Committee; judge for YMCA high school mock trial championships.

Statement: Eric Schmidt is a well-qualified, thoughtful and experienced jurist, having served as a judicial officer for 18 years. Since 2002 he has decided hundreds of cases for the Court of Appeals involving almost every issue that comes before the Superior Court, including criminal law, civil law, family law and administrative law. He is a judge pro tempore in Pierce County Superior Court, having presided over criminal and civil jury trials, bench trials and family law trials. He was a health law judge for almost eight years, including six years as chief judge, presiding over complex disciplinary and licensing hearings.

Eric is devoted to judicial and legal education. He is an adjunct professor of law at SU and UW law schools, is Chair of the committee that assures that all Washington judges complete their continuing judicial education requirements, and is Vice Chair of the board that oversees education programs for Washington judges and court staff.

Eric has been rated as “Exceptionally Well Qualified” or “Well Qualified” by Washington Women Lawyers, King County Bar, Latina/o Bar, Joint Asian Bar, Loren Miller Bar and QLaw. Eric is endorsed by Washington Supreme Court Justices, Court of Appeals Judges and Superior Court Judges.

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Superior Court

Judge Position No. 29

Hong Tran

Legal/Judicial Experience: Civil legal aid attorney for 16 years specializing in housing, family law, public benefits, unemployment and consumer law issues. Criminal defense attorney for 4 years. Volunteer attorney in asylum cases.

Other Professional Experience: Board President of SafeFutures Youth Center (gang intervention program); Shop Steward for SEIU 925.

Education: University of Utah School of Law, J.D., 1992; Agnes Scott College, B.A. 1988.

Community Service: PTA Volunteer at Broadview Thomson K-8 School; ESL Tutor.

Statement: As an immigrant from Vietnam, I know the promise of opportunity. But when those opportunities fall short, many are forced to turn to the legal system. I have devoted my 20 year legal career to ensuring that those with limited means have access to the legal system. Superior Court judges must be prepared to hear both civil and criminal cases, from divorces to child custody disputes, evictions and other contract disputes, discrimination and other civil rights claims, and criminal cases. As an experienced civil and criminal law litigator, I have experience working with domestic violence victims, as well as those accused of crimes of violence. I have litigated multimillion-dollar property disputes, as well as helped homeless individuals secure their first stable home. I have advised and drafted materials for people who appear without a lawyer because they cannot afford one. As a criminal defense lawyer, I ensure that the process is fair, the evidence is sound, and when not, that law enforcement is accountable for its actions. I have been endorsed by Court of Appeals and King County Superior Court judges and numerous democratic legislative districts.

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Sean O’Donnell

Legal/Judicial Experience: Senior Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, Homicide Unit; Special Assistant United States Attorney. Sean is an experienced trial lawyer. He was part of the team that prosecuted Gary Ridgway, the “Green River Killer,” and is a recognized leader on cases involving sexual violence against women. Sean has travelled throughout the United States to train police and lawyers on how to investigate and prosecute cases where juveniles are forced into the commercial sex trade.

Other Professional Experience: Adjunct Faculty, Seattle University School of Law; Chief Trainer (human trafficking) National Association of Attorneys General.

Education: BA, Georgetown; JD, Seattle University

Community Service: Children’s Response Center; GRCC Criminal Justice Advisory Board.

Statement: On what issue do King County Democrats, King County Republicans, police officers, defense lawyers, and more than 30 judges agree? That Sean O’Donnell should be elected to King County Superior Court. With the most trial experience in this race, Sean will be a fair and impartial decision maker who will never lose sight of the fact that there are real people behind the legal paperwork who deserve to have their voices heard in court. The King County Bar Association has rated Sean “Well Qualified” for Superior Court. Bi-Partisan endorsements:

Organizations: King County Democrat and Republican Central Committees; Kent, Kirkland, Federal Way and King County Police Officers’ Guilds; King County Corrections Guild; King County Labor Council; Seattle Building & Construction Trades Council; SEIU Healthcare 775NW; 10 Democratic Legislative Districts.

Elected& community leaders, including: King County Councilmembers Dunn, McDermott, Gossett, Patterson, Lambert, Hague, von Reichbauer; King County Executive Dow Constantine; State Senators/ Representatives: Joe Fain, Cathy Dahlquist; Jeanne Kohl-Welles, Bob Hasegawa, Mary Lou Dickerson, Steve Litzow, Velma Veloria (ret.); Mayors of Bellevue, Kent, Federal Way, Redmond, and Seattle; Seattle City Council members Burgess, Harrell, Bagshaw; Supreme Court Justice Steven Gonzalez, Judge Mary Yu; Mike McKay, Ruth Woo, Albert Shen and Judy Maleng.

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Superior Court

Judge Position No. 30

Kimberly Allen

Legal/Judicial Experience: Decided 100+ land use cases around Puget Sound; Prosecutor-Phoenix, AZ; Arizona Assistant Attorney General; private litigation practice; Shell Oil in-house counsel; practiced law in four states.

Other Professional Experience: Elected twice to Redmond City Council; 2012 Judicial Institute-fellow; Endorsed: King County Democrats and many Legislative Districts.

Education: University of Michigan- BA Political Science; Michigan State University, Detroit College of Law- JD Cum Laude.

Community Service: KCBA Pro Bono Family Law Program; two terms-King County Regional Law, Safety and Justice Committee; Growth Management Planning Council; Regional Transit Committee; Redmond Kiwanis, former director/founding member; Komen 3-Day Walk, team member-Cops For The Cure.

Statement: I'm running for this judicial seat because this bench has been empty for more than six months; I'm ready to go to work. I have a proven commitment to public service and decide my cases so those who appear before me are safe, respected and heard. I'm rated "Well Qualified" and have criminally prosecuted and litigated over 100 cases. I've also heard and decided over 100 Puget Sound area land use cases in the last 5 years.

Being an effective judge requires more than just practicing law. Being out in our community, listening to people we serve, I learned it's so important that we lawyers never lose sight of the human presence behind our cases. I never will. Those coming to court seeking justice are neighbors, friends and coworkers - they are us, and I'm ready to listen carefully and make those tough decisions.

In hard economic times, the court must provide efficient service with fewer resources. Technology and private/public partnerships can stretch the budget and improve results. I have solutions to make court less intimidating and confusing to improve access for all. Please give me your vote and put me to work for you.

Endorsed: King County Democrats

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Doug North

Legal/Judicial Experience: Elected to King County Superior Court in 2000, I have presided over hundreds of cases in both the criminal and civil departments, as well as on the Unified Family Court.

Other Professional Experience: No information submitted


Community Service: Married 26 years to my wife Lorrie, we have two children, both educated in Seattle schools. We have been involved in the Boy Scouts and the Northwest Junior Bagpipe Band. I have worked to protect the environment for over 25 years, founding the Northwest Rivers Council and serving on the board of the Washington Wilderness Coalition.

Statement: A trial judge for over a decade, I have been thankful to serve you and vigorously uphold your constitutional rights. In a recent King County Bar Poll, I received “Excellent” and “Very Good” ratings from more than 3/4 of the people before me. As a judge and before as a lawyer, I have tried hundreds of civil, criminal and family law trials.

Recently, I successfully fought an extended illness and it has reenergized me for this honorable task. I have learned from the law and life, that respect, empathy, fortitude and humility are musts. Besides my family and the law, I love river rafting and backpacking and have published a guidebook on rivers.

The record speaks for itself: I am the most experienced, balanced and respected candidate in this race. I invite you to judge for yourself and consult www.votingforjudges.org where they objectively list endorsements and Superior Court trial experience. Thank you for your consideration.

Committee to Re-Elect Judge Doug North; Mike McKay and Bobbe Bridge, Co-Chairs; Endorsements: 36th District Democrats; 40+ Judges on King County Superior Court; Judge Ann Schindler, Div. 1 Court of Appeals; Justice Steven Gonzalez, Washington State Supreme Court

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Superior Court

Judge Position No. 42

Sue Parisien

Legal/Judicial Experience: Senior Trial Attorney and former Assistant Attorney General. Adjunct Faculty Member, University of Washington School of Law. Over two decades of trial experience in the public and private sectors and in-house as the Director of General Liability for Nordstrom.


Education: Seattle University; Villanova Law School.

Community Service: 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 cooking at the Ronald McDonald House and Teen Feed.

Statement: “Sue’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

“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

52% rated the incumbent Chris Washington’s legal decision making as unacceptable or poor. King County needs and deserves better. Former Assistant Attorney General Sue Parisien has over two decades of trial experience. In addition to courtroom experience, Sue has mediated and arbitrated hundreds of cases for individuals, businesses and the State of Washington. Sue’s experience in the courtroom and as an Adjunct Faculty Member at the University of Washington School of Law prepares her to manage a courtroom that respects jurors and ensures equal access for all.

Committed to community service, Sue is an award-winning advocate for the vulnerable and works with non-profits dedicated to the early detection of breast cancer. She is active in her daughters’ schools and is a longtime volunteer cook for TeenFeed. Sue Parisien has the commitment to justice, passion for fairness and tireless work ethic we need on the Superior Court.

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Marianne Jones

Legal/Judicial Experience: 20 years experience representing thousands of legal issues to judges in State and Federal Trial Courts, State and Federal Appellate Courts, and Multiple State Supreme Courts. Pro Tem Judge in King County District Court. Served as King County Superior Court Arbitrator.


Community Service: Boys and Girls Club, Children’s Hospital, Hopelink, Lifespring, and multiple school PTSA; recipient of Washington State PTSA Outstanding Advocate Award.

Statement: In my law practice for the past 20 years, I have fearlessly fought against the unjust actions of corporate giants, insurance companies, quasi-judicial governing bodies, local and state governments. I have fought with conviction against bias, gender, and racial discrimination perpetrated against those victimized. With tenacity and perseverance I have taken on controversial land use issues. I’ve accepted dozens of pro bono cases to help those who could not afford costly attorney’s fees.

Serving the public as a judge pro tem, I immediately felt comfortable on the bench. I listen to people before me, understand their circumstances, respectfully explain my application of the law to their issue, and do so efficiently and patiently. Both lawyers and litigants leave my courtroom knowing they have been treated fairly. My organizational skills, use of technological efficiencies, and implementation of clear expectations will produce an extremely well run courtroom.

I have been married for 23 years to Pacific Northwest Football Hall of Fame coach Pat Jones and enjoy our family.

With your vote, I’d like to continue my oath of upholding the law as written and to work hard to make our courts more accessible and more reflective of the communities we serve.

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David Ruzumna

Legal/Judicial Experience: Active member of the Washington State Bar Association since 1997; Licensed since 2000 to practice before the United States District Court, Western District of Washington; Licensed since 2010 to Practice before the 9th Circuit United States Court of Appeals; Member of King County Bar Association

Other Professional Experience: No information submitted

Education: B.A., Sociology, Humboldt State University (1993); J.D., cum laude, Seattle University (1997)

Community Service: Panel Member of KCBA’s ‘Volunteer Assistance for Persons with AIDS/HIV’; Volunteer Attorney for Lawyers Fostering Independence (Program of CCYJ); Actively Provides Pro Bono Services on behalf of several Animal Rescue/Shelters, Theater Arts and other nonprofit companies

Statement: After 15 years of practicing law in our community, I am running for King County Superior Court Judge. If elected, I would bring:

Diverse experience within the judicial system. As an attorney, I have developed the kind of experience that can only come from being ‘in the trenches.’ I represent diverse clients, with equally diverse interests and goals. I assist many small and mid-size businesses and civil litigants — plaintiffs and defendants — all over our region.

The ability to make fair, informed and consistent decisions. As an attorney, I know that preparation wins cases. I have witnessed firsthand that preparation by a judge is the key to sound decision making.

A strong commitment to the King County community and to the legal system. As a husband and a father of two children, I have made King County not only my home, but my life and business. I have dedicated time to pro bono work, volunteering for the Center for Children and Youth Justice, dog rescue organizations, local theater companies as well as individual artists, and have served on the King County Bar Association’s Volunteer Assistance for Persons with AIDS. I would be honored to have your vote.

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Christopher A. Washington

Legal/Judicial Experience: Chris has served for almost 8 years as a King County Superior Court judge. Prior to being elected as a judge, Chris had extensive trial experience on both sides of the aisle – plaintiff and defense, civil and criminal, private and public practice including as prosecutor at King County Prosecutor’s Office under Norm Maleng prosecuting felony offenses and working in the Sexual Assault Unit.

Other Professional Experience: No information submitted

Education: B.A. Marquette University; J.D. University of Wisconsin

Community Service: Judge in annual mock trial competitions and in Seattle University and University of Washington law school events; Community service through Marquette Alumni Association and church programs

Statement: King County judges Deborah Fleck, Patricia Clark and Michael Trickey have this to say about Judge Chris Washington: “We strongly support the reelection of Judge Washington to the King County Superior Court. As an 8 year veteran on our bench, Judge Washington is experienced in making the tough decisions required of a superior court judge. He is a real asset to our court and the people we serve. Over 50 past and present superior court judges have endorsed Chris for reelection.”

I appreciate the support of my fellow judges. Since my election in 2004, I have presided over both civil and criminal cases in Seattle and at the Regional Justice Center in Kent. I have also served at the Juvenile Court for the last two years. For the 26 years before being elected as a judge, I worked as an assistant city attorney, King County prosecutor and trial attorney.

It has been a privilege to serve you and I would be honored to receive your vote.

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### Superior Court

**Judge Position No. 46**

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<td><strong>Statement:</strong> Judy Ramseyer is an independent, respected attorney with superb qualifications and broad experience in law, public service, and life. Highly rated and widely endorsed, Judy is uniquely prepared for the bench. Judy has passion for equal justice; compassion for crime victims and families in crisis. She believes our courts are a place where all people must be heard, treated with respect, and their issues are resolved responsibly and fairly. Judy began her career working with at-risk youth, earning a master's and law degree at night. Her law career started as Honorable William Dwyer’s first law clerk, working on complex federal criminal and civil cases. A single mom, Judy raised her daughter while building her trial practice in several of the region’s leading law firms and as a solo practitioner. She is a lifelong advocate for women, kids, and those in need of a voice. When not working, Judy bikes and loves being outdoors. Supporters include Ron Sims, Charley Royer, Ruth Woo, Larry Gossett, David Boerner, Anne Levinson, Sally Bagshaw, Jamie Pedersen, Adam Kline; 10 Supreme Court Justices, including Madsen and Gonzalez; 20 Appeal and Superior Court Judges; NARAL; MLK County Labor Council; 10 Democratic legislative districts, and King County Democrats.</td>
<td><strong>Statement:</strong> Experience in the courtroom is critical for a judicial candidate. My goal is to use my diverse experience gained from 20 years working in King County Superior Court, both as a Public Defender and Prosecutor, to maximize our public resources, achieve justice for our citizens and ensure equal access to our courts. My comprehensive understanding of the law, balanced perspective, and genuine respect for all sides is why incumbent Judge Suzanne Barnett, Position 46, is endorsing me as the candidate for her position. I am honored that 22 additional Superior Court judges endorse my candidacy along with Mayor Mike McGinn, City Attorney Peter Holmes, Councilwoman Kathy Lambert, Representative Chris Hurst, Federal Way Mayor Skip Priest and many more community leaders. Also endorsed by The King County Police Officer’s Guild, and the Police Guilds of Kirkland, Redmond, Renton, Kent, Normandy Park, and Federal Way. Growing up in the Seattle area, I deeply appreciate our community’s history and diversity. If I am elected as Superior Court judge, I will work tirelessly to ensure the legal rights and personal dignity of all who appear in my courtroom are equally protected. <em>Gary and his wife, Kaia, have two young sons, ages 5 and 9</em></td>
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Proposition No. 1
Vote to Select a Library Site Downtown

After Renton voters chose to join King County Library System (KCLS), Renton contracted with KCLS to provide a state of the art library in downtown Renton. The library will be located at EITHER the existing library location over the Cedar River (100 Mill Ave. South), OR West of the Renton Piazza (508 South 3rd Street). If the Piazza site is chosen, Renton will keep the existing library building for alternative public use in the future.

Which location should be the site of the downtown library?

☐ Over the Cedar River
☐ West of the Piazza

The complete text of this measure is available at the Elections Office or online at www.kingcounty.gov/elections.

In favor of “Over the Cedar River”

Suggestions that the Cedar River location would exceed the budget are misleading. Two clauses in the agreement with KCLS allow for changes to the project/design to keep within budget. A 22,500 sq/ft State-of-the-Art library on Cedar River will be 50% larger than the 15,000 sq/ft proposal at the other location and cost 32.9% less per sq/ft. Renovating Cedar River Library amounts to a family-sized bargain for taxpayers, and good stewardship of revenue. The “real cost” of building a SMALLER library at the other location, rather than keeping and renovating Cedar River Library, would include millions of unbudgeted tax dollars to repurpose the vacated Cedar River Library for “alternate use.” That repurposing could double our cost. A renovated flagship KCLS library over the Cedar River at Liberty Park will continue to be a cornerstone tying our community together. With ample dedicated off-street parking, family-friendly open spaces free of traffic, and many surrounding recreational opportunities, there really is no better place.

Consider the real costs. The Cedar River Library will be “state-of-the-art”, be 50% BIGGER, be CHEAPER costing 32.9% less per sq/ft and will eliminate the need to repurpose a vacated city property at future taxpayer expense. Vote Cedar River Library.

Statement submitted by: Stuart Avery, Beth Asher, and Nicola Robinson
www.rentonlibrary.com

In favor of “West of the Piazza”

Renton’s new library location next to the Piazza provides Renton great opportunities for several reasons. A new light-filled state of the art library with great visibility, onsite parking, centrally located in the downtown business district immediately extends the downtown hub adjacent to the Piazza and the Pavilion. This new library will provide expanded services to our citizens while lowering building and operating costs. This also allows the existing library building over the river to be re-purposed as an environmental center, giving Renton two fantastic assets for just slightly more than the cost of one extensive remodel to the existing library. Being centrally located the new library would open onto the Farmers Market, downtown festivals, car shows, Renton Art Walk and other great community events. Patrons can easily walk to and take advantage of Renton’s nearby downtown businesses. The library also becomes a key component to redevelopment of the downtown.

The clear choice for the new library providing the highest level of service with minimal investment is the new library location west of the Piazza. Please vote for the Piazza Park Library that will serve our community and future generations for the next 50 years.

Statement submitted by: Laurie Beden, King Parker, and John Galluzzo
lauriebeden@gmail.com

Rebuttal of “West of the Piazza”

Don’t be misled again. Libraries don’t drive commerce. Downtown revitalization deserves effective solutions. Moving our library isn’t the answer. The opposition wants you to believe you can have two buildings for one price, but it’s impossible. The city doesn’t have, $5-10 million to repurpose the existing library as an environmental center, nor millions more each year for operating costs. Moving the library would mean more taxes and less library. Vote for the Cedar River Library.

Statement submitted by: Laurie Beden, King Parker, and John Galluzzo
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Rebuttal of “Over the Cedar River”

The West Piazza Library (15,000 Feet) and existing library (22,500 Feet) total 37,000 feet for little more than the costly, complex remodel of the old building, likely subject to cost overruns. Costs to repurpose for a non-library use are significantly less. This is nearly TWICE as much area and avoids a minimum two year closure. The library professionals of KCLS have designed an exceptional Piazza library. Vote for the right location: West of Piazza Park.

Statement submitted by: Laurie Beden, King Parker, and John Galluzzo
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Proposition No. 1
Regular Tax Levy Including Seattle Public Libraries

The City of Seattle’s Proposition 1 concerns supporting, maintaining and improving core Library Services.

This proposition would increase library collections, support library hours and services, update technology and maintain library facilities, as provided in Ordinance No. 123851. It authorizes regular property taxes above RCW 84.55 limits, allowing additional 2013 collection of up to $17,000,000 (approximately $0.15/$1,000 assessed value) and up to $122,630,099 over seven years. In 2013, total City taxes collected would not exceed $3.60 per $1,000 of assessed value.

Should this levy be approved?

☐ Yes
☐ No

The complete text of this measure is available beginning on page 94.

Explanatory statement

Seattle Proposition 1 approves a property tax increase totaling $122,630,099 over seven years. The levy is limited so that the City shall not levy more than $17,000,000 in the first year and the levy amount cannot grow by more than 1% per year. The taxes raised would provide funding for operations, major maintenance and capital improvements for the Seattle Public Library. Section 5 of the levy ordinance states that “Levy investments will be made in the following four categories of Library Services”:

1. Hours and Access. For example, major program elements may include supporting operating hours at the neighborhood branches and Central Library, and providing support for in-person reference services.

2. Collections. For example, major program elements may include providing variety and depth in the Library’s collections with new titles in print and other formats, increasing the size and quality of the digital collection, and making local history resources more widely available through digitization.

3. Technology. For example, major program elements may include replacements and upgrades to the Library’s public computer inventory and online resources, including user-focused improvements to the catalog and public website.

4. Maintenance. For example, major program elements may include enhanced resources to provide regular care and major maintenance, such as repair or replacement of structural elements and building systems, for the Library’s heavily-used buildings as they age, to prolong their useful life and ensure they are clean, safe and welcoming.

These major program elements are illustrative examples. The levy funds will be spent in accordance with the annual City budget process for each year of the levy. The City Librarian and Library Board shall submit to the Mayor and City Council the funding and expenditure plan that will support, maintain and improve the core library services identified in the categories above. Each year the Library Board shall adopt an annual operations plan and capital budget.

Proposition 1 would authorize the collection of more property taxes than would otherwise be allowed by the limits imposed under the Revised Code of Washington (RCW) Chapter 84.55. That state law generally limits the annual increase in property tax revenue to 1% over the highest amount that the City could have received in one of the three most recent years. Proposition 1 lifts that lid on property taxes.

The taxes authorized by Proposition 1 are in addition to those collected under the limits of RCW 84.55 or any other authorized levy lid lifts. In the first year of collection (2013), the additional tax rate associated with the tax increase authorized by Proposition 1 for any property owner would be approximately 15 cents per thousand dollars of assessed value. The City’s total regular property-tax rate would not exceed the state-law rate limit of $3.60 per $1,000 of assessed value. Taxes levied in 2019 for collection in 2020, and later tax levies, would be calculated as if Proposition 1 had not been passed.
Statement in favor

YES for SEATTLE LIBRARIES!

Seattle’s neighborhood and downtown libraries are a treasured resource for all of us. We must keep them, open, accessible and maintain our world class collection of materials—from archives to e-books, children’s collections to computers.

The recession, compounded by caps on revenue following Eyman tax cut initiatives, have resulted in real cuts to library hours and services. With more cuts on the horizon, we have the opportunity to step up and make an investment in our libraries with a YES vote on Seattle Proposition 1.

LET’S KEEP LIBRARIES OPEN AND ACCESSIBLE— TO ALL

All of us should have access to what the Library can offer. The Seattle Public Library system is the one public institution that is open to all people regardless of age, economic status, or social class. We can’t allow branches to close or hours to be cut. Staffing levels, maintenance, collections or technology upgrades should not fall behind more than they already have.

Without this Levy, the ability of our libraries to serve every neighborhood is in jeopardy. Another year of budget cuts could mean cuts equal to closing five branch libraries—at a time when more and more people are using our libraries.

Our libraries are an increasingly important destination for kids. With statewide education cuts and tighter funding at Seattle Schools, our libraries are needed as a safe, nurturing place to study, do school related research, or receive extra tutoring after school. Without this levy, cuts in hours and technology threaten access and services Seattle kids deserve.

NEIGHBORHOOD INVESTMENTS WORTH PROTECTING

We must maintain the whole system. In 1998, voters overwhelming passed a measure that funded construction of the new Downtown Main Library, four new branches, and renovated all existing Library branches. These levy funds will protect and maintain one of the finest library systems in the country.

With your vote, these funds will be put to immediate, positive use. The current policy of shutting down the entire system for one week each summer will end; hours would be added to branch libraries; and, all 26 branches and the main Library downtown will be open on Sundays.

Neighborhood libraries are a critical part of our quality of life, providing study space, meeting facilities, materials for personal and professional growth, and educational programs that build great communities.

Please join leaders and organizations throughout Seattle in support of our Libraries!

Norm Rice, former Mayor; Eric Liu, education leader and past Library Board President; Virginia Anderson, former Seattle Center Director

Rebuttal of statement in opposition

The cuts suffered by our libraries are real-- and only getting worse.

From staffing levels to collections; routine and long term maintenance; technology upgrades and branch library hours -- we can’t afford to fall behind anymore than we already have.

Libraries are an essential service, but as the City budget shrinks, every department has sacrificed-- our libraries are not exempt from revenue loss.

The impacts of these cuts are felt in every neighborhood, by kids, seniors, and families. With a Yes vote, all 26 branches and downtown will benefit: longer hours, more materials, needed safety and maintenance upgrades.

All of us should have access to our Seattle Public Libraries, an essential part of our quality of life. Please Vote Yes!

For more information: www.YesSeattleLibraries.com
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Statement in opposition

Stop City officials from playing games with our libraries, which need regular funding, not this temporary, unaccountable levy

A core public service that we all treasure, Seattle’s libraries are being starved by the Mayor and City Council. Revenues are increasing, but they manufactured a crisis to scare voters into approving this $122.6 million ($17 million+/year) property tax increase.

Ballot measures should be used for infrequent capital projects or for unavoidable emergencies, not for ongoing operations. Operations should be funded from the regular budget, our City’s statement of its true priorities. This levy is temporary and moves our Library away from the stable funding it had for a century.

And it’s the least accountable levy proposed to voters in years. The levy ordinance (it’s in this pamphlet) governs. Officials refused to include any commitment to maintain libraries’ regular funding (now $51 million/year); increase hours, services, and technology (didn’t even promise not to cut them); or empower an oversight committee to protect branch funding from diversion to the downtown library.

When the libraries needed reconstruction, voters rejected a similarly lax measure, forcing the Mayor and City Council to craft “Libraries for All” with accountability which this levy sorely lacks, and voters passed it in 1998. But the lesson was forgotten.

Only if we say “no” to this levy will officials produce a package that empowers the Library, not themselves. Passage encourages their cutting of its regular funds, to be diverted to purposes they’re afraid to put before the voters, like bailing out the mismanaged City pension fund’s $1 billion deficit.

People are struggling in a tough economy, and property taxes are already high, with more billions coming to the ballot for the Youth Justice Center; Medic One; Seawall; Schools; and renewal of the parks, transportation, and housing levies. Can you afford it?

To save the Library, join us in insisting on real financial security, not holding it hostage for a tax increase. Stop the Mayor and City Council from playing games with this cherished institution, and from cutting its regular funding. Reject this temporary levy, and let’s work together to ensure full Library funding in the regular budget.

Rick Barrett (campaigner for the Libraries for All bond issue; library cardholder since 1938)

Suzie Burke (business owner and resident; 10 library cards in the family)

Chris Leman (Treasurer, Seattle Community Council Federation)

Background: http://Save theLibrary.wordpress.com. Positions listed for identification purposes only.

Rebuttal of statement in favor

No to this tax increase. Yes to higher priority from regular funds.

To force another tax increase, the Mayor and City Council are cutting Library funding. We must reject the scare tactics and insist that the Library get more in the regular budget. The City collects almost $1 billion/year in regular revenue. It can afford to fully fund the Library, one of its smallest departments.

The Library needs full, regular funding, not this levy which moves it away from financial stability. The levy ordinance is temporary and lacks accountability. It doesn’t require increased hours, or even exclude reduced hours or closed branches. It frees the Mayor and Council to divert the Library’s regular funds to other uses.

Stop the game-playing. Let’s get started on a real solution to this manufactured crisis. Our Library is too important not to fund it fully from the regular budget.

For more information: http://Save theLibrary.wordpress.com
AN ORDINANCE relating to regular property taxes; requesting that a special election be held concurrent with the August 7, 2012, general election for submission to the qualified electors of the City a proposition to lift the limit on regular property taxes under Chapter 84.55 RCW and authorize the City to levy additional taxes for up to seven years for the purpose of supporting, maintaining and improving core public library services; authorizing creation of a new subfund; ratifying and confirming certain prior acts; and providing for effective dates.

WHEREAS, The Seattle Public Library (Library) was established in 1890 and since that time has served as a free source of information and a community gathering place for residents of Seattle and the region; and

WHEREAS, in 1998 Seattle voters overwhelmingly supported the Libraries for All bond measure, which made Library services more accessible throughout the City by supporting the construction of four branch libraries in communities without library service, the replacement or renovation of 22 existing branches and the development of a new downtown Central Library; and

WHEREAS, the successful implementation of Libraries for All has contributed to a tremendous growth in Library usage; in 2011 the Library recorded 6,700,000 in-person patron visits system-wide, circulated over 11,000,000 items and hosted 1,500,000 public internet sessions; and

WHEREAS, the Library provides residents with access to an array of free services and programming, including computer and job search classes, tax preparation help and citizenship classes and introduces Seattle to local and world-renowned authors through author readings and book discussion groups; and

WHEREAS, the Library is an important partner in the education of Seattle's youth through crucial literacy activities for young children, homework help, programs to encourage reading over summer vacation, teen activities, partnerships with teachers and schools, and other vital services; and

WHEREAS, the Library's public computers and wireless network provide free computer and internet access for Seattle residents, and Library staff are available to help residents to find, evaluate and use information; and

WHEREAS, the Library's mobile services bring books and other materials to seniors and other residents who may lack the mobility to access their neighborhood branch library; and

WHEREAS, the Library has no dedicated funding source to keep operating budgets stable or keep pace with increasing maintenance costs; and

WHEREAS, about 95 percent of the Library's 2012 operating budget is supported by the City's General Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Library's 2012 capital budget is primarily supported by the City's General Fund and Real Estate Excise Tax (REET) revenues; and

WHEREAS, the City applies a 0.5 percent REET to all real estate sales transactions in Seattle, and because the amount of revenue that the City receives from REET is determined by both the volume and value of these transactions, the Library's capital budget is similarly subject to this volatility; and

WHEREAS, the weakening of the national and local economies in recent years has affected City revenues and placed significant spending pressures on the General Fund and REET; and

WHEREAS, the Library's heavy reliance on the General Fund and REET makes it particularly vulnerable to the constraints on the growth of these revenue sources; and

WHEREAS, the Library's reliance on the City’s General Fund and REET places it in competition for funding with other city priorities, and

WHEREAS, as a result of constraints on the City’s General Fund, the entire Library system has been closed for one week every year since 2009, Library employees have taken an unpaid furlough of one week every year since 2009, fifteen of the 26 neighborhood branch libraries are currently closed two days per week and the Library’s collections budget has been cut by more than 13 percent since 2009; and

WHEREAS, the Library’s capital budget has been cut by 50 percent since 2009 as a result of constraints on the City’s General Fund and REET revenues; and

WHEREAS, the City’s financial situation is not expected to significantly improve within the next three to four years and further reductions in General Fund support for the Library appear to be unavoidable; and

WHEREAS, the Library has already restructured to gain efficiencies, so further reductions related to the anticipated 2013 General Fund shortfall would have a significant impact on Library services; and

WHEREAS, the City Council may not increase regular property taxes by more than one percent per year without a vote of the people; and

WHEREAS, levy proceeds support library system operations in other jurisdictions, including Port Townsend, Washington, and Multnomah County (Portland), Oregon; and

WHEREAS, in response to a 2010 Statement of Legislative Intent (2010 SLI 95-1-A-1), the Library, City Council and Mayor reviewed and considered alternative funding sources that could be used to support the Library’s operations; and

WHEREAS, the Library, City Council and Mayor identified a property tax levy lid lift as the revenue source that could most feasibly be used in combination with the City’s General Fund and REET support; and

WHEREAS, during 2010-11 the Library developed a Strategic Plan based on an extensive public engagement process, using a series of open houses, public forums, an advisory committee and a community survey that generated nearly 33,000 responses; and

WHEREAS, in early 2012 the Library held three public forums and conducted an online survey in order to help identify and prioritize the Library services that levy proceeds could be used to support, maintain and improve; and

WHEREAS, the Library worked with the City Council and Mayor to consider the levels of funding that would be required to support, maintain and improve core Library services; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the City Council and Mayor to continue to provide General Fund and REET support to the Library at 2012 service levels, adjusted proportionately based on increases or decreases to such support for comparable City departments; and

WHEREAS, the City Charter authorizes the Library Board to oversee the Library’s annual operating and capital budgets; and

WHEREAS, the Library Board recognizes the need for additional revenue to support, maintain and improve core Library services, understands the current constraints on the City’s General Fund and REET revenues and, therefore, supports a property tax levy lid lift that would provide the Library with a new revenue source that could be used in combination with General Fund and REET; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Findings. The City Council makes the following findings and declarations:

A. A strong Library system supports the economic, educational and cultural vitality of the City and helps to foster an informed community; and

B. Libraries are anchor institutions in Seattle neighborhoods; and

C. A new dedicated and stable source of funding would diversify the Library’s existing funding base. A stable source of funding, in combination with the City’s General Fund and REET revenue, is needed if the Library is to continue to provide the operating hours, collections, services, technology and programs valued by Seattle residents, and preserve the recent capital investments in Library buildings that were supported by Libraries for All.

Section 2. Definitions. The following terms, when used and capitalized in this ordinance, shall have definitions stated below:
A. "City" means the City of Seattle.

B. "Library Services" means the programs, services, capital improvements and administration referred to in Section 5, with such modifications as the City Council may from time to time authorize by ordinance.

C. "Library Board" means the board of trustees of the Library, a five-member body appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council, with exclusive control of the finances of the Library under RCW Chapter 27.12.210 and sole authority to expend the Library Fund under Article XII of the Seattle City Charter, consistent with the annual appropriation of funds by the City Council.

D. "Proceeds" means that portion of regular property taxes levied and collected as authorized by voter approval pursuant to this ordinance that are above the limits on levies provided for in RCW 84.55.010, and all interest and other earnings derived from that portion of the levy.

Section 3. Levy of Regular Property Taxes – Submittal. The City hereby submits to the qualified electors of the City a proposition as authorized by RCW 84.55.050 to exceed the levy limitation on regular property taxes contained in Chapter 84.55 RCW, as it now exists or may hereafter be amended, for property taxes levied in 2012 through 2018 for collection in 2013 through 2019, respectively, raising up to $122,630,099 in aggregate over a period of up to seven years. The proposition shall be limited so that the City shall not levy more than $17,000,000 in the first year, in addition to the maximum amount of regular property taxes it would have been limited to by RCW 84.55.010 in the absence of voter approval under this ordinance, plus other authorized lid lifts. Proceeds shall be used to provide operational and capital funding to the Library. Pursuant to RCW 84.55.050(4), the maximum regular property taxes that may be levied in 2019 for collection in 2020 and in later years shall be computed as if the levy lid in RCW 84.55.010 had not been lifted under this ordinance.

Section 4. Application of Levy Proceeds. Unless otherwise directed by ordinance, Proceeds shall be deposited in the Library Levy Fund. The Director of Finance and Administrative Services, or the Director’s designee, is authorized to create subfunds or accounts within the Library Levy Fund as may be needed or appropriate to implement the purposes of this ordinance. Proceeds may be temporarily deposited or invested in such manner as may be lawful for the investment of City money, and interest and other earnings shall be used for the same purposes as the Proceeds.

Section 5. Library Services. Levy Proceeds will be used, in combination with the annual budget appropriation of City General Fund and REET to the Library, for Library Services. Levy investments will be made in the following four categories of Library Services:

A. Hours and Access. Major program elements include supporting operating hours at the neighborhood branches and Central Library, and providing support for in-person reference services.

B. Collections. Major program elements include providing variety and depth in the Library’s collections with new titles in print and other formats, increasing the size and quality of the digital collection, and making local history resources more widely available through digitization.

C. Technology. Major program elements include replacements and upgrades to the Library’s public computer inventory and online resources, including user-focused improvements to the catalog and public website.

D. Maintenance. Major program elements include enhanced resources to provide regular care and major maintenance, such as repair or replacement of structural elements and building systems, for the Library’s heavily-used buildings as they age, to prolong their useful life and ensure they are clean, safe and welcoming.

These program elements are illustrative examples. The levy proceeds will be spent in accordance with the annual City budget process for each year of the levy. The City Librarian and Library Board shall submit to the Mayor and City Council the Library Services and funding expenditure plan that will support, maintain and improve the core Library Services identified in this section. Each year the Library Board shall adopt an annual operations plan and capital budget.

Section 6. Reporting. The City Librarian and the Library Board will submit to the City Council, Mayor and citizens of Seattle annual progress reports on the implementation of the levy and how levy Proceeds were used to restore, maintain and improve the core Library Services identified in Section 5. The report shall be due to the City Council and Mayor by no later than March 1 of calendar years 2014 through 2020.

Section 7. Election – Ballot Title. The City Council directs that the City Clerk file this ordinance with the Director of Elections of King County, Washington, as ex officio supervisor of elections, requesting that the Director of Elections call and conduct a special election in the City in conjunction with the general election to be held on August 7, 2012, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the City the proposition set forth in this ordinance. The City Clerk is directed to certify to the King County Director of Elections the ballot title approved by the City Attorney in accordance with his responsibilities under RCW 29A.36.071. The following ballot title is submitted to the City Attorney for his consideration:

THE CITY OF SEATTLE

PROPOSITION NUMBER 1

REGULAR TAX LEVY INCLUDING SEATTLE PUBLIC LIBRARIES

The City of Seattle’s Proposition 1 concerns supporting, maintaining and improving core Library Services.

This proposition would increase library collections, support library hours and services, update technology and maintain library facilities, as provided in Ordinance 123851. It authorizes regular property taxes above RCW 84.55 limits, allowing additional 2013 collection of up to $17,000,000 (approximately $0.15/$1,000 assessed value) and up to $122,630,099 over seven years. In 2013, total City taxes collected would not exceed $3.60 per $1,000 of assessed value.

Should this levy be approved?

Yes

No

Those in favor shall vote “Yes”; those opposed shall mark their ballots “No”.

Section 9. Ratification. Certification of such proposition by the City Clerk to the King County Director of Elections in accordance with law prior to the calendar years 2014 through 2020.

Section 10. Severability. In the event any one or more of the provisions of this ordinance shall for any reason be held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect any other provision of this ordinance or the levy of the taxes authorized herein, but this ordinance and the authority to levy those taxes shall be construed and enforced as if such invalid provisions had not been contained herein; and any provision which shall for any reason be held invalid shall be deemed to be in effect to the extent permitted by law.

Section 11. Those portions of this ordinance providing for the submission of a ballot proposition to the voters shall take effect and be in force immediately upon the approval by the Mayor; or if returned to the Council by the Mayor unsigned, then immediately upon its return; or if not approved and returned by the Mayor within 10 days after presentation, then on the 11th day after its presentation to the Mayor; or if vetoed by the Mayor, then immediately after its passage over his veto. All provisions of this ordinance that have not taken effect on an earlier date shall take effect and be in force 30 days from and after the Mayor’s approval of this ordinance, but if this ordinance shall not be approved and returned by the Mayor within 10 days after presentation, such provisions shall take effect as provided by Seattle Municipal Code Section 1.04.020.
Proposition No. 1
Tax Levy for Maintenance and Operations

The Board of Commissioners of South King Fire & Rescue (King County Fire Protection District No. 39) passed Resolution No. 484 concerning a proposition to finance fire services and emergency medical services. This proposition would authorize the District to levy an excess property tax on all taxable property within the District beginning with collection in 2013 and continuing for three years thereafter to be used for maintenance and operations to maintain and increase the current level of fire services and emergency medical services. The levy amount for each of the four years would be $3,500,000 collected each year at approximate rate of $0.29 per $1,000 of assessed value. Should this proposition be approved?

☐ Yes
☐ No

The complete text of this measure is available at the Elections Office or online at www.kingcounty.gov/elections.

Statement in favor

South King Fire & Rescue continues to offer higher quality fire and emergency services at a lower cost to taxpayers than surrounding communities. However, those services are threatened. In order to maintain our service, please VOTE YES for SKF&R’s maintenance and operations levy.

Our fire district has lost over 22% of our annual revenue since 2009 as property values have declined. This reduction has necessitated major cutbacks in service levels and personnel, longer emergency response times, and 23 departmental vacancies including front line firefighters. Those who remain have taken voluntary cuts in pay and benefits.

This levy maintains current fire department services and personnel, only costs the average homeowner of a $200,000 home less than $5 per month, and restores an emergency aid unit to improve response times. Failure will ultimately lead to more cuts in vital services.

Our department runs a lean operation without sacrificing public safety. With the passing of this levy, our department’s tax rate will remain lower than most neighboring jurisdictions.

This levy requires a 60% super-majority to pass. Please join the 59% of our community who already voted in favor of this levy.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!!! Vote YES in SUPPORT of our community’s safety!

Rebuttal of statement in opposition

The Con Committee questions whether additional funding for the district is necessary.

The funding from this levy helps ensure that your fire department has the resources necessary to protect the public. Like everyone else in this recession the department has made sacrifices; they have reduced positions, given back raises, delayed equipment purchases and eliminated programs.

The district can sacrifice no further without seriously jeopardizing public safety. Vote YES for our community safety! YOUR VOTE MATTERS!

Statement submitted by: Wayne Corey, Jon McIntosh, and Danny Peterson
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Explanatory statement

South King Fire and Rescue, serving the citizens of Greater Federal Way and Des Moines, is placing an excess levy proposition on the August 7th, 2012 ballot. This proposition will authorize the fire district to collect $3.5 million annually, at an approximate rate of $0.29 per $1,000 of assessed valuation, for a four year period covering 2013 through 2016. The proposition is presented to allow voters the opportunity to maintain current fire department services and personnel. In addition, it will allow the district to re-staff an aid car for emergency responses, which has been closed due to decreased revenues the past few years.

The fire district has lost over 22% of its annual revenue since 2009 due to the nationwide recession and loss of property values, necessitating cutbacks in service levels and personnel, including elimination of public education programs, closure of one aid car and reducing another to part-time status, the layoff of four employees, and a total of 23 departmental vacancies including thirteen firefighters whose positions have been eliminated through attrition. Approval of this proposition would allow the department to maintain the current level of services. Rejection of this proposition would lead to additional reductions in service levels, the layoff of additional fire department personnel including the possible layoff of firefighters, potential elimination of special services such as rescue teams, and similar cutbacks.

Statement in opposition

Does the district need additional funding provided by this Excess Levy? Yes.

For the third time is as many years, the district is asking for more money, hoping that increases in voter approval will surpass voter fatigue of repeated ballot measures.

This Excess Levy covers the bare minimum, increasing firefighter numbers while training and district buildings continue to suffer.

Elections cost almost $150,000 tax dollars. Has the administration shown enough leadership and financial responsibility? Remember, the district likely will be back again in each of the next three years asking for more money.

They had no public vote for the $4.7 million training center property, costing $230,000 per year (interest only) with nothing paying the principal and no funds for construction. And even though the bond was refinanced, the general public hears no district discussion since 2009 of the proposed $65 million training/administration/maintenance facility.

Have you seen enough positive changes to pass an Excess Levy? Possibly, yet our firefighters have repeatedly suffered wage freezes while some commissioners continue demanding pay for non-essential mileage and meals. Have they sacrificed enough for you to vote increasing your taxes?

Does the district warrant passage of an Excess Levy?

Rebuttal of statement in favor

Vote for Accountable governance.
Sacrifices by our firefighters are to be lauded.
Will the actions of two elected officials jeopardize levy passage?
Failing Walk-the-Talk restraint during budget crisis, taking no pay cuts for nonessential meals-and-wheels expenses, some on your governing body say one thing but do another.
We agree. Services are threatened. By me-first attitudes of a few.
If this levy fails, look to these two “lean operation” commissioners for accountability.

Statement submitted by: Jerry Galland and Chuck Brezina
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A. Public safety is a fundamental purpose of government.

B. A strong criminal justice system is necessary to maintain safe and livable communities.

C. Under Washington state law, counties provide many regional and local criminal justice functions, including police protection, the incarceration of offenders, court services, and the prosecution and defense services of defendants.

D. The children and family justice center (“CFJC”) facility at 12th Avenue and East Alder Street in downtown Seattle serves the justice needs of King County youth and families.

E. The CFJC is in a state of disrepair and has reached the end of its useful life. The costs of maintaining the buildings have become untenable with over twenty million dollars in needed maintenance costs alone. The facility is in need of replacement to ensure the continuing justice services for King County children and families and to meet the demands of population growth in future years.

F. The superior court has undertaken long range planning efforts for the provision of juvenile and family justice services and has completed both a Targeted Operational Master Plan (“TOMP”) and a Targeted Facilities Master Plan (“TFMP”) which recommended replacement of the CFJC and improvements to the facilities to meet future demand.

G. Planning efforts have also determined that replacement of the detention facilities with a modern design will allow the county to optimize operations to reduce operational costs and avoid necessary major maintenance expenses on the existing facilities. Additionally, relocating the placement of detention facilities on the site will maximize the residual value of the remaining land.

H. Current funding for criminal justice is limited and insufficient to provide King County residents with the level of services needed to build and maintain safe and strong communities and to all make the necessary updates to criminal justice capital facilities, including the CFJC.

I. To counter this shortfall and a general lack of funding for county government, King County has aggressively worked to reduce expenditures by consolidating departments and functions, reducing labor costs and eliminating positions and programs.

J. To save taxpayer dollars and have the greatest possible impact on those in need, King County makes substantial investments in prevention and intervention efforts that reduce criminal justice involvement and costs, including job readiness, employment services and ending homelessness, in conjunction with funding traditional criminal justice services.

K. To contain costs and bring growth in revenues and expenditures into equilibrium, King County has continued to find efficiencies and capitalize on productivity gains through the better use of technology, better program management and performance measurement.

L. King County has also worked to obtain additional revenue tools from the state legislature to offset the structural funding problem facing King and all other Washington state counties. However, these changes have not been sufficient to solve the county’s projected revenue shortfalls.

M. The county’s projected future deficits threaten important criminal justice and other essential government functions.

N. The county council hereby finds that essential public health and safety services provided by the CFJC are of general benefit to all of the residents of King County. To maintain King County’s ability to continue to provide services at a facility on the current site of the CFJC, the county council finds that the best interests of all of the residents of the county require the county to undertake a replacement project for the facility.

O. The county council further finds that it is appropriate to ask the voters to fund the replacement of this essential criminal justice facility through a nine-year $0.07 property tax levy.

SECTION 2. Definitions. The definitions in this section apply throughout this ordinance unless the context clearly require otherwise.

A. “Children and family justice center replacement project” means a capital project or series of capital projects to design, remodel, construct and equip facilities for juvenile justice and family law services, including but not limited to replacement of the Alder wing, tower, detention facilities, and associated parking facilities located at the children and family justice center necessary to replace and expand the existing county facilities located at 12th and Alder in Seattle.

B. “Capital costs” includes the costs of architectural, engineering, legal and other consulting services, inspection and testing, administrative and relocation expenses, site improvement, demolition, on and off-site utilities, related improvements and other costs incurred incident to the design, remodeling, construction and equipping of the children and family justice center replacement project and its financing, including the incidental costs and costs related to the sale, issuance and delivery of the bonds. However, “capital costs” shall not include the costs of maintenance or operations.

SECTION 3. Levy submittal. To provide necessary funds for the capital costs for design, remodeling, construction and equipping of the children and family justice center replacement project, the county council shall submit to the qualified electors of the county a proposition authorizing a regular property tax levy in excess of the levy limitation contained in chapter 84.55 RCW. In accordance with RCW 84.55.050, this levy shall be a regular property tax levy, subject to the statutory rate limit of RCW 84.52.043.

SECTION 4. Project description.

A. The children and family justice center replacement project will replace and expand the Alder Tower, Alder Wing, detention facilities and associated parking facilities of the existing facility located at 12th and Alder in Seattle. The exact project specifications shall be determined by the county council.

B. The council estimates that the capital costs of design, remodeling, construction and equipping of the children and family justice center replacement project will be in the range of two hundred to two hundred ten million dollars.

SECTION 5. Deposit of levy proceeds. If approved by the voters, the levy proceeds shall be deposited in a first tier fund that shall be established by the council upon voter approval of the ballot measure. Proceeds from the fund shall be used solely for any eligible purpose identified in section 6 of this ordinance.

SECTION 6. Eligible expenditures. If approved by the qualified electors of the county, the levy proceeds shall be used only for capital costs for the children and family justice center replacement project.

SECTION 7. Call for special election. In accordance with RCW 29A.04.321, the King County council hereby calls for a special election to be held in conjunction with the general election on August 7, 2012. The director of elections shall cause notice to be given of this ordinance in accordance with the state constitution and general law and to submit to the qualified electors of the county, at the said special county election, the proposition.
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hereinafter set forth. The clerk of the council shall certify that proposition to the director of elections, in substantially the following form, with such additions, deletions or modifications as may be required for the proposition listed below by the prosecuting attorney:

PROPOSITION 1: The King County council has passed Ordinance 17304 concerning funding for a replacement facility for the Children and Family Justice Center. This proposition would authorize King County to levy an additional property tax to provide funding for capital costs to replace the Children and Family Justice Center, which serves the justice needs of children and families. It would authorize King County to levy an additional regular property tax of $0.07 per $1,000 of assessed valuation for collection in 2013. The 2013 levy amount would become the base upon which levy increases would be computed for each of the eight succeeding years, all as provided in Ordinance 17304. Should this proposition be:

Approved? ________
Rejected? ________


A. If the proposition in section 6 of this ordinance is approved by the voters, then, before requesting construction funds, the executive will submit to the council a report on alternatives for heating and cooling the new facility. The report shall contain, at a minimum:

1. Options for heating and cooling the building;
2. A discussion of the operating, maintenance and equipment replacement costs for the various options;
3. A discussion of the greenhouse gas contributions of the various options;
4. A discussion of how each option achieves the goals established by the Seattle 2030 district, of which King County is a participating member;
5. A discussion of any approved City of Seattle district energy project that might encompass the Children and Family Justice Center.

B. The executive must transmit the report required to be submitted by this section in the form of a paper original and an electronic copy with the clerk of the council, who shall retain the original and provide an electronic copy to all councilmembers, the council chief of staff and the lead staff for the budget and fiscal management committee or its successor.

SECTION 9. Severability. If any one or more of the provisions of this ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions of this ordinance, the bonds or any short-term obligations issued in anticipation thereof, and this ordinance, the bonds and any short-term obligations issued in anticipation thereof shall be construed and enforced as if such unconstitutional or invalid provisions had not been contained herein.

Ordinance 17304 was introduced on 3/5/2012 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 4/16/2012, by the following vote:

Yes: 8 - Mr. Phillips, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Gossett, Ms. Hague, Ms. Patterson, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Dunn and Mr. McDermott

No: 0

Excused: 1 - Ms. Lambert
If you have questions regarding the measures on your ballot you can contact the district proposing the measure at the information provided below.

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To obtain this pamphlet in an alternate format please contact King County Elections at 206-296-VOTE (8683).

Voting materials available in Chinese and Vietnamese

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