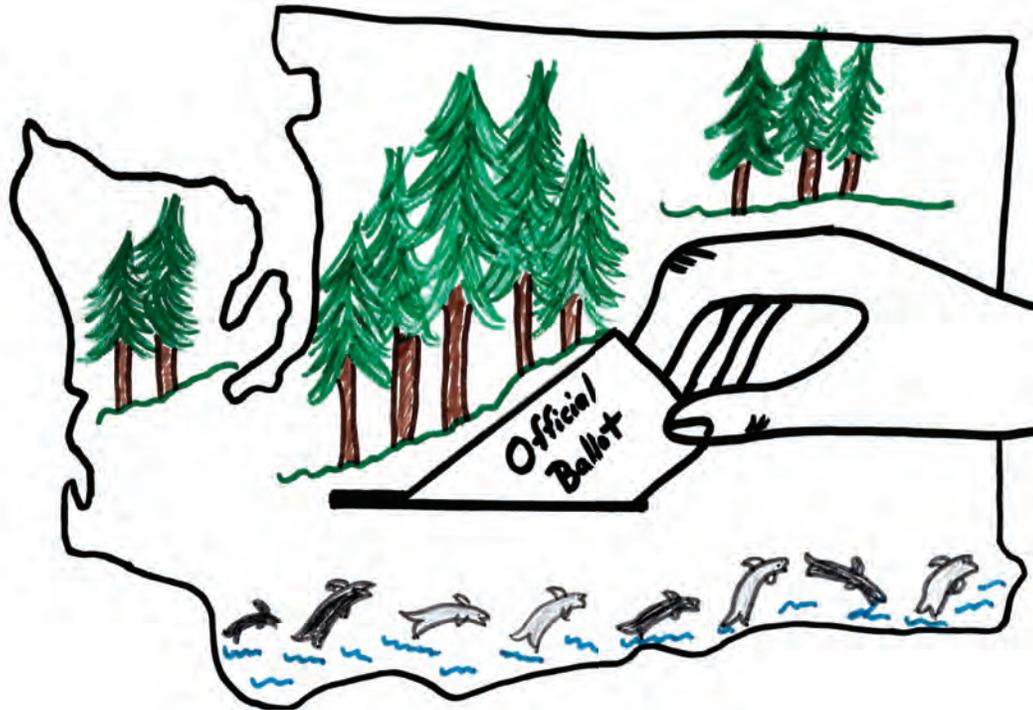


VOTERS' PAMPHLET

August 19, 2008 Primary



I Vote, I Count

Washington's New Top 2 Primary

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

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



Introduction to the 2008 Primary Voters' Pamphlet

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Sincerely,



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

SAM REED
Secretary of State

Dear King County voter:

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

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

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

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

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

Sincerely,



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

SHERRIL HUFF
Director
King County Elections

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

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

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

Visit our online voters' guide at www.vote.wa.gov

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Help America Vote Act Information

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

A. Person making complaint

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

B. Description of the alleged violation

Please identify:

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

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

Address Confidentiality Program

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

Need More Information?

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



Announcing Washington State's NEW

Top 2 Primary

Washington State has a new Top 2 Primary!

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

What is "party preference?"

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

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

Candidates may choose not to state a political party preference.

Sample ballot:

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



No more Pick-a-Party

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

How the Top 2 Primary works

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

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

Why Washington has a Top 2 Primary

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



Need more information?

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

Voting in Washington State

Voter Qualifications

To register to vote, you must be:

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

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

Registration Deadlines

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

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

How to Register to Vote

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

Keep Your Voter Registration Up-to-Date

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

Absentee Ballots

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

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

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

Election Dates and Poll Hours

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

Services and Additional Assistance

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

Contact the Office of the Secretary of State for:

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

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



Already registered? Check online to be sure!

Go to www.vote.wa.gov and click on the MyVote logo

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

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

Register to Vote

www.vote.wa.gov

Choose one of these easy options:

Online

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

By Mail

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

In Person

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



Say what?

Be smart. [Know your election terms.]

Primary

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

Top 2 Primary

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

Candidate

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

Party preference

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

Nominee

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

Endorsement

A public declaration of support for a candidate.

Partisan office

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

General Election

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

Public Access to Campaign Spending Reports

Contributions to Candidates and Political Committees

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

Registration and Reporting by Candidates and Political Committees

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

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

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

Independent Campaign Expenditures

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

Federal Campaigns

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

Need More Information?

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

Do you know what they do?

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



U.S. Congressional

Representative

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

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



State Executive Offices

Governor

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

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

Lieutenant Governor

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

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

Secretary of State

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

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

State Treasurer

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

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

State Auditor

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

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



State Executive Offices *(continued)*

Attorney General

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

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

Superintendent of Public Instruction

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

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

Commissioner of Public Lands

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

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

Insurance Commissioner

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

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

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



Legislative Offices

State Senator

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

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

State Representative

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

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





Goodspaceguy Nelson

(Prefers Democratic Party)

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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: An owner of real estate and stocks, Goodspaceguy is also an economist.

Education: Goodspaceguy received his Master of Science Degree from the University of Minnesota. Goodspaceguy previously studied for 3 years at Stockholm University in Sweden, having already earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in Germany and his high school diploma in Washington State.

Family: The life of Spaceship Earth is his family.

Significant Career Experience: Trying to understand the universe, Goodspaceguy became an amateur jack-of-all-trades and astronomer and economist and wants to advance rejuvenation and medical technology and wants tall buildings and more movies to be made in Washington State.

Candidate Statement

Goodspaceguy believes that the number one problem on Spaceship Earth is the tripling of people during the last hundred years. We numerous, brainy humans are exterminating wilderness and wildlife. Instead of starvation, genocide, and war, we should use nicer methods (such as the head tax and birth fees and study and work and social security) to decrease the number of people boarding Spaceship Earth. Goodspaceguy is pro choice on almost everything.

Goodspaceguy wants Orbital Space Colonization to be one of the great tasks for our new 21st Century. Through NASA, we have already paid the necessary money for the start of an Earth orbiting space colony, but our leaders have not been educated in orbital space colonization, and, therefore, they have wasted and are wasting much money. After profitable success in Earth orbit, we should then build additional profitable colonies in orbit around the Moon and Mars, where solar power is also plentiful.

Long ago, life from the seas of Earth colonized the land of Earth. The colonization of space by life from Earth is of similar significance.

Meanwhile on computerized Spaceship Earth, Goodspaceguy wants us to raise the quality-of-life by longevity research and by getting more people working, producing the goods and services that will make up our improving living standard and health. Let's improve the incentive system. Let's coax more people into productivity. Goodspaceguy wants safety-net employment of helpers. Goodspaceguy wants more people studying at our colleges during the underutilized evenings and weekends.

Please help raise the living standard by voting for the small spending candidates and by limiting your campaign contributions to less than \$25.

For more information, google the name Goodspaceguy Nelson or visit <http://colonizeorbitalspace.blogspot.com> .

Computer children of the Airplane Age, you should now begin building the Age of Space Colonization.



Mark A. Goldman

(States No Party Preference)

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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: Financial Planning - Self Employed

Education: BA Economics - Franklin & Marshall College; MBA Corporate Finance - The Wharton Graduate School; CLU - The American College

Family: I live with my wife on Vashon Island. Between us we have five children and eight grandchildren.

Significant Career Experience: Author • developer of financial and estate planning software • 25 years experience in financial services

Candidate Statement

I rise to defend the moon and stars, the air we breathe, the oceans and the rivers, the plants, and all living things upon this our Mother Earth... and you... and your children... and your sacred poem... before the salmon die, before the birds stop singing; before the bees forget how to fly.

The attacks upon the Earth, the betrayal of our fellow human beings and the assault upon decency itself must not be tolerated any longer. Justice is dying, honor is wounded, and now in the turmoil of everyday life many of us have become blind and deaf to the weeping and the pain. We cannot allow this to continue. Listen to your own heart.

You must come awake, regain your composure, admit the failure of our institutions, which is to say, our own failure to stay alert and exercise our responsibilities even as we are challenged by the turmoil of our daily lives. We have been betrayed. True enough. But we are the only ones who can fix this.

I offer you a strategy based on truth, honor, dignity, compassion, courage, and love. Stand with me that I might stand with you. Go to my web site and read: www.gpln.com .

Spend an hour, a day, a month there... until you understand. Then vote with honor. Be guided by your own intelligence and your own heart... not by someone else's tired opinions or prejudice. Alone in the voting booth, remember your pledge of allegiance; defend your honor, our Constitution... and the children.

Help me restore justice and the rule of law. A little thought, honesty, and courage is all it takes. Political parties have become a problem, not the answer. You are the answer. Vote for someone who will truly represent you. Take a chance. Vote your conscience.

U.S. Congressional District 7 Representative (Partisan Office)



Donovan Rivers

(Prefers Democratic Party)

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Biographical Information

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Developed small business incubator for entrepreneurship training and advancement. Co-chairman of the African American Community Advisory Council to the Seattle Police Department. Founded Washington State Criminal Justice Leadership Conference. Founded Good Shepherds Award Banquet. Founded Stay Focus Inside / Out Consulting Firm.

Candidate Statement

IT IS TIME FOR CHANGE. It is time for us to vote for a person that will take care of our great State of Washington. For the last decade we have allowed our communities to go without, because we’ve continued to re-elect a representative who has been distracted by personal issues. It is time to vote for a Congressperson who will get the job done for the voters of the 7th Congressional District.

My opponent has lost touch with the people he is paid to represent. His priorities are outside the State of Washington. He’s been absent as we deal with a failing economy, soaring fuel costs, while leaving our children to bear the burden of a growing federal deficit.

My opponent has earmarked \$30 million for the Mariners while missing-in-action as the Sonics leave Seattle. He totally pays no attention to 60% of the people that impact our communities. We need more job development programs and youth intervention programs.

For three decades I have worked in our communities, across cultural lines as an Advisor to law enforcement and elected officials at all levels of government. I will use my consensus building skills to work to restore America’s reputation and prominence internationally.

My focus will be on the 7th District. My priorities will be: tax relief for small businesses; our environment and sustainability; criminal justice reform; immigrant policy reform; public safety and border protection; and making sure we provide needed support services to the military who have served our Country. I will work to ensure you have affordable food, healthcare, transportation and home ownership. *I will also work with elected officials.* I will work tirelessly for you and your best interests.

“Change must happen now” Vote Donovan Rivers for Congress.



Al Schaefer

(States No Party Preference)

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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: Video Documentary—*Prevention of Cancer*, Writer – Health, Psychology

Education: B.S., M.A.; Post Grad Microbiology; Laboratory experiments with antibiotic for cancer; Cancer survivor – 1978

Elected Experience: Student Council President – HS; Pres. Cancer Victors and Friends; Program Chairman for same

Family: Widower; Divorced; daughter, son; three grandsons.

Significant Career Experience: Supervisor at P&W Aircraft – computer programming; Director of Engineering/Professor at Embry Riddle Aeronautical Institute; Director of School for Emotional Disturbed Children; Lobbyist – Citizens for Alternative Health Care; Moderator – Cancer Support Group; Articles for Townsend Letter; Producer; TV Series

Candidate Statement

As a Representative, I am devoted to the ideals expressed in the Preamble, Bill of Rights, and the DECLARATION. The Preamble outlines my devotion to “a more perfect Union.” Central to my effort is to “establish justice” and thus “insure domestic Tranquility.”

With your help I seek to correct injustice.

When judges infringe upon our individual sovereign Rights we are obliged to correct the violation. Specifically, Jury Nullification has been nullified by judges. Rarely do judges fully inform jurors of their power to judge the law and vote on the verdict according to their conscience. Knowing this, each of us can correct un-accommodating judges. Please support me in a law which explicitly requires judges to inform jurors of their right and power to judge the law and inform attorneys they may include an appeal to conscience in their arguments. Thus, as sovereigns, we can repeal an unjust law as applied to a specific case. (*Give me Liberty* by Gerry Spence.)

Coercive Income tax on wage is a blatant injustice. The IRS has no code to require a wage-earner pay tax on his wages. Income tax is voluntary and stated so in its manuals. There is no IRS law saying wages are income. Please help me legislate a requirement of the IRS to deduct wages from the total ‘income’ reported and inform wage earners that all their wages, including tips, are deductible. Furthermore, all IRS Tax disputes must be tried by a fully informed jury of twelve. Thus, another aggravation is removed, and tranquility enhanced. (*See America: From Freedom to Fascism* by Russo.)

Ask your Senator to introduce a Bill to review *9/11 Press for Truth* documentary. I propose these actions to correct injustices. With your help our proposals flower. Combined, with God’s help, our union can become tranquil again.

U.S. Congressional District 7 Representative (Partisan Office)



Steve Beren

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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: Employed by ShopLocal.com since 2003; currently Director of Operations (Seattle)

Education: Attended City College of New York, 1968-1970

Family: Married, no children; five nieces and two nephews; Steve is 56 years old; he and his wife live in Seattle and are members of Christian Faith Center

Significant Career Experience: Seattle resident since 1987; former member of Boeing machinists union, 1988-1989; extensive managerial experience in private industry; speaker, writer, and activist; 2006 congressional candidate; “five star conservative” – fiscal conservative, social conservative, national security conservative, immigration conservative, and optimism conservative

Candidate Statement

I challenge Congressman McDermott to a series of broadcast debates. It’s time to change Seattle’s one-sided political monopoly and restore healthy political diversity.

I’m endorsed by Dino Rossi, Rob McKenna, Slade Gorton, John Carlson, Kirby Wilbur, Human Life PAC, King County GOP, Washington State Republican Party, and many others.

I’m your voice for limited government, free market solutions, individual liberty, strong national defense, and constitutional principles.

As your Congressman, I’ll be working for you - rather than cozying up to dictators like Saddam Hussein and Fidel Castro!

We must sharply reduce government spending and cut taxes. With lower taxes, families have more money for their needs: mortgage, college education, and health insurance. With lower taxes, businesses have more money to invest, hire, and provide services. Less government bureaucracy improves the business climate and promotes job growth.

Illegal immigration hurts the economy, depresses wages of American workers, cheats legal immigrants, and burdens taxpayers. *I’m for secure borders and against amnesty for illegal immigrants.*

I’m committed to the protection of innocent, unborn human life. We have many rights, but it’s no accident that the Declaration of Independence recognizes the “right to life” first of all.

We derive our natural rights from our Creator – free speech, the right to bear arms, and the freedom to worship. *Reliance on constitutional principles – not more government bureaucracy – is best for our nation’s future.*

I’m the only candidate in the race who supports a victory strategy in the war against terrorism. I’m sick and tired of those (like the current congressman) who call our troops in Afghanistan and Iraq “mercenaries” in a “war on civilians.” I support our troops and I support their mission.

Visit www.BerenForCongress.com to learn how you can support my campaign. Let’s change the political atmosphere of the Pacific Northwest!



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Biographical Information

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

Education: -Graduate of Wheaton College, Illinois - M.D. from the University of Illinois College of Medicine in Chicago in 1963.

Elected Experience: -service in State Legislature, State Senate - 10 terms in Congress

Family: -Married to Therese Hansen - 2 adult children - 3 grandchildren

Significant Career Experience: -physician by training - 38 years in public service

Candidate Statement

We have tremendous opportunities ahead of us. Working together, we can move toward a bright, rewarding future. It has been a privilege to serve you these past two decades, and I ask for your support as I seek re-election to Washington's 7th Congressional District in the United States House of Representatives.

This historic election will choose a Congress eager to reassert our core American values, and to address forcefully the pressing needs of our country. Let us begin with an end to the war in Iraq, orderly withdrawal of our troops, and ongoing care for our soldiers and veterans. These last difficult years leave a sad legacy of needless war, staggering debt, and urgent domestic problems. First among them is a collapsing health care system that forsakes people daily with little or no access to medical coverage. We must develop a universal system of health care coverage that is fair, affordable, simple, and efficient.

I also am fully committed to affordable housing and education; fair and progressive wages and taxation; environmental protections

that meaningfully address the crisis of global warming and clean energy policies that embrace the promise of renewable resources; reproductive choice; uncompromised civil rights and civil liberties; and trade policies that respect worker's rights and protect the environment.

I look forward, too, to continuing as Chair of the House Ways and Means' Subcommittee on Income Security and Family Support. In addition to family services oversight and unemployment compensation, the Subcommittee is proposing significant, long overdue reforms to our foster care system. I am eager to continue this crucial work.

We have much to do in restoring to our country the esteem of the international community and the confidence of its citizens. I hope you will allow me again to represent you in the United States House of Representatives.

U.S. Congressional District 9 Representative (Partisan Office)



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Current Occupation/Employer: U.S. House of Representatives

Education: J.D., University of Washington, 1990; B.A., Fordham University, 1987

Elected Experience: United States Representative, 1997-Current; Washington State Senator, 1991-1996

Family: I live in Tacoma with my wife, Sara, and our two children, Kendall (8) and Jack (5).

Significant Career Experience: Prosecutor, City of Seattle, 1993-1995; Attorney, Cromwell, Mendoza and Belur

Candidate Statement

I grew up in the Ninth District. My father was a ramp serviceman at SeaTac, my mother a homemaker. They taught me the values that have guided me as a prosecutor, state senator, and congressman - integrity, hard work, personal responsibility, and independence. I live in Tacoma with my wife, Sara, and our two children - eight-year-old Kendall and five-year-old Jack.

It's my job to listen to you and to make commonsense decisions. You've told me that Congress needs a less partisan, independent voice, and someone who will fight for good jobs, affordable health care, quality public education, a clean environment, and strong national security.

I'm working to ensure our nation is prepared to compete and win in the global marketplace, and to give workers the support they need to get good jobs. I also support efforts to help workers and employers gain access to quality, affordable healthcare. Our current healthcare system is too expensive and inaccessible to too many people.

We need a public education system that is accountable and sets high standards, but also receives the support it needs to succeed. We also need to invest in alternative and renewable sources of energy to reduce our dependence on foreign oil, create new jobs, and maintain the high quality of life we demand in the Pacific Northwest.

We face new threats at home and abroad from terrorism, and I will continue to use my positions on the House Armed Services and Foreign Affairs Committees to forge a smarter foreign policy that engages more effectively with the world while ensuring our troops have the resources they need to keep America safe. I'm proud to represent so many military personnel, veterans, and their families, and will continue to be a strong advocate for them.



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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: Retired engineer with various defense contractors • Held national security clearance at Secret level • Currently self employed in construction, philanthropy, and writing.

Education: Graduate of Purdue University • BS in Mechanical Engineering • Post graduate work at UCLA in control systems • Studied with Alexander Hamilton Institute of Business.

Family: Married to Frances Postma, three children, seven grandchildren.

Significant Career Experience: Have been active in politics for forty years with Political Action Committees and supporting candidates for office • Ran for state representative in 1984 • Church council and Treasurer • Elected President of numerous professional and sports groups • listed in Marquis *Who's Who In The West*, 1986-1996 /*World* 1992.

Candidate Statement

I have the vision and intelligence to effect worldwide problem solution with wide experience; am well traveled and have the confidence to be your congressman.

We need to *stop the terrorists* and finish our occupation of Iraq. There should be no safe havens for them. Our biggest mistake has been not having a stable political system in Iraq that will protect minorities. We have been in Iraq longer than WWII. Let's win this war and bring our soldiers home.

The best way to stimulate the economy is thru *tax cuts*. The Reagan tax cuts of 1986 and Bush tax cuts of 2002 produced strong results • The US dollar should be made stronger against other world currencies thereby reducing inflation.

We have the oil reserves to meet our needs and bring down the high price of oil but must satisfy environmental concerns. How high will we let the price of gasoline go before we act? Under the current supply/demand world situation, there is more demand than supply so some users will get squeezed out by higher prices.

We can do more on alternative energy • Making corn into fuel will not work and is causing a food crisis in poorer nations • There is a safe form of nuclear energy which does not have a disposal problem. It is being used in Europe now. We invented this process in 1976 and we should be using it.

Our health care system is wonderful but very expensive. We need to reduce medical, legal, and insurance costs by encouraging alternative medicine and wellness programs and limiting legal and insurance costs.

The social security system has had all of the surplus needed for future use spent on current needs. This surplus should be restored and invested to provide for an expected shortfall.

Governor (Partisan Office)



Dino Rossi

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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: Commercial Real Estate

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

Elected Experience: Washington State Senate, 1996-2003

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

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

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

Candidate Statement

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



Will Baker

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

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

How?

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

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Candidate Statement

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

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

How?

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

How?

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

The Brian Ebersole Story

Fact: Brian Ebersole lived in Tacoma.

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

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

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

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

Governor (Partisan Office)



Christine Gregoire

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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: Governor, Washington State

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

Elected Experience: Attorney General, 1992-2004

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

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

Candidate Statement

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

Strengthening Our Economy

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

Protecting Our Children

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

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

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

Creating a Cleaner Future

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

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

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



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Biographical Information

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

Education: BA, Political Science, Dickinson College.

Elected Experience: Candidacy approved, Washington Green Party.

Family: Two children, five grandchildren.

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

Candidate Statement

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

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

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

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

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

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

Governor (Partisan Office)



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Biographical Information

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

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

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

Candidate Statement

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

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

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

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

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



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Family: Single.

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

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

Candidate Statement

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Governor (Partisan Office)



Christopher A. Tudor

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Biographical Information

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

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

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

Candidate Statement

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

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

Fair taxes are one key to making the system work.

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

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

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

Vote Tudor!



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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: Retired

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

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

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

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

Candidate Statement

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Governor (Partisan Office)



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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: Self Employed Medical Doctor

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

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

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

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

Candidate Statement

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

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

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

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

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

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

Other issues are in my platform.

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

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

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



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Biographical Information

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

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

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

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

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

Candidate Statement

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

VOLUNTEER AND DONATE NOW

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Lieutenant Governor (Partisan Office)



Brad Owen

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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: Lieutenant Governor, State of Washington

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

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

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

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

Candidate Statement

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

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

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

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



Marcia McCraw

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Biographical Information

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

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

Elected Experience: Makiki Council, Honolulu, Hawaii

Family: Divorced; two adult children

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

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

Candidate Statement

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

I ask for your support and vote.

Lieutenant Governor (Partisan Office)

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Arlene A. Peck

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Biographical Information

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

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

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

Candidate Statement

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

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

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

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

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

It is time to take a stand.



Jim Wiest

(Prefers G.O.P. Party)

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Biographical Information

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

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

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

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

Candidate Statement

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

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

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

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

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

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

Go to www.EndHomelessnessNow.info for details and VOTE JIM WIEST your next Lt. Governor.

Lieutenant Governor (Partisan Office)

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Submitted

Randel Bell

(Prefers Democratic Party)

No statement submitted.



Military and Overseas Voters

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

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

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

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



Sam Reed

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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: Secretary of State since 2001.

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

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

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

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

Candidate Statement

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

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

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

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

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

–Sam Reed



Mark Greene

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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: Administrative Clerk/Paralegal

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

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

Candidate Statement

Top 2

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

Initiatives

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

The Ballot

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

Democracy

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

Secretary of State (Partisan Office)



Jason Osgood

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Biographical Information

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

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

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

Candidate Statement

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

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

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

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

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

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

Recurring election problems have eroded voter confidence in the system.

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

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

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



Marilyn Montgomery

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

Candidate Statement

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

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

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

I will greatly appreciate your vote.



Allan Martin

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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: Assistant State Treasurer

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

Family: Married to Sue Martin. Three adult children.

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

Candidate Statement

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

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

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



Jim McIntire

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Biographical Information

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

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

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

Family: • Three children; graduated Seattle Public Schools

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

Candidate Statement

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

State Treasurer (Partisan Office)



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Biographical Information

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

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

Family: Married to Sukjoo Sohn, with two children

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

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

Candidate Statement

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

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

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

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

Thank you for your vote.

State Auditor (Partisan Office)

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Brian Sonntag
(Prefers Democratic Party)

Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: State Auditor.

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

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

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

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

Candidate Statement

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

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

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

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

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

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

Hire Brian Sonntag your State Auditor.



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Biographical Information

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

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

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

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

Candidate Statement

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

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

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

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

State Auditor (Partisan Office)



J. Richard (Dick) McEntee

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

Candidate Statement

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

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

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

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

Biographical Information

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

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

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

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

Attorney General (Partisan Office)



John Ladenburg

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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: Pierce County Executive

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

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

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

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

Candidate Statement

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



Rob McKenna

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Biographical Information

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

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

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

Candidate Statement

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

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

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

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

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

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

Commissioner of Public Lands (Partisan Office)



Peter J. Goldmark

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Biographical Information

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

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

Elected Experience: Two-term Okanogan School Board Member

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

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



Doug Sutherland

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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: Public Lands Commissioner

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

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

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

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

Candidate Statement

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

Sustainable Forest Management

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

Clean Rivers and Puget Sound

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

Healthy Schools and Communities

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

Addressing Climate Change

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

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

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

Candidate Statement

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

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

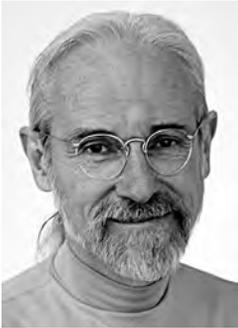
A former small business owner, Doug runs government like a business because good business and environmentally responsible stewardship go hand in hand. He created projects offering wind power to thousands of Washington homes, removing contaminants from Puget Sound and encouraging responsible forestry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

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

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

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John Patterson Blair

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Biographical Information

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

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

Elected Experience: Vashon School Board 2000-04

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

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

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

Candidate Statement

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

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

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

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

If you agree, vote for John Blair.



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Biographical Information

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

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

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

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

Candidate Statement

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

Superintendent of Public Instruction (Nonpartisan Office)



Randy Dorn

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Biographical Information

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

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

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

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

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

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

Candidate Statement

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

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

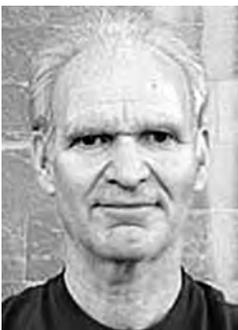
Randy was an elementary and middle school teacher and, for 10 years, an elementary and high school principal. *Randy Dorn knows the classroom.*

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

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

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

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



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Biographical Information

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

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

Candidate Statement

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

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Elected Experience: City Council Member, City of Edgewood

Family: Married with three children

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

Candidate Statement

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



Teresa (Terry) Bergeson

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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: State Superintendent of Public Instruction

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

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

Candidate Statement

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

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

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

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

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

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

Insurance Commissioner (Partisan Office)



Mike Kreidler

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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: Insurance Commissioner, State of Washington

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

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

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

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

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

Candidate Statement

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



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Biographical Information

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

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

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

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

Candidate Statement

Your Insurance Commissioner must be more than an administrator.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Vote John Adams for Insurance Commissioner!!

Insurance Commissioner (Partisan Office)

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

Candidate Statement

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

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

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

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

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

To find out more, see CurtFackler.com .

Legislative District 11 State Senator (Partisan Office)



Juan Martinez

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Biographical Information

Education: A graduate of the Evergreen State College, Juan is also a classically trained pastry chef and resides on Beacon Hill.

Family: Raised in a military family, Juan grew up on Army bases around the U.S. and in Europe.

Significant Career Experience: Juan Martinez has over ten years experience in public service and has tackled tough issues from housing policy to tax fairness. Juan currently serves as a Commissioner for the Seattle Housing Authority and is a member of the Seattle Central Community College Foundation Board.



Margarita Prentice

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Biographical Information

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Education: Phoenix Union High School, Phoenix College, Youngstown University, attended University of Washington.

Elected Experience: Majority caucus vice chair, chaired Financial Institutions, Labor, Commerce, Housing, and Insurance Committees; completing 4th year as chair - Ways & Means Committee. Also served on Transportation and Education Committees. 14th year as an ex-officio member of Washington State Gambling Commission.

Family: 3 children, 5 grandchildren, married to Bill 45 years; widowed in 2003

Significant Career Experience: Registered Nurse (retired); appointed to House in 1988, elected twice for 2-year terms; elected to Senate in 1992.

Candidate Statement

With gas prices above \$4 a gallon and foreclosures skyrocketing, families are suffering. We need a Washington State Senator that will be the voice of us, the people of the 11th District.

I am ready to be that voice.

We need a state senator who will be an advocate for our working families, focusing on quality schools, reducing the high cost of living, providing accessible health care for all, and getting us out of our transportation mess.

I will be an advocate for working families.

The current Senator supports using hundreds of millions of public tax dollars to build two new stadiums. The Sonics stadium alone would cost the taxpayers \$300 million. And, she opposes caps on predatory payday lenders who can currently charge 391% interest.

Why is our state senator trying to spend our tax dollars on professional sports stadiums and doing nothing to help increase our access to fair credit?

I will bring a fresh voice to the legislature. I will be different. Working families in the 11th District will be my priority.

Please vote for me, Juan Martinez, and bring a change to Olympia that represents you and your values.

Candidate Statement

An Effective, Progressive Leader...

The official 11th LD Democratic Senate nominee, State Senator Margarita Prentice, is a leader in Olympia who gets results for our local families.

GOOD JOBS: Margarita knows a strong, growing economy will provide family wage jobs with benefits. She has invested in worker training programs, small business expansion, and fought to keep Boeing in Renton.

QUALITY SCHOOLS: A former school board leader, Margarita and her children are public school graduates. She has increased funding for K-12, early learning, and higher education.

AFFORDABLE HEALTH CARE: A retired nurse, Margarita has reduced costs for seniors, expanded coverage for kids and small businesses.

In Touch With Our Values...

Growing up in the Depression, Margarita learned the core values of being frugal, working hard, and helping others. She has led on tough issues – child labor, migrant worker housing, protection of civil rights, and the impact of globalization. She is a powerful voice for justice and equality.

“We Endorse Margarita!”—Washington State Labor Council; Washington Education Association; Washington Conservation Voters; Washington State Nurses Association; King County Democrats; Firefighters and Law Enforcement; Representatives Zack Hudgins and Bob Hasegawa; hundreds more!

Let’s keep her working for us!



Scott McKay

(Prefers Democratic Party)

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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: Employee rights attorney, private practice.

Education: University of Washington (B.S., 1979); USC Law School (J.D., 1982).

Family: Scott McKay comes from an old Seattle family that has lived in Washington for over 130 years. His daughter studies agriculture at WSU.

Significant Career Experience: An accomplished lawyer with 26 years experience, Scott McKay has worked both as a criminal prosecutor (King County Prosecutor's Office) and as a trial attorney advocating for workplace rights. His significant cases include the landmark Washington Supreme Court case of *Drinkwitz v. Alliant Techsystems*, which established fundamental principles concerning the right to overtime pay.

Candidate Statement

Scott McKay is different from the other candidates.

Smart, innovative and a survivor of kidney cancer, he is willing to stand up and challenge conventional political thinking.

Scott McKay is a fighter who will bring fresh and revitalized leadership to the 11th District. With independence and a "can do" attitude, he will breathe new life into the struggle for things we care about: affordable health care, quality schools, and renewed prosperity for working people.

Unlike the other candidates, Scott McKay has a certified record of success in fighting for the legal rights of families.

And unlike the other candidates, Scott McKay will not give in to partisan political pressures or special interests.

With his characteristic strength and determination, Scott McKay will tackle issues that the incumbent, Margarita Prentice, will not.

He will push to repeal the *Internet Poker Ban*, a law that unfairly criminalizes the recreational hobby of tens of thousands of law-abiding citizens. And he will take on the special interests by moving to cap the outrageous fees that are charged by payday lenders (365% APR!).

Let's face it, difficult challenges are ahead. But hope is on the way. Vote for renewal and change. Vote for Scott McKay.

Legislative District 11

State Representative Position 1 (Partisan Office)



David M. Morris

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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: Union Carpenter

Education: Construction Management Certificate, Edmonds Community College

Elected Experience: For over 30 years my taxes have paid the salaries of elected politicians

Family: Single

Significant Career Experience: • United States Marine Corps 1972-74 (Vietnam), Cpl/Squad Leader H&S Co. BLT 1/9, 3rd Marine Division • Rockwell Int'l airframe assembly (Palmdale)

for B-1B Bomber, C-5 Galaxy and P-3 Orion. Awarded B-1B #70 commendation for tooling innovation and early delivery. • 30 years in construction trades • Professional Designations: Certified Building Inspector by International Code Council

Candidate Statement

SECURE THE BORDER NOW!

- Unethical hiring of illegal aliens is driving down wages and dumping costs of crime and welfare upon you, the honest taxpayer.
- In 2004 alone DSHS gave over \$100,000,000 of your tax money to illegal alien medical care (\$57,000,000 pregnancy-related). (<http://www.sao.wa.gov/reports/findings/6534.pdf>)
- Democrat bosses killed Republican legislation requiring proof of legal presence for driver's licenses. It's time for change! Send me to Olympia and I'll vote in Initiative-409 to eliminate rampant lawlessness (www.RespectWashington.us) It's time to put a working man to work for you in Olympia.



Zack Hudgins

(Prefers Democratic Party)

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Biographical Information

Education: In 1990, with scholarships and hard work, Zack graduated from the University of Notre Dame.

Elected Experience: First elected in 2002, he credits his success to listening to his constituents. As the Democratic Floor Leader, Zack is focused on creating good paying jobs with benefits, protecting the environment, finding transportation solutions, and making health care more affordable.

Family: Zack Hudgins' father was a Navy pilot who now flies commercial 747s. His mother has been teaching economics for 30 years. Zack bought his home in Tukwila in 2004.

Significant Career Experience: Zack has worked in both the public sector and the high technology field.

Candidate Statement

I never forgot why I was first elected to the state legislature, to help create and protect jobs in our district and Washington State. While in Olympia, I remember the people I talked to in our neighborhoods and businesses who are worried about the economy. That's why I fought to keep Boeing here, and led a state task force focused on outsourcing. I voted to put people to work building more schools and more roads. I would like your support so that I can go back to Olympia and keep focusing on creating and protecting our jobs.

Legislative District 11

State Representative Position 2 (Partisan Office)



John Potter

(Prefers Republican Party)

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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: Special Needs and At-risk Youth ParaEducator / Highline School District, Law office Business Manager, Rental property owner.

Education: University of Washington, South Seattle Community College

Elected Experience: Has never taken one penny of elected official salary and pledges to never become a full-time legislator.

Family: Proud Father and Grandfather

Significant Career Experience: Scoutmaster and Boy Scout leader for over 30 years (Troop 270)

Candidate Statement

- Unethical hiring of illegal aliens is driving down your wages and dumping costs of crime and welfare upon the honest taxpayer.
- In 2004 taxpayer-funded medical care for illegal aliens in Washington exceeded \$100,000,000. How many of your dollars is Gregoire's DSHS now handing over to what Democrats and some Republicans see as their new base of voters? We are being sold out! Read <http://www.sao.wa.gov/reports/findings/6534.pdf>
- Send me to Olympia and I'll vote in Initiative-409 (www.RepectWashington.us) to eliminate this rampant lawlessness.



Bob Hasegawa

(Prefers Democratic Party)

Bob Hasegawa for State Representative
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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: Heavy Construction Equipment Operating Engineer, IUOE612

Education: Antioch University, BA, AOC: Labor Relations, Organizational and Social Change; Shoreline CC, AA Labor Studies; Seattle Central CC, Information Technology; Cleveland High, Seattle

Elected Experience: State Representative, two terms; Committees: Finance, Vice Chair; Capital Budget; Higher Education; Joint Administrative Rules Review Committee, Chair; Lt. Governor's Committee on Economic Development and International Relations

Family: Single, Two Daughters

Significant Career Experience: Teamsters Local 174, Secretary-Treasurer (9 yrs); Asian Pacific American Labor Alliance, AFL-CIO National Executive Board; U of W Harry Bridges Center for Labor Studies, Board; Teamster Construction Health & Welfare Trustee; International Teamsters Human Rights Commissioner; King County Labor Council Board; JACL Board

Candidate Statement

Bob is a lifelong resident of our district and knows our issues. He is a tireless advocate for working families and a proven leader of the Teamsters Union winning top wages, healthcare and retirement benefits in the country.

In our community, Bob's also a longtime social justice activist fighting for civil rights, equity of opportunity, and protecting our environment.

As a father, Bob knows the importance of strong schools, safe and healthy communities, family wage jobs, and just good old-fashioned fairness in our system.

Let's keep Bob Hasegawa in Olympia -- a voice for working families.

Legislative District 34

State Senator (Partisan Office)



Joe McDermott

(Prefers Democratic Party)

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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: State Senator, 2007-present

Education: Master of Public Administration from the University of Washington; Bachelor of Arts in History and Political Science from Gonzaga University

Elected Experience: Served in the State House of Representatives, 2001-2007

Family: Partner: Michael Culpepper

Significant Career Experience: Senior Budget Analyst, Seattle Public Schools, 1998-2002; Assistant Grant Administrator, Pierce County Prosecuting Attorney's Office, 1992-1998

Candidate Statement

As your State Representative for the past 7 years, Joe McDermott advocated strongly for issues important to us. Appointed to the State Senate last October, McDermott continues his solid record of accomplishment. Joe served as the House Majority Caucus Education Policy Leader and led efforts to provide alternatives to the WASL, increase the accountability of the State Board of Education, and increase the availability of school meals.

Joe fought for the bill adding sexual orientation to Washington's anti-discrimination statutes that passed in 2006 and since then has been key in passage of Domestic Partnership legislation the last two sessions.

Earlier this year, his first session in the Senate, he introduced legislation to protect the Maury Island Aquatic Reserve, which he has supported since it was first created in late 2000. This session also brought the passage of legislation to allow local jurisdictions to establish public campaign funding, which McDermott championed for years.

Outside of the Legislature, Joe serves on the Boards of Southwest Youth & Family Services and the West Seattle Helpline. He is a third generation resident of West Seattle where he lives with his partner. Please vote to keep Joe working for our community!

Legislative District 34

State Representative Position 1 (Partisan Office)



Eileen L. Cody

(Prefers Democratic Party)

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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: Registered Nurse Clinician,
Group Health Cooperative

Education: Bachelor of Science in Nursing, Creighton
University

Family: Married to Tom Mitchell

Significant Career Experience: Registered Nurse for 32 years.
Elected to the State House of Representatives, 1994-2008

Candidate Statement

As chair of the house health care committee Eileen is leading the fight to provide access to health care for all Washingtonians. She has worked with other legislators to improve our public health, mental health and long term care systems. Eileen continues to focus on lowering the cost of health care while not decreasing the quality of care delivered, especially for small businesses. Eileen has worked to ensure that Washington State is a leader in health care purchasing strategies, so that our tax dollars are spent wisely. Eileen remains dedicated to improving access and affordability to health care for all.

State Representative Position 2 (Partisan Office)



Sharon K. Nelson

(Prefers Democratic Party)

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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: State Representative, 34th
District, Position 2; Chief of Staff to King County Councilmember
Dow Constantine

Education: BA in Psychology, Whitman College

Elected Experience: Appointed to State House of Representatives,
November 2007. As your Representative, I will work to reduce
class sizes and improve our schools. Making sure that every
child receives a quality education is the paramount duty of

our state government. I will fight to protect our quality of life
through improving transit, enhancing public safety and protect the
environment.

Family: Married to John R. Nelson, two daughters

Significant Career Experience: Founder, Preserve Our Islands
(Maury/Vashon Island Residents fighting to stop the Glacier strip
mine).

Candidate Statement

As your State Representative, Sharon Nelson is leading the battle
to protect our quality of life. During her first session in Olympia,
she passed legislation to provide local governments with tools
to address climate change. Serving on the Agriculture & Natural
Resources Committee, she worked to bring locally grown food to
our school lunch programs.

Sharon has an extensive public policy background, having
worked for the King County Council for more than six years. First
as a volunteer and then as your State Representative, Nelson has
fought to block construction of an industrial barging facility on
Maury Island's sensitive shoreline.

Legislative District 37

State Representative Position 1 (Partisan Office)



Sharon Tomiko Santos

(Prefers Democratic Party)

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Candidate Statement

As your 37th District State Representative, I am committed to improving our economic security, our health, and the education of our children. I led efforts to enhance job and market opportunities for underserved communities and small businesses in the emerging “green” economy. I fought to preserve long-term healthcare options for elders in the neighborhoods they helped build. I championed student-focused learning, meaningful family involvement in schools, and adequate state funding for public education so that *every* child achieves academic success. I am proud to serve the people of our community and I appreciate your support in this election.

Legislative District 37

State Representative Position 2 (Partisan Office)



Ruth E. Bennett

(Prefers Libertarian Party)

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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: • Community activist and volunteer lobbyist, • Successful small business owner

Education: Graduate of WSU in Anthropology

Elected Experience: Precinct Committee Officer

Family: Just celebrated 10 years with Life Partner, Dee Elliott, a hospice nurse with Group Health

Significant Career Experience: • President, People's Memorial Association and People's Memorial Funeral Cooperative, • Co-Chair, SEAMEC, • National Board Member, Funeral Consumer

Alliance, • Volunteer, Columbia City Cinema, • Usher Team Leader and Steward, Center for Spiritual Living, • Legislation/Litigation Committee Chair, LPWA, • Policy Sub-Committee, Compassion & Choices, • Verbena, • LGBT Community Center, • Women's Funding Alliance, • Pierce County Blue Ribbon Review Panel on Ranked Choice Voting (RCV), • Wrote legislation to implement RCV

Candidate Statement

Elect me to *your* Legislature so I can work from the inside to fight for more choices for the "little guys" who otherwise won't have a voice.

As President of People's Memorial Association (www.peoplesmemorial.org), a nonprofit funeral consumer cooperative, I lobby legislators and regulators to protect families from unethical practices and I work to increase choices by providing affordable, dignified cremation and burial services.

I also work to increase voters' choices. "Ranked Choice Voting" (www.fairvote.org/rcv/) eliminates the Pick-a-Party primary, ends "spoiler" concerns and saves taxpayers the cost of a primary. That's a win-win solution!



Eric Pettigrew

(Prefers Democratic Party)

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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: Director of External Relations/Safeco Insurance

Education: B.S. Sociology, Oregon State University; M.S.W. Community Organizing, University of Washington

Elected Experience: Elected Washington House of Representatives November 2002-Present; Served on the Early Learning and Children's Services Committee; Vice Chair of the Community Economic and Trade Committee; Served on the Appropriations Committee.

Family: Married to Jada Berteaux-Pettigrew, Son Justin 20 years old, Daughter Linda 8 years old

Significant Career 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; Executive Director Minority Youth Health Project, University of Washington.

Candidate Statement

Eric Pettigrew brings people together to get results

As your Legislator:

Sponsored legislation promoting the purchase of fresh produce from local farms to Washington State schools, farmers markets and food banks.

Successfully primed budget request to help grandparents raising their grandchildren, fund capital building projects including the Wing Luke and African American museum and parks for children with developmental disabilities.

Will continue to create more supports and incentives for dense housing development in urban areas.

Led the passage of legislation that improved wages for child care workers.

And many more initiatives to improve life in the 37th.

What judicial candidates can say

Two types of information are shown for each judicial candidate listed in this pamphlet:

1. A brief biography, supplied by the candidate, which includes the candidate's background and professional experience.
2. A brief, unedited statement, written by the candidate, about why you should vote for that individual.

Candidates' statements are governed by Canon 7 of Washington's Code of Judicial Conduct. The Code bars judicial candidates from making statements that appear to commit them on legal issues likely to come before them in court. The Canon also specifies that a candidate may not make misleading or untruthful statements.

How we select judges in Washington State

Nonpartisan Election: Originally, judges in Washington State were elected in partisan elections. This was changed in 1912 and since that time judges have been selected by nonpartisan election.

Appointment: When a justice of the Washington State Supreme Court or a judge of the state Court of Appeals or a superior court resigns or dies during a term of office, the Governor appoints a new judge to fill that position. The appointed judge must run in the next election.

All judges who complete their terms and wish to serve another must stand for a nonpartisan election.

The importance of primary elections

Candidates for the Supreme Court, Court of Appeals, and Superior Courts who are unopposed or who receive more than half of the votes in a primary election are thereby elected to the position. But if there are three or more candidates, and no one wins more than half the votes cast, the two with the most votes must face each other in the November general election.

Supreme Court (The successful candidate may be determined in the primary): The state's "court of last resort," the Supreme Court hears appeals from the Court of Appeals and other lower courts. Through its rule-making authority, it also administers the state court system.

Three of the court's nine justices come up for election every two years. Justices serve six-year staggered terms.

Court of Appeals (The successful candidate may be determined in the primary): The Court of Appeals hears most of the appeals that come up from the county-level superior courts. A total of 22 judges serve the court in three, multi-county divisions headquartered in Seattle, Tacoma and Spokane. Candidates run in one of three county groupings, or districts, within each division. Only voters registered within their districts can vote for them. Judges serve staggered, six-year terms.

Superior Court (The successful candidate may be determined in the primary): Superior courts are the state's courts of general jurisdiction. They hear felony criminal cases, civil matters, dissolutions (divorces), juvenile cases, and appeals from courts of limited jurisdiction. They are organized by county into 32 judicial districts. Candidates run in the county or counties within their district, and only voters within that district can cast ballots for them. Judges serve four-year terms.

Supreme Court Justice

Position 3 (Nonpartisan Office)



Mary Fairhurst

Re-Elect Justice Mary Fairhurst
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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: Supreme Court Justice

Education: Law degree with high honors in 1984; BA with honors in Political Science in 1979, both from Gonzaga University.

Legal/Judicial Experience: Supreme Court Justice, 6 years; Washington Attorney General's Office, 16 years, specializing in revenue, transportation, criminal justice and personnel; Supreme Court judicial clerk, 2 years. Admitted to the Washington State Bar Association in 1984.

Family: Oldest of 7, Aunt of 13, Godmother of many.

Significant Career Experience: Judicial Information System Committee, Chair; Board for Judicial Administration Public Trust and Confidence Committee, Chair; Council on Public

Legal Education, member; Washington State Bar Association, President and Board of Governors; Washington Women Lawyers, President.

Candidate Statement

Since you elected me to our Supreme Court six years ago, I have worked to improve our justice system, to make our courts efficient and responsive, to ensure access to justice for all, and to protect the rights of every person in Washington State.

I was raised in a loving family which placed great value on fairness, service and the dignity of every man, woman and child.

Every day I go to work aware that my decisions affect thousands of lives. Since joining the court I have decided over 600 cases. To every case I have brought an open mind, fairness, common sense and a commitment to uphold our Constitution.

We are a diverse people united by a common law and Constitution. As a Justice, I am obligated not to any group, but to respect the rule of law and uphold our Constitution. I am dedicated to ensuring that we have a legal system that treats people fairly, equally and protects the rights of everyone.

Endorsed by Washington State Troopers Association, Washington State Council of Firefighters, Washington Federation of Teachers, Washington State Labor Council, Washington Conservation Voters, Women's Political Caucus, Justices, Judges, attorneys, community leaders, and people throughout Washington.



Michael J. Bond

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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: Partner in Gardner Bond Trabolsi, a firm of 8 lawyers.

Education: Graduate of Gonzaga University Law School, 1978; Masters in Law, Sustainable International Development, University of Washington Law School, 2004.

Legal/Judicial Experience: 28+ years experience in trials, arbitrations, and appellate work, starting as Judge Advocate in the United States Marine Corps; Fellow in the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators.

Family: Happily married to Marianne Bond since 1976, two teenage children.

Significant Career Experience: Cases throughout Washington in 23 of our county courts, 3 federal courts, 9th Circuit Court of Appeals, 2 bankruptcy courts, administrative agencies, all three divisions of our Courts of Appeal and the Supreme Court.

Candidate Statement

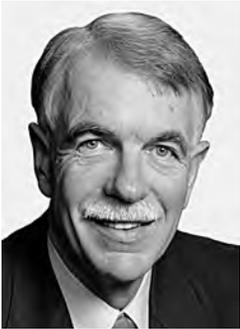
The courts are where our citizens go to seek justice. I have spent over 28 years in court helping people with real problems from all walks of life who seek justice. Since 1997 I've helped run my own small business, and we provide our employees a good place to work with excellent benefits.

Over the years, I've learned that the most important role of the courts is to protect the people from the power of government and the vested interests. To fulfill that responsibility, a judge should have a broad range of experience in and outside the law, clearly understand the difference between serving as judge and serving as legislator, and possess the courage to speak truth to power.

Our State Constitution established a government of limited power, but in too many opinions the incumbent voted to increase government power by approving government secrecy over public records; and she voted in ways that trample on our constitutional rights, overruling property rights, reducing privacy rights, and censoring free speech. Learn more about my views at www.bondforjustice.com .

We elect our judges and they remain accountable to the people. Preserve our liberty, vote Michael J. Bond for Justice.

Supreme Court Justice Position 4 (Nonpartisan Office)



Charles W. Johnson

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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: Associate Chief Justice, Washington State Supreme Court

Education: Seattle University School of Law, J.D. 1976, University of Washington, B.A. 1974, Curtis High School, Tacoma.

Legal/Judicial Experience: Justice Charles Johnson, the most senior member of the Washington State Supreme Court, has spent 18 years protecting individual rights, balancing the scales of justice for those less privileged, and improving court efficiency. For 12 years he has taught the Washington State Constitution at Seattle University School of Law. Before joining the State Supreme Court, Justice Johnson worked 14 years as a lawyer helping people with every-day needs.

Candidate Statement

Justice Charles Johnson has proven he understands and protects our rights and freedoms. For 18 years, his record shows his commitment to protecting privacy rights and holding government accountable, coupled with his courage and ability to decide the difficult issues the Court faces.

Evaluated by lawyers groups, Justice Johnson rates “exceptionally well qualified.” His fairness, intellect, common sense and impartiality are reflected by groups supporting his re-election, including: Washington State Labor Council, Association of Washington Business, Joint Council of Firefighters, American Federation of Teachers, Washington Conservation Voters, Washington State Young Democrats, Mainstream Republicans of Washington, Joint Council of Teamsters, and Rental Housing Association of Puget Sound.

The American Bar Association Council on Racial and Ethnic Fairness has recognized Justice Johnson’s efforts to improve justice for all persons.

We need Supreme Court Justices like Justice Charles Johnson, with proven experience, intelligence, integrity, fairness and impartiality. Hard work and difficult challenges underscore his entire life. He worked as a laborer to pay for his education and understands the value of our time and money.

A lifetime Washington resident, Justice Johnson and his wife, Dana, live in Gig Harbor.

For more information please visit www.justicecharlesjohnson.com.



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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: Third generation Washingtonian; self-employed, semi-retired lawyer closely following national affairs and writing a book tentatively entitled “Taking Stock . . . : What’s Still Right and What’s Gone Wrong in America: What YOU Can Do About It.”

Education: BA, University of Washington; JD, University of California Hastings College of the Law; continuing independent study of politics, history, and economics.

Legal/Judicial Experience: Over 30 years of varied, diverse trial and appellate experience in federal and state courts representing clients from individuals to Fortune 500 companies. Frequent arbitration and mediation service. Served as a Military Magistrate in the 13th Naval District.

Candidate Statement

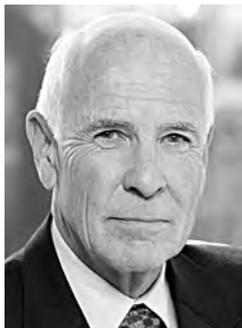
I want to improve the quality and output of decisions coming from the Supreme Court and increase efficiency in our judicial system. The first goal can be accomplished through intellectual honesty ensuring all decisions accurately describe the facts of the case and the issues of the parties present. A decision that does not meet these standards is not the case the parties brought, but one of the Court’s creation. When this occurs (and it has) justice is not been done. Unfortunately, only the parties and their lawyers usually realize this. I will work to implement a meaningful evaluation system of appellate judges so citizens can cast their votes intelligently and with understanding.

I will urge the Court to take up and decide more cases, particularly involving differences between Court of Appeals divisions. Leaving such issues undecided leaves uncertainty as to the law and creates unnecessary and/or more costly litigation. The number of cases decided by the Supreme Court today is far lower than in the past when there were only seven Justices with less staff and without the advantages of computer research and word processing.

Supreme Court Justice

Position 4 (Nonpartisan Office)

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James M. Beecher

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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: Attorney with Hackett, Beecher & Hart.

Education: Graduate of Lewis & Clark High School (Spokane), University of Puget Sound, and University of Washington Law School.

Legal/Judicial Experience: Admitted to practice: State and Federal Courts in Washington, 9th Circuit Court of Appeals and the U.S. Supreme Court. Served as Judge Pro Tem, Arbitrator, Mediator. Extensive trial experience: Western and Eastern District Federal Courts and 23 counties. Substantial appellate work.

Family: Married to Linda Beecher, 2 children, 1 grandchild.

Significant Career Experience: Before entering private practice served as a Prosecutor in the Seattle City Attorney's Office and a Senior Trial Lawyer in the Office of Attorney General.

Candidate Statement

From isolated chambers in Olympia, Supreme Court Justices affirm or reverse decisions of other judges and dictate the operating rules for Washington's Courts.

Our court rules need to be modernized. Many pretrial procedures are shamefully expensive and should be limited. Washington is a world leader in electronic technology but current rules do not allow the full benefit of that technology. After 18 years it is time to replace the incumbent with an attorney who has a broader and more current knowledge of actual litigation practices.

My experience has uniquely prepared me to understand the needs and concerns of litigants throughout Washington. I have handled many hundreds of cases across our state representing governments, businesses and individuals in cases as diverse as consumer protection, construction, civil rights, insurance and the environment.

I have set verdict records in several counties and have consistently received *Martindale's* highest rating for legal ability and integrity. The *American Board of Trial Advocates* elected me to membership. I am included in the publication, *The Best Lawyers In America*, and *Washington Law and Politics* lists me as a *Super Lawyer*. *Metropolitan Seattle Magazine* identifies me as one of the *Best Lawyers in Seattle*.

Supreme Court Justice Position 7 (Nonpartisan Office)



Debra L. Stephens

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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: Justice, Washington Supreme Court

Education: B.A. and J.D., Gonzaga University; West Valley High, Spokane.

Legal/Judicial Experience: Extensive trial and appellate practice on both sides of Washington, including 120+ appearances before the Washington Supreme Court. Author and speaker at 100+ legal seminars. Appointed, then elected to Division Three of the Court of Appeals before joining the Supreme Court.

Family: Married 19 years to Craig Stephens; two children.

Significant Career Experience: Adjunct Professor at Gonzaga Law School since 1995, teaching state and federal Constitutional Law, Community Property and Appellate Advocacy. School board

director from 1996-2007. Former community college instructor and Assistant Dean of Admissions at Gonzaga.

Candidate Statement

The first woman from Eastern Washington to serve on the State Supreme Court, Justice Debra Stephens brings unique experience as an attorney, constitutional law scholar, and Appeals Court judge to the bench. Rated “Exceptionally Well Qualified” by five separate Bar Associations, she is committed to protecting the rights and liberties of all Washingtonians.

Justice Stephens raised her family in Spokane while maintaining a law practice specializing in serving victims of crimes and their families.

On the Supreme Court, Justice Stephens is committed to upholding and respecting our laws and constitution free from bias, with a firm commitment to our shared values. Justice Stephens believes firmly that the law should be grounded in common sense, and address the needs of real people.

Active in her church and community, former chair of her local school board and a volunteer mentor to young women, Justice Debra Stephens brings real-world perspective and outstanding legal qualifications to the Supreme Court.

Endorsers include former Justices Richard Guy and Faith Ireland, dozens more former and current judges; Washington State Patrol Troopers, State Labor Council, State Council of Firefighters, business leaders, teachers, Conservation Voters, legal peers, community leaders, and both Republicans and Democrats throughout Washington.

Court of Appeals, Division 1, District 1

The following candidate did not submit a statement for publication:

Judge Position 5 (Nonpartisan Office)

Linda Lau

Court of Appeals, Division 1, District 1 Judge Position 6 (Nonpartisan Office)



Ann Schindler

Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: Judge Schindler has served with distinction on the Court of Appeals since 2002 and currently serves as the Chief Judge for Division I.

Legal/Judicial Experience: Judge Schindler was a trial judge in King County Superior Court for 10 years. She was named the first Chief Judge of the Regional Justice Center and the Chief Asbestos Judge. Prior to being a judge, she was a senior attorney in the Prosecutor's Office and was in private practice with the law firm of Culp, Dwyer, Guterson and Grader.

Candidate Statement

The Washington State Court of Appeals decides most cases on appeal from the trial courts, including appeals in civil, criminal, juvenile, and family law matters. A panel of three judges decides several hundred cases a year and each judge authors opinions in approximately 70 cases. Judge Ann Schindler has the experience and leadership qualities we need on the Court of Appeals.

Judge Schindler has received the Outstanding Judge of the Year award from the King County Bar Association and the Vanguard and the President's award from Washington Women Lawyers.

Please vote to re-elect Judge Ann Schindler to the Court of Appeals. Thank you.

King Superior Court Judge Position 1 (Nonpartisan Office)



Susan Amini

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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: Attorney, Amini Law Firm

Education: J.D., University of Maryland Law School.

Legal/Judicial Experience: 18 years experience in criminal, civil and family law; Judge Pro Tempore throughout King County since 1994; Hearing Officer for the Washington State Bar; Law Clerk for Hon. Judge John Gossert Jr.; admitted to the Washington State Bar, Western Washington Federal Bar, and U.S. Supreme Court Bar.

Family: Married; husband works at Boeing; son attends law school

Significant Career Experience: I have tried hundreds of cases and represented a wide array of clients, from the at-risk elderly, to victims of domestic violence and child abuse, small business owners, and the disabled.



Tim Bradshaw

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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: Senior Deputy Prosecuting Attorney – King County.

Education: JD, Seattle University, 1988; BA, University of Puget Sound, 1984.

Legal/Judicial Experience: Twenty years courtroom experience handling civil and criminal cases. Bradshaw tried dozens of complex trials of sexual assault, animal abuse, and high-profile murders including convictions on the murder of Mia Zapata, the deaths of four Seattle firefighters, and “Seattle’s Shipyard Shooting.”

Family: Tim grew up in south King County. He lives with his wife and young son in Seattle.

Significant Career Experience: Lead prosecutor on groundbreaking, CSI cases, including the first DNA case in

Candidate Statement

I am honored to be running for Superior Court Judge, and pledge that, once elected, I will work to improve access to justice for all.

Superior Court Judges preside over criminal and civil cases; I have extensive experience with both, including hundreds of trials throughout King County. As a Pro Tem Judge, I am known for being fair but firm on the bench, holding offenders accountable, while ensuring that all parties have an opportunity to be heard.

Nothing has taught me more about the importance of fairness and equal opportunity than when my son, Cyrus, became blind at age 8. I advocated tirelessly with the public school district to ensure that he and other students with disabilities received the same opportunities as their peers.

I have served as a Trustee of Overlake Hospital, a Bellevue Human Services Commissioner, and an arbitrator for the Washington State Bar. I have received high ratings from the King County Bar and Latina/o Bar, and the sole endorsement of the American Immigration Lawyers Association (Washington Chapter).

Endorsers include Gary Locke, Ron Sims, retired King County Sheriff James Nickle, Roberto Maestas, Nancy Rising, Bob Santos, Ruth Woo, 33rd District Democrats, and over forty judges/elected officials.

County history. Founding member, Homicide Unit. Recipient, Norm Maleng Outstanding Trial Advocacy Award.

Candidate Statement

The King County Bar rates Tim Bradshaw as “*Exceptionally Well Qualified*,” its highest rating and the *highest rating in this race*. With 120 *Superior Court* jury trials, Bradshaw offers voters proven courtroom experience, and a lifelong record of public service.

Known for his fairness, knowledge of the law, and integrity, Bradshaw is the only candidate to earn three “Exceptionally Well Qualified” ratings (King County, Latina/o, and GLBT Bar Associations), and the Washington Women Lawyers only “Highly Qualified” rating in this race.

For two decades, Bradshaw has served this community representing victims in court to bring murderers, batterers, and sexually violent predators to justice. This experience, plus involvement with the YWCA’s “Girl’s First,” has prepared Bradshaw to manage a courtroom that respects jurors and *all* participants. Bradshaw’s Superior Court qualifications are unmatched in this race.

Incumbent Pos. 01 judge, Charles Mertel, strongly endorses Bradshaw’s candidacy. Please join Judge Mertel, County Executive Ron Sims, Supreme Court Justice Bobbe Bridge, Hon. Susan Agid, Hon. Marlin Appelwick, many judges, Community leaders, former U.S. Attorney Mike McKay, WSBA President Ron Ward (former), Judy Maleng, IFPTE Local 17, Chinese Chamber of Commerce, and support the most experienced candidate in this race—Tim Bradshaw for Superior Court.

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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: Assistant Attorney General

Education: Seattle University; Villanova Law School

Legal/Judicial Experience: Arbitrator on over 75 cases and mediated hundreds of cases in civil rights, employment discrimination, wrongful death, medical malpractice, breach of contract and negligence. Two decades of experience in the public sector, private sector and in-house as the Director of General Liability for Nordstrom.

Family: Married, two daughters

Significant Career Experience: Represented employees and Washington State in Superior, Federal, and Appellate Courtrooms in 18 counties. Volunteered thousands of hours on behalf of the indigent; as a guardian ad litem for children in foster care; protecting victims of domestic violence; and at the Ronald McDonald House.

Candidate Statement

“Her trial results were outstanding, and her...clients have consistently expressed their confidence in her and the high quality of her work.” --Governor Chris Gregoire

“Suzanne’s passion for the law and her compassion for public service ... make her, in my mind, a fine candidate for ...the Superior Court.” –Attorney General Rob McKenna

Assistant Attorney General Sue Parisien has two decades of *civil* trial experience - vital in Superior Court where civil cases outnumber criminal nearly 4 to 1. Through her public and private practice Sue has represented individuals, small businesses, and the State of Washington. No other candidate brings this breadth of experience.

An award-winning advocate for the vulnerable, Sue provides free legal representation to victims of domestic violence and worked to ensure low-income citizens have equal access to justice. A breast cancer survivor, Sue works with non-profits dedicated to early detection.

Rated: “Exceptionally Well Qualified” and “Well Qualified”

Endorsers: Governor Booth Gardner, Rob McKenna, Bellevue Mayor Grant Degginger; State Senator Margarita Prentice, State Representatives Clibborn, Jarrett and Hudgins; King County Councilmembers Julia Patterson, Larry Phillips and Dow Constantine; former Secretaries of the Departments of Transportation, Corrections and DSHS and; leading attorneys Jenny Durkan, Kevin Hamilton, David McDonald.

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Jean Bouffard

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Biographical Information

Legal/Judicial Experience: Bouffard has managed her own law firm for seventeen years and practiced law for over 20 years. While raising a family and working, she also devoted hundreds of hours to community service, chairing and serving on many Boards and Commissions such as King County Rural Forestry Commission, Covington Parks and Forestry Commission, and South County Community Network. She was Chair of the King County Washington Conservation Voters, and has experience in handling the growing number of land use and environmental law cases affecting our quality of life.

Family: Jean and Rick Bouffard have a son, 18, and a daughter, 14.

Candidate Statement

In recent years there has been an onslaught of county prosecutors and downtown Seattle lawyers joining the King County Superior Court. Nearly 75% of all the cases are civil, not criminal. Yet many of the newest judges come from the prosecutor's office. And, in every open Superior Court race, the prosecutor's office has a candidate.

What the Court needs is a judge who understands everyday legal problems, with experience helping individuals and small businesses with contract, employment, construction, business and real estate issues -- an attorney who practices common sense and gets the job done without a government agency or large law firm staff behind her.

I have spent over 20 years working on civil cases and for people without a voice: • For individuals and small businesses • For good land use policies • For members of our communities who cannot afford legal counsel.

Regularly appearing in the Superior Court has taught me that I have the work ethic, the legal reasoning skills and the dedication to fairness needed to perform the duties of judge. With your vote, I will combine my commitment to community service with my professional skills to serve you honorably and diligently as Judge.



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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: Senior Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

Education: Juris Doctorate and Masters degree in Social Work, University of Wisconsin

Legal/Judicial Experience: Currently Judge Pro Tem. Nineteen years courtroom experience in King County Superior Court. A respected senior prosecutor, Regina consistently earned convictions prosecuting the most serious felonies, murders and sex crimes. As a civil litigator, she defended civil rights and fought successfully for plaintiffs and defendants in labor and employment disputes.

Family: Happily married with two children, both in public school.

Significant Career Experience: Over 100 trials; achieved landmark State Supreme Court rulings on both the use of DNA evidence and sex offender registration. See www.CahanforCourt.com for more.

Candidate Statement

I am proud to have received the highest rating, "Exceptionally Well Qualified," from the King County Bar, Washington Women Lawyers, Joint Asian Bar, and Q-law.

I volunteer my services for the Northwest Women's Law Center, Anti-Defamation League, King County Sexual Assault Resource Center, and have counseled sexual assault and domestic violence survivors.

I look forward to continuing my years of public service and applying my criminal and civil law experience by serving on our Superior Court.

Distinguished from my opponents by my diverse experience and bipartisan support:

Organizations: King County Police Guild, Firefighters, King County Labor Council, Women's Political Caucus;

Community Leaders: Governor Gary Locke, Mayor Greg Nickels, County Executive Ron Sims, Judy Maleng, Mike McKay;

Over 40 Judges: including State Supreme Court Justices Bobbe Bridge, Mary Fairhurst, Susan Owens, Faith Ireland, Charles Z. Smith, Debra Stephens, Phil Talmadge, Robert Utter;

State Legislators: Mary Lou Dickerson, Bob Hasegawa, Zack Hudgins, Fred Jarrett, Claudia Kauffman, Phyllis Kenney, Jeanne Kohl-Welles, Al O'Brien, Jamie Pedersen, Eric Pettigrew, Margarita Prentice, Jay Rodne, Shay Schual Berke, Helen Sommers, Rodney Tom, Brian Weinstein;

Council Members: Tim Burgess, Richard Conlin, Jan Drago, Regan Dunn, Larry Gossett, Bruce Harrell, Kathy Lambert, Julia Patterson, Larry Phillips, Tom Rasmussen.

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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: King County Superior Court Commissioner and Judge Pro Tem.

Education: Seattle's Ingraham High School, University of Washington and Seattle University School of Law.

Legal/Judicial Experience: King County Superior Court Commissioner and Judge Pro Tem since 1998. Lead Family Court Commissioner since 2005. Trial attorney in private practice specializing in family law, domestic violence protection, civil and criminal felony and misdemeanor cases.

Family: Son of immigrant parents from Ukraine, one of three children.

Significant Career Experience: In 1998 appointed by King County Superior Court judges to serve as a Superior Court Commissioner.

Serving on Washington State Judicial College faculty training newly-appointed and elected judges throughout Washington.

Candidate Statement

Les Ponomarchuk's 10 years as a King County Superior Court Commissioner have uniquely prepared him for the many challenges faced by our elected judges. As a Superior Court Commissioner, Les is respected for his common sense justice that's fair and practical.

As a Superior Court Judicial candidate, Les Ponomarchuk has earned the highest rating – "*Exceptionally Well Qualified*" – by the King County Bar Association. He's also been endorsed by over 20 current and retired judges, elected officials from both parties, the Seattle Police Management Association (Captains and Lieutenants), the King County Corrections Guild and the King County Court Protection Guild.

A first-generation American, Les is the son of Ukrainian immigrants who first came to the United States because of the Nazi's devastation of their homeland. As a child, Les developed his strong work ethic early in life working a variety of odd jobs. The lessons he learned about the value of hard work and volunteerism are lessons Les carries with him to this day.

Les Ponomarchuk's combination of judicial experience, community support, and his proven commitment to justice are exactly the qualities we need in our judges.

On August 19th, please support Les Ponomarchuk for Superior Court #10.

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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: Pro tem (substitute) Judge, King County Superior Court, King County District Court.

Education: University of New Mexico, J.D. 1988, State University of New York, B.A. 1980.

Legal/Judicial Experience: Twenty years as lawyer and pro tem judge. Presided over thousands of cases in Superior, District, and Municipal Courts including multiple jury trials, bench trials, criminal, civil, dependency, and domestic violence matters. Intern Deputy Prosecutor.

Family: Married for 14 years, two children attending Seattle Public Schools. Member, Temple Beth Am

Significant Career Experience: First woman attorney in office to handle complex DNA trial. Recognized by Washington Women

Lawyers for service to the profession. Chair, Judicial Evaluations, Loren Miller (African-American) Bar.

Candidate Statement

As the daughter of an African-American father and Jewish mother who married when interracial marriage was illegal in many states, I learned early on the important values of due process, fairness, and equal justice for all.

Experience that counts: Since 2001, I've served as a pro tem judge in King County Superior, District, and Municipal courts. I treat everyone with dignity and respect, make fair and easily understood decisions grounded in common sense, and without bias or prejudice. As a lawyer, I protected the rights of the underprivileged. As an intern deputy prosecutor, I helped crime victims obtain justice. I've tried hundreds of cases from misdemeanors to complex felonies.

Community: I've volunteered thousands of hours in my community protecting abused children as board member for the Northwest Children's Fund, helping homeless and abused women, mentoring minority law students, and PTA.

I ask for your vote.

Broad-based endorsements from: King County Police Officers Guild, Women's Political Caucus; Mercer Island Firefighters; thirty-five judges, including nine Supreme Court and Court of Appeals judges; twenty-three elected officials, both Democrats and Republicans, sole endorsement 33rd, 43rd legislative district Democrats. Rated "Exceptionally Well Qualified" or "Well Qualified" by every bar association that rates judicial candidates.



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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: Judge Pro Tempore, King County District Court; Seattle and Lake Forest Park Municipal Courts; Trial Advocacy Teacher.

Education: JD, Northwestern University Law School; BA, Vassar College.

Legal/Judicial Experience: Trial lawyer public and private sectors, Washington, Illinois and Federal Courts. Judge Pro Tempore. UW Certified mediator. Adjunct faculty UW Law School. Program Director National Institute for Trial Advocacy.

Family: Married, two children.

Significant Career Experience: Federal civil rights attorney. Argued simple and complex civil and criminal cases in Municipal,

District, Superior, Appellate and Federal Courts. Mediator. Taught hundreds of lawyers. U.S. State Department funded teacher of lawyers in Africa. Founder, internet filtering company.

Candidate Statement

You and everyone who comes before a court in our community are entitled to be treated fairly and with respect no matter who you are.

Over my 34 year career I have lived by this principle handling *criminal and civil* cases, in *Municipal, District, Superior and Federal* trials. My clients have included the *U.S. government*, enforcing our *civil rights* laws, *union members* in grievance arbitrations, *corporations and poor and working people*. For over 20 years I have worked to improve our system of justice by *teaching hundreds of UW law students and lawyers* here and nationally how to conduct themselves in court with the highest professional and ethical standards. I serve now as a *Pro Tem Judge*.

My husband and I raised two daughters in King County. We *founded a company* to protect our children and yours from the seedy side of the internet.

As a volunteer I have advocated for women, families and children through the NWWLC, the YMCA and Treehouse.

My experiences have prepared me to judge the wide variety of matters in Superior Court efficiently and with compassion, fairness and firmness. You can count on me as your judge. See: www.hollyhillforjudge.com for more information.

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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: Parole Board Member, King County Superior Court Judge Pro Tem

Education: BA - University of Washington ('75), Law Degree - Gonzaga University ('79)

Legal/Judicial Experience: King County Superior Court Judge Pro Tem - 1000 days sitting on the bench; Tukwila and Auburn Municipal Courts; Public Defender for the Associated Counsel for the Accused; Deputy Prosecuting Attorney; Pro Bono representation in Domestic Relations cases in Family Court.

Family: Married - 4 children (2 sons serving our country with distinction in the Navy), King County resident since 1961

Significant Career Experience: 1000 days sitting on King County Superior Court bench; current member on the Indeterminate Sentence Review Board (Parole Board).

Candidate Statement

Julia Garratt is an exceptional candidate who has the experience and leadership ability for King County Superior Court. Julia has served as a Superior Court Judge Pro Tem since 1998 and has been a lawyer for 29 years. She has ruled in thousands of cases and has served 1000 days on the bench. Highly rated by her peers, Julia is respected for her fairness and understanding of the laws of King County and the State of Washington. Appointed to the Indeterminate Sentence Review Board (Parole Board) in 1994, she has been reappointed by Governors Locke and Gregoire. She has served both as a prosecutor and public defender and is the most experienced candidate running for Superior Court position 22.

Julia believes in equal access to the court and equal justice for everyone within the judicial system and is passionate about maintaining the public trust. She has received "Exceptionally Well-Qualified" and "Well-Qualified" ratings from the King County Bar, Asian Bar, Loren Miller Bar, Latina/o Bar and QLaw Bar Associations. Julia Garratt is experienced, qualified and respected and will be "your voice" on the King County Superior Court.

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Judge Position 26 (Nonpartisan Office)



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Current Occupation/Employer: Judge, King County Superior Court, 2001-present

Education: JD, cum laude, 1983, Seattle University; AS, Registered Nursing, 1974, De Anza College; BA, Psychology, 1971, University of California at Santa Cruz

Legal/Judicial Experience: Judge Middaugh was an associate, then partner, in a South King County law firm. She also was a sole practitioner, a mediator, and served as a Superior Court Commissioner.

Family: Married to Adam Kline for 19 years.

Significant Career Experience: As a judge, she has presided over hundreds of civil, criminal and family law matters.

Candidate Statement

An experienced and respected judge, Laura Gene Middaugh has served as a Superior Court Judge for eight years after seventeen years of practicing law. One of the hallmarks of a good judge is the ability to separate fact from fiction. This takes more than legal training; it takes life experience.

Judge Middaugh worked her way through Seattle University Law School as an intensive care nurse. She volunteered for the Swedish Hospice program and has been a mentor with the King County Family Law Program.

In her first term, she was elected by her fellow judges to the Board of Trustees of the Superior Court Judges Association. In her second term she was appointed by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court to chair the Pattern Forms Committee and by the Presiding Judge of the King County Superior Court to the Strategic Planning Committee.

Judge Middaugh has a reputation as a fair and impartial jurist and has earned the support of judges from the Washington State Supreme Court, the King County Superior Court, Washington Conservation Voters, King County Executive Ron Sims (D), State Representatives Skip Priest (R) and Jay Rodne (R) and many other elected officials and community leaders. Visit www.ReelectJudgeMiddaugh.com.

Matthew R. Hale

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his grandfather (SPEEA), father (Carpenter), mother (UFCW), and his brother (IBEW).

Matthew has brought his hard work ethic and passion for justice to his practice of law. He has represented people of all walks of life and small businesses in state and federal courts throughout Washington. His compassion and desire to serve his community have now drawn him to the bench, where his passion for justice, equality and the fair rule of law will serve the people well.

Who would you like to be your judge? Someone like Matthew; who will listen with compassion and fairness; will do the hard work to make sure the rule of law is followed and make sure justice is done? Or someone with different values? We, the People for Matthew R. Hale, choose Matt.

Candidate Statement

Matthew Hale had to earn his success. When he enrolled in High-line Community College at age 17, Matt already had spent summers working as a laborer and carpenter. Whether he was given a shovel, a hammer or just asked to crawl under a house to repair rotted timbers, he met the task. He learned his union values from

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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: Attorney/The Corning Law Firm

Education: Seattle University, BA, Labor Relations, cum laude; UW School of Law, JD.

Legal/Judicial Experience: Admitted to Washington State Bar Association, 1972.

Family: Married to Pat Corning, two daughters.

Significant Career Experience: President, Foundation for Washington Courts; President, Ballard Chamber of Commerce; President, Washington State Trial Lawyers; Member, American Board of Trial Advocates. Represented consumers holding Ford accountable for exploding Pinto gas tanks, and holding Chrysler responsible for knowingly designing/manufacturing Jeeps that rolled over. Landmark consumer protection cases: State v. Ralph

Williams, Johnson v. Beneficial Management and more. Named Super Lawyer by Washington Law and Politics magazine every year since 1999.

Candidate Statement

“Some say Nic Corning looks like Santa,” says Faith Ireland, retired Washington Supreme Court Justice. “He will bring many gifts as a judge: intelligence, energy, compassion, integrity and common sense. He has the courtroom experience we need.”

For 35 years I’ve represented the injured and disabled in courtrooms, helping people win disputes against the powerful insurance industry. I have obtained justice for consumers, small business owners and people like you and your family.

My decision to be a judge follows many years of public service as a volunteer leader - teaching, writing and advocating to end injustice.

I’ve arbitrated, prosecuted and defended criminal and civil cases in state and federal courts. I’m committed to people getting equal access to justice, promoting diversity and making our legal system fair, fast and effective.

A lifelong Washingtonian from a working class family, I attended public schools and worked my way through college and law school as a cement finisher.

I’ll be an honest, fair and impartial judge - solving problems and assuring that people get their day in court.

Rated highly by six bar associations, King County Labor Council. Endorsed by five Washington State Supreme Court Justices.



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Biographical Information

Legal/Judicial Experience: In her 12 years as a Seattle Municipal Court Judge, Jean was Presiding Judge for 3 years, and on the Court’s Executive Committee for eight years. She’s been a member of the Judicial Ethics Advisory Board; Chair, Trial Court Coordinating Counsel; Chair, King County Regional Law and Justice Committee; Chair, Regional Relicensing Summit; and Co-chair, Misdemeanor Work Group. She worked for eight years in the Public Defender Association in all divisions: felony, misdemeanor, juvenile, dependency, appeal, and civil commitments. Before that, she was in private practice, handling juvenile, criminal, personal injury, consumer bankruptcy, domestic partnership, adoption, wills and probate matters.

Candidate Statement

Judge Jean Rietschel has been a judge in King County for the past 12 years, adjudicating more than 1,000 cases in Municipal Court ranging from domestic violence, criminal infractions and land use disputes. She led the Seattle Municipal Court as its Presiding Judge. She has heard more cases than *all* of the other candidates running for open seats this election season.

She has been rated *“Exceptionally Well Qualified”* by the King County, Asian Bar, Washington Women Lawyers, Latina/o, and GLBT Bar Associations. She has consistently been top-rated by attorney evaluation polls throughout her career.

Judge Jean took the lead in writing the Misdemeanor Report, which saves money and reduces the number of defendants who fail to show up in court by offering alternative sanctions and relicensing programs. She established the new Domestic Violence Court to hold suspects more accountable. The Alternatives to Confinement program was also her idea - to save dollars and promote rehabilitation in cases where offenders were non-violent.

Judge Jean is endorsed by more than 30 Supreme Court, Court of Appeals, and bench court judges; Women’s Political Caucus; most of the Seattle City Councilmembers; many local legislators including Speaker Frank Chopp; and your friends and neighbors.

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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: Senior Deputy Prosecuting Attorney for King County

Education: Graduate of University of Washington Law School, 1986. B.A. Boston University

Legal/Judicial Experience: 22 years prosecuting all kinds of crimes, including sex crimes, domestic violence, murder; more than 10 years in the Fraud Division litigating complex civil forfeitures, complex economic and other crimes; lead prosecutor in Drug Diversion Court.

Family: Mother of a teenager who attends Ballard High School.

Significant Career Experience: Deputy Under Secretary, U.S. Department of Interior, Carter Administration. Co-founded national Environmental Policy Center, 1972. Teaching: seminars at

J.F.K. Institute of Politics, Harvard; classes on law and ethics for lawyers and police.

Candidate Statement

Rated “well qualified” by the King County Bar Association, Senior Deputy Prosecutor Barbara Mack is a tireless advocate for justice and dedicated public servant. She has prosecuted nearly every type of crime, compassionately advocating for victims and achieving fair sentences. She has the real world experience we need in our Superior Court.

As lead prosecutor in Drug Diversion Court, Barbara works to reduce crime and its costs to taxpayers, and helps offenders become contributing members of society. She has a reputation in the courts for hard work, strong intellect, fairness, and good humor.

Prior to her courtroom work, Barbara co-founded a national environmental organization and served as Deputy Under Secretary of the U.S. Department of Interior.

A deeply involved community volunteer, she chairs the Board of Directors of Children’s Trust Foundation.

Barbara says: “I will honor your vote by being a fair and ethical judge. I promise to improve our justice system, protect our communities, and ensure equal access to justice.”

Endorsements: Seattle Police Officers Guild, County Executive Ron Sims, Judy Maleng, Mike McKay, and dozens of State Senators, Representatives, judges, and citizens throughout King County. For more, see www.MackforSuperiorCourt.com .

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Judge Position 53 (Nonpartisan Office)



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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: Judge, King County District Court, West Division

Education: Graduate of University of Washington Law School (1984); Undergraduate degree in Psychology from Rutgers University (1981).

Legal/Judicial Experience: 13 years judicial experience: King County District Court judge (2000-present) • Juvenile Court Judge in Superior Court (2002-03) • Kirkland Municipal Court judge (1995-2000). Family law attorney (1992-94); public defender (1985-92).

Family: Judge Spearman resides in Seattle with her husband, Michael, and their two children.

Significant Career Experience: Former board member of *Childhaven* • volunteer judge for *King County Kids Court* • Coordinator for *International District Pro Bono Legal Clinic*

Candidate Statement

Mariane Spearman has been an outstanding judge for over 13 years. She served as the presiding judge of Kirkland Municipal Court for 5 years and for the last 8 years on the King County District Court. She is actively involved in the administration of the court as the Presiding Judge of the West Division, a member of the Executive Committee and chair of the Personnel committee.

Judge Spearman has been rated “Exceptionally Well Qualified” for election to this position by: the King County Bar Association • the Joint Asian Evaluation Committee • the Loren Miller Bar Association (African American lawyers) • Q Law the GLBT Bar Association • the Latina/o Bar Association.

Judge Spearman’s supporters include King County Executive Ron Sims, King County Council member Larry Gossett, Seattle City Council member Bruce Harrell, Jon Bridge and over 50 judges from the Supreme, Appellate, Superior, District and Municipal Courts. She is also endorsed by the Women’s Political Caucus, the King County Police Officers Guild, the 33rd District Democrats, and AFSCME Local 21.

Judge Spearman has a solid reputation as a hard-working, fair and decisive jurist. She would be honored to have your vote.



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Biographical Information

Current Occupation/Employer: Superior Court Judge Pro Tem in King County Juvenile Court. Attorney for 26 years with extensive trial experience.

Education: Seattle University School of Law, 1982; University of California at Santa Cruz, 1978.

Legal/Judicial Experience: Superior, District, & Municipal Court Judge Pro Tem. 26 years of legal experience as an attorney practicing in Superior, District & Municipal Courts.

Family: Seattle resident for 26 years.

Significant Career Experience: As a Superior Court Judge Pro

Tem in King County Juvenile Court, Ann Danieli has earned a well deserved reputation for her sound legal judgment, courtroom temperament and fair application of the law.

Candidate Statement

Ann Danieli has the judicial experience and extensive knowledge of the law we need on the Superior Court Bench.

As a Superior Court Judge Pro Tem, Ann Danieli has earned the respect of her colleagues because of her firm but fair treatment of all those who appear in her Courtroom. As a Judge Pro Tem, Ann has clearly demonstrated her thorough knowledge, and application of the law and her proven ability to treat all sides fairly.

Ann Danieli has also made important contributions to our community through her involvement working with troubled youth, pro bono legal representation and her work on committees confronting Domestic Violence.

Ann Danieli has the judicial experience, temperament, and knowledge of the law that we need from our Judges.

With her trusted judgment and commitment to our community, and her endorsements from leaders throughout King County, Ann Danieli will bring immediate credibility and experience to the Superior Court Bench.

On August 19, 2008 please vote for Ann Danieli for the King County Superior Court Position #53.

King County Initiative 26 and Council-Proposed Alternative

Official Ballot Title

INITIATIVE 26 AND COUNCIL-PROPOSED ALTERNATIVE

The following initiative proposed ordinance (Initiative 26) and council proposed alternative ordinance (Council-Proposed Alternative) concern the election of nonpartisan county officials and the nonpartisan selection of districting committee members.

Initiative 26: If this initiative is approved by voters, it would place a charter amendment on the November 2008 general election ballot that would ask, "Shall the King County Charter be amended to make the offices of King county executive, King county assessor and King county council nonpartisan, and to establish the nonpartisan selection of districting committee members?"

Council-Proposed Alternative: If this council-proposed alternative ordinance is approved by voters, it would place a charter amendment on the November 2008 general election ballot that would ask, "Shall the King County Charter be amended to make the offices of King county executive, King county assessor and King county council nonpartisan, to allow candidates for these county offices the option of having their political party preference appear on the ballot, and to establish the nonpartisan selection of districting committee members?"

1. Should either of these proposed ordinances to place a charter amendment before the voters in November 2008 be adopted?
 YES NO
2. Regardless of whether you voted yes or no above, if one of the proposed ordinances is adopted, which one should it be?
 INITIATIVE 26 COUNCIL-PROPOSED ALTERNATIVE

Explanatory Statement

This measure presents voters with two questions. The first question is whether either of two proposed charter amendments, both of which propose to make the elected offices of county executive, assessor, and councilmember nonpartisan and to establish the nonpartisan selection of district committee members, should be presented to the voters for adoption or rejection at the November 2008 General Election. The second question is which of the two proposed charter amendments should be presented to the voters at the November 2008 General Election. If a majority of voters voting on the first question vote "No", then neither proposed charter amendment will appear on the ballot at the November 2008 General Election. If a majority of voters voting on the first question vote "Yes", then the proposal receiving the greatest number of votes will appear on the ballot at the November 2008 General Election. Voters may vote on the second question regardless of how they voted on the first question.

Statement for amending charter

What has united former **Democratic Governor Booth Gardner** and former **Republican Governor Dan Evans**? They agree that local government should **deliver basic services** to all citizens *regardless of party preference*.

Local elections are about making **independent choices** based on what a candidate has to offer, *not party labels*.

Infighting and partisan bickering are a diversion from addressing the public's real needs. **There are no Republican roads or Democratic stop lights.**

Unfortunately, the partisan King County Council has refused to allow a public vote on nonpartisan reform despite recommendations from its own **Charter Review Commission** in 1997, and previous calls from citizens groups like the **Municipal League** and the **League of Women Voters**.

Nonpartisan county elections are endorsed by **over 25 nonpartisan Mayors and City Councilmembers** across King County, as well as the **Suburban Cities Association**.

Nonpartisan elections **improve voter choice** by attracting more candidates.

In 2005, when all nine partisan county council seats were up for election, **only five new candidates emerged**. Each new challenger was defeated by over 24%. In that same year, **nonpartisan** elections in some King County cities attracted more than **five new candidates in one race!**

Voting Yes = more competitive elections = more voter choice!

Rebuttal of statement against

I-26 preserves voter's "right to know." • Candidates would still be free to list endorsements and organizational support on campaign literature and in the **voters' guide**.

Partisanship hinders decision making! • Partisan pressures often **prevent compromise**. Nonpartisanship frees local officials to **work together** without the division of party labels.

I-26 gives voters a "right to choose." • Nonpartisanship will **end party control in uncompetitive districts** while attracting more qualified candidates to local office.

STATEMENT PREPARED BY: Booth Gardner, Dan Evans, Sue Singer

Statement against amending charter

As former Governor of the State of Washington and as long-serving State Representative, we have found a key principle reaffirmed time and time again: transparency in government is critical to our democracy.

To this end, we do not support Initiative 26, which will eliminate a key decision-making tool for voters.

I-26 Diminishes Transparency. Citizens have a right to know the party affiliation of candidates for county office in order to determine their basic political philosophy. A non-partisan county government does not remove political philosophy or political differences; it only makes it more difficult for the average voter to determine beliefs a candidate will use to make decisions.

I-26 Hinders Decision-Making. When party affiliation is openly and publicly acknowledged, elected officials of diverse political philosophy must work to build bridges and forge compromise—the very essence of the democratic process. In a well-functioning legislative body, this diversity helps inform debate, and is transparent to the public.

We have a deep respect and appreciation for the open forum of diverse political philosophies and feel that clear, open party declaration encourages effective decision-making, a diversity of thought, and transparency in government.

Rebuttal of statement for

Voters know candidates' beliefs and ideas when candidates reveal their party preference. That information shouldn't be hidden.

Knowing where people stand leads to honest conversation, collaboration and compromise. Almost all votes taken by the County Council are unanimous or bi-partisan. When councilmembers disagree, it's usually because of clear philosophical differences - differences voters have a right to know before they choose their representatives. **Keep candidates honestly revealing party preference; keep informed.**

STATEMENT PREPARED BY: Mike Lowry, Sharon Tomiko Santos

King County Initiative 26 and Council-Proposed Alternative

Regardless of whether you voted yes or no on amending the Charter, if one of these proposed ordinances is adopted, which one should it be?

Initiative 26

(The complete text begins on page 70.)

Explanatory Statement

Initiative 26 is a proposed ordinance. If approved by voters at the August 19 election, it would place a charter amendment on the November 2008 General Election ballot. The proposed charter amendment would ask voters whether they want to amend the charter to make the elected offices of county executive, assessor, and councilmember nonpartisan and whether they want to establish the nonpartisan selection of districting committee members. If the charter amendment was approved at the November 2008 General Election, the offices of county executive, assessor, and councilmember would be elected according to general law governing nonpartisan elections. The first nonpartisan elections would occur at the next regularly scheduled election for each office. For the county executive and councilmembers for odd-numbered council districts, that would be November 2009 and for the assessor and councilmembers for even-numbered council districts, it would be November 2011. Nonpartisan elections would be held every four years thereafter and any vacancies would be filled pursuant to general law governing vacancies for nonpartisan county elective office. Approval of the charter amendment would also result in districting committee members, who are appointed by the council every ten years for the purpose of drawing a countywide districting plan, no longer being appointed based on political party.

Statement for Initiative 26

Accept no imitations! Reject the King County Council-Proposed Alternative by **Voting Yes on Initiative 26!**

The political parties' and council's "alternative" *claims* to be nonpartisan but actually creates a **partisan election process**.

The parties' and council's "alternative" *maintains* partisanship by making **no change** to the way we elect county leaders.

The partisan King County Council has never allowed a public vote on nonpartisan reform. Despite several attempts by community groups, elected officials and one of the County's own Charter Review Commissions, **the parties and the council have blocked** every attempt to put nonpartisanship on the ballot.

Since the parties and council cannot prevent a qualified initiative from appearing on the ballot, they are trying to preserve partisanship by confusing the voters.

The alternative is partisan business as usual.

Only **Initiative 26** can end partisan bickering by bringing about **true** nonpartisan reform.

Only **Initiative 26** is supported by dozens of nonpartisan mayors and city councilmembers across King County.

Only **Initiative 26** was signed by over 80,000 King County voters.

Only **Initiative 26** will create **genuine** nonpartisan elections for county offices.

Local Government needs **professionalism, not partisanship**.

Please **Vote YES**, and then **vote for Initiative 26**

Rebuttal of statement for Alternative

The "alternative" is intended to fool voters. • The political parties will stop at nothing to preserve partisanship in local elections. The "alternative" *says* nonpartisan but in reality **changes nothing**.

Nonpartisan government works! • Of the 12 **most populous** counties in the United States, **half are nonpartisan**. All local governments in King County are nonpartisan.

The "alternative" creates partisan elections for nonpartisan offices! • We need **real change** that rejects partisanship in local government.

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STATEMENT PREPARED BY: Susan Hutchison, Sue Singer, Linda Kochmar

Council-Proposed Alternative

King County Ordinance No. 16128

(The complete text begins on page 71.)

Explanatory Statement

The Council-Proposed Alternative is a proposed ordinance. If approved by voters at the August 19 election, it would place a charter amendment on the November 2008 General Election ballot asking voters whether they want to amend the charter to make the elected offices of county executive, assessor, and councilmember nonpartisan and whether they want to establish the nonpartisan selection of districting committee members. The difference between this proposed charter amendment and that proposed in Initiative 26 is that this proposed charter amendment would allow candidates for the offices of executive, assessor and councilmember to state their preference for a political party and have that preference appear on the ballot. If the charter amendment were approved at the November 2008 General Election, the offices of county executive, assessor, and councilmember would be elected according to general law governing nonpartisan elections except that candidates would be permitted to state a political party preference as indicated above. The timing for nonpartisan elections and the filling of vacancies would be the same as under Initiative 26 and approval of this charter amendment would also result in districting committee members no longer being appointed based on political party.

Statement for Council-Proposed Alternative

The alternative makes county government nonpartisan while protecting the voter's "right to know."

This alternative makes county offices nonpartisan but lets voters know the candidates' partisan affiliations and preferences. While Initiative 26 would hide this important information from us, the alternative lets voters know whether or not a candidate has a party preference by allowing candidates to list their party preferences—or "no preference"—right on the ballot. The alternative still makes county government nonpartisan.

King County is a complex regional government and county officials must make difficult and sometimes controversial decisions that directly affect us, such as:

- Should the county focus more resources on punishing offenders or on rehabilitating them?
- How can the government manage growth while protecting our property rights?
- What priorities should inform the county's \$5 billion budget?

Difficult questions like these confront county officeholders each and every day. Don't we deserve as much information as possible about the people we elect to decide these important questions? Party preference isn't the only information voters need to make informed decisions, but it helps orient us to the priorities of our candidates. We need nonpartisan government that protects our right to know.

Rebuttal of statement for Initiative 26

If it's time for nonpartisan government, why take away information voters currently have? Why try and hide a candidate's true leanings? Don't the voters have a right to know whether or not elected officials have a party preference? What are the Initiative 26 backers afraid of? Why should insiders be the only ones who know?

The alternative protects a candidate's right to free association while protecting the voter's right to know.

STATEMENT PREPARED BY: Mike Lowry, Sally Clark, Larry Gossett

Complete Text of King County Initiative 26

AN ORDINANCE proposing an initiative to amend the King County Charter to make the offices of King County executive, King County assessor and King County council nonpartisan, and to establish the nonpartisan selection of districting committee members; amending Section 610 of the King County Charter, Section 640 of the King County Charter, Section 650.20 of the King County Charter, Section 650.30.20 of the King County Charter and Section 680.10 of the King County Charter, repealing Section 620 of the King County Charter and submitting the same to the voters of the county for their approval or rejection at the next special election to be held in this county more than one-hundred thirty-five days after the presentment of petitions to the King County council.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. There shall be submitted to the qualified voters of King County for their approval and ratification or rejection, at the next general election to be held in this county occurring more than forty-five days after the enactment of this ordinance, an amendment to the King County Charter by amending Section 610, Section 640, Section 650.20, Section 650.30.20 and Section 680.10 and repealing Section 620, to read as follows:

Section 610. Election Procedures.

~~((Except as provided in the Article, t))~~ The nominating primaries and elections for the offices of King County executive, King County assessor and King County council shall be conducted in accordance with general law governing the election of ((partisan)) nonpartisan county officers.

Section 640. County Executive and Assessor.

The county executive and county assessor shall be nominated and elected as nonpartisan offices by the voters of the county. The nomination and election of the county executive and county assessor shall be held every four years as a county general election at the same time as the general election for cities in the county commencing with the election of 1971 for the county assessor and with the election of 1973 for the county executive.

Section 650.20. Nomination and Election.

County councilmembers shall be nominated and elected as nonpartisan offices by the voters of each councilmember's respective district. The nomination and election of ~~((councilmen))~~ councilmembers shall be held every four years as a county general election at the same time as the general election for cities in the county commencing in even-numbered districts with the election of 1971 and in odd-numbered districts with the election of 1973.

Section 650.30.20. Districting Committee.

During the month of January, 2001, and by January 31 ~~((st))~~ of each tenth year thereafter, a five-member districting committee shall be appointed. The county council shall appoint four persons to the committee, ~~((two from each of the two major political parties;))~~ the four to appoint the fifth who shall be the chairperson. The districting committee shall no later than April 1 following their appointment meet and appoint a districting master who shall be qualified by education, training and experience to draw a districting plan. If the districting committee is unable to agree upon the appointment of a districting master by April 1, the county council shall appoint a districting master by May 31 ~~((st))~~ of the year.

Section 680.10. Designation, Appointment and Election to Fill Vacancy.

Immediately upon commencing their terms of office, the county executive, assessor and sheriff shall each designate one or more employees who serve as a deputy or assistant in such office to serve as an interim official in the event of a vacancy in the elective office of the county executive, assessor~~(;)~~ or sheriff, respectively.

Except for a designation made by the metropolitan county council, a designation of an interim official shall only be effective if the county executive, assessor and sheriff, each for his or her elective office,

complies with the following procedure; commits the designation to writing; identifies the order of precedence if more than one county officer or employee is designated; signs the written designation; has the written designation notarized; files the written designation with the county office responsible for records ~~((and elections));~~ and~~(;)~~ provides a copy of the written designation to the chair of the metropolitan county council. The county executive, assessor and sheriff may, at any time, amend such designation by complying with the same procedure established for making the designation.

In the event the county executive, assessor~~(;)~~ or sheriff neglects or fails to make such a designation within seven calendar days of commencing his or her term of office, the metropolitan county council may by ordinance designate one or more employees who serve as a deputy or assistant in such office to serve as an interim official in the event of a vacancy in the elective office of the county executive, assessor~~(;)~~ or sheriff, respectively. A designation made by the metropolitan county council shall be effective upon adoption of the ordinance therefor and may be amended by ordinance; provided that a designation by the county executive, assessor~~(;)~~ or sheriff which occurs subsequent to the adoption of an ordinance shall take precedence over the designation by ordinance.

The designated county officer or employee shall immediately upon the occurrence of a vacancy serve as the interim official and shall exercise all the powers and duties of the office granted by this charter and general law until an acting official is appointed as provided in this section.

The metropolitan county council shall, after being appraised of a vacancy in the elective office of county executive, assessor or sheriff, fill the vacancy by the appointment of an employee who served as a deputy or assistant in such office at the time vacancy occurred as an acting official to perform all necessary duties to continue normal office operations. The acting official shall serve until the vacancy is filled by appointment ~~((pursuant to Article II, section 15, of the Washington State Constitution for partisan county elective offices or))~~ pursuant to general law for nonpartisan county elective offices ~~((, as applicable)).~~

A vacancy in an elective county office shall be filled at the next primary and general elections which occur in the county; provided that an election to fill the vacancy shall not be held if the successor to the vacated office will be elected at the next general election as provided in Sections 640 and 645 of this charter. The term of office of an officer who has been elected to fill a vacancy shall only be for the unexpired portion of the term of the officer whose office has become vacant and shall commence as soon as he or she is elected and qualified.

A majority of the county council may temporarily fill a vacancy by appointment until the vacancy has been filled by election or the successor to the office has been elected and qualified.

Section 620 repealed. Section 620, "Independent Candidates," of the King County Charter is hereby repealed.

SECTION 2. If this ordinance is enacted, the ballot title for the proposed charter amendment shall be in substantially the following form, with such additions, deletions or modifications as may be required by the prosecuting attorney:

This initiative would place the following proposed charter amendment on the November 2008 general election ballot: "Shall the King County Charter be amended to make the offices of King county executive, King county assessor and King county council nonpartisan, and to establish the nonpartisan selection of districting committee members?" Should this initiative be adopted?

SECTION 3. A. If this ordinance is approved by a majority of the voters voting on the issue, it shall become enacted when the results of the election are certified.

B. If this ordinance is enacted, the question of amendment of the King County Charter shall be submitted to the qualified voters of King County for their approval and ratification or rejection at the next general election forty-five days after enactment of this ordinance.

Complete Text of King County Council-Proposed Alternative Ordinance No. 16128

Proposed No. 2008-0311.3

Sponsors Phillips, Ferguson,
Gossett, Patterson and Constantine

AN ORDINANCE related to elections; rejecting Initiative 26 and adopting an alternative ordinance to amend the King County Charter to make the offices of King County executive, King County assessor and King County council nonpartisan, to establish the nonpartisan selection of districting committee members, and to allow candidates for the office of King County executive, King County assessor and King County council to state his or her preference for a political party, or not state a preference, to be submitted to the voters at the August 19, 2008, special election; calling a special election for Initiative 26 and this alternative ordinance; amending Section 610 of the King County Charter, Section 640 of the King County Charter, Section 650.20 of the King County Charter, Section 650.30.20 of the King County Charter and Section 680.10 of the King County Charter, repealing Section 620 of the King County Charter; and calling a special election for this ordinance.

STATEMENT OF FACTS:

1. Section 230.50 of the King County Charter specifies a county initiative process whereby the public may propose a county ordinance by filing with the council the required number of signed petitions from registered county voters.
2. A county initiative proposing an amendment to the King County Charter to make the offices of King County executive, King County assessor, King County assessor and King County council nonpartisan and to establish the nonpartisan selection of districting committee members has been proposed ("Initiative 26").
3. On December 20, 2007, in accordance with K.C.C. 1.16.050, the King County prosecutor's office prepared a ballot title for the proposed Initiative 26 measure, which is, "This initiative would place the following proposed charter amendment on the November 2008 general election ballot: Shall the King County Charter be amended to make the offices of King County executive, King County assessor and King County council nonpartisan, and to establish the nonpartisan selection of districting committee members? Should this initiative be adopted?"
4. On January 2, 2008, in accordance with Section 230.50 of the King County Charter, the clerk of the council approved as to the form the proposed petitions for Initiative 26.
5. On April 1, 2008, there were four thousand six hundred petitions filed for Initiative 26 by the initiative's sponsor with the clerk of the council.
6. On May 14, 2008, the King County elections division director certified that the number of valid signatures is sufficient for the initiative to be deemed proposed.
7. Section 230.50 of the King County Charter authorizes the county council to adopt an alternative ordinance to an initiative proposed ordinance and submit the alternative ordinance for voter approval or rejection on the same ballot as the initiative proposed ordinance.
8. On the August 19, 2008 ballot, voters would first be given the choice of either rejecting both Initiative 26 and this alternative proposed ordinance; or accepting either Initiative 26 or this alternative proposed ordinance.
9. If a majority votes to accept either Initiative 26 or this alternative proposed ordinance, the underlying charter amendment from the proposed ordinance receiving the most votes would be placed on the November 4, 2008 ballot.

10. On May 2, 2008, the state of Washington secretary of state issued a rule-making order, WAC 434-215-120, for immediate adoption for the purpose of implementing state Initiative 872 for the 2008 primary and general elections. Under this rule, candidates for partisan office may state their preferred party identification on the declaration of candidacy and if a preferred party identification is stated, it will appear on the ballot. A candidate may also choose to not state a preference for a political party. A candidate's preference may not imply that the candidate is nominated or endorsed by the party, or that the party approves of or associates with that candidate.

11. The King County council finds that for elections to the offices of King County executive, King County assessor and King County council, the citizens of King County are better served by having information provided to them on the ballot on a candidate's preferred political party preference so long as the candidate's preference, if any, does not imply that the candidate is nominated or endorsed by the party, or that the party approves of or associates with that candidate.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. Initiative 26 is hereby rejected.

SECTION 2. This alternative ordinance to make the offices of King County executive, King County assessor and King County council nonpartisan, to establish the nonpartisan selection of districting committee members, and to allow candidates for the offices of King County executive, King County assessor and King County council to state their preference for a political party, or not state a preference is hereby adopted.

SECTION 3. This alternative ordinance shall be submitted along with Initiative 26 to the qualified voters of King County for their approval and ratification or rejection, at a special election held on August 19, 2008. If this alternative ordinance is approved, there shall be submitted to the qualified voters of King County for their approval and ratification or rejection, at the November 2008 general election, an amendment to the King County Charter by amending Section 610, Section 640, Section 650.20, Section 650.30.20 and Section 680.10 and repealing Section 620, to read as follows:

Section 610. Election Procedures. ~~((Except as provided in the Article, t))~~ The nominating primaries and elections for the offices of King County executive, King County assessor and King County council shall be conducted in accordance with general law governing the election of ((partisan)) nonpartisan county officers. Candidates for the offices of King County executive, King County assessor, King County sheriff and King County council may state their political party preference or no party preference on the declaration of candidacy form and have that preference, if any, appear on the ballot.

Section 640. County Executive and Assessor. The county executive and county assessor shall be nominated and elected as nonpartisan offices by the voters of the county. The nomination and election of the county executive and county assessor shall be held every four years as a county general election at the same time as the general election for cities in the county commencing with the election of 1971 for the county assessor and with the election of 1973 for the county executive.

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ing their appointment meet and appoint a districting master who shall be qualified by education, training and experience to draw a districting plan. If the districting committee is unable to agree upon the appointment of a districting master by April 1, the county council shall appoint a districting master by May 31((st)) of the year.

Section 680.10. Designation, Appointment and Election to Fill Vacancy. Immediately upon commencing their terms of office, the county executive, assessor and sheriff shall each designate one or more employees who serve as a deputy or assistant in such office to serve as an interim official in the event of a vacancy in the elective office of the county executive, assessor(;) or sheriff, respectively.

Except for a designation made by the metropolitan county council, a designation of an interim official shall only be effective if the county executive, assessor and sheriff, each for his or her elective office, complies with the following procedure; commits the designation to writing; identifies the order of precedence if more than one county officer or employee is designated; signs the written designation; has the written designation notarized; files the written designation with the county office responsible for records ((and elections)); and(;) provides a copy of the written designation to the chair of the metropolitan county council. The county executive, assessor and sheriff may, at any time, amend such designation by complying with the same procedure established for making the designation.

In the event the county executive, assessor(;) or sheriff neglects or fails to make such a designation within seven calendar days of commencing his or her term of office, the metropolitan county council may by ordinance designate one or more employees who serve as a deputy or assistant in such office to serve as an interim official in the event of a vacancy in the elective office of the county executive, assessor(;) or sheriff, respectively. A designation made by the metropolitan county council shall be effective upon adoption of the ordinance therefor and may be amended by ordinance; provided that a designation by the county executive, assessor(;) or sheriff which occurs subsequent to the adoption of an ordinance shall take precedence over the designation by ordinance.

The designated county officer or employee shall immediately upon the occurrence of a vacancy serve as the interim official and shall exercise all the powers and duties of the office granted by this charter and general law until an acting official is appointed as provided in this section.

The metropolitan county council shall, after being appraised of a vacancy in the elective office of county executive, assessor or sheriff, fill the vacancy by the appointment of an employee who served as a deputy or assistant in such office at the time vacancy occurred as an acting official to perform all necessary duties to continue normal office operations. The acting official shall serve until the vacancy is filled by appointment ((pursuant to Article II, section 15, of the Washington State Constitution for partisan county elective offices or)) pursuant to general law for nonpartisan county elective offices((, as applicable)).

A vacancy in an elective county office shall be filled at the next primary and general elections which occur in the county; provided that an election to fill the vacancy shall not be held if the successor to the vacated office will be elected at the next general election as provided in Sections 640 and 645 of this charter. The term of office of an officer who has been elected to fill a vacancy shall only be for the unexpired portion of the term of the officer whose office has become vacant and shall commence as soon as he or she is elected and qualified.

A majority of the county council may temporarily fill a vacancy by appointment until the vacancy has been filled by election or the successor to the office has been elected and qualified.

Section 620 repealed. Section 620, "Independent Candidates," of the

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SECTION 4. If this ordinance is enacted, the ballot title for the proposed charter amendment shall be in substantially the following form, with such additions, deletions or modifications as may be required by the prosecuting attorney: "Shall the King County Charter be amended to make the offices of King County executive, King County assessor and King County council nonpartisan, to establish the nonpartisan selection of districting committee members, and to allow candidates for these county offices the option of having their political party preference appear on the ballot? Should this charter amendment be adopted?"

SECTION 5. A. If this ordinance is approved by a majority of the voters voting on the issue, it shall become enacted when the results of the election are certified.

B. If this ordinance is enacted, the question of amendment of the King County Charter shall be submitted to the qualified voters of King County for their approval and ratification or rejection at the November 2008 general election.

Ordinance 16128 was introduced on 6/2/2008 and passed as amended by the Metropolitan King County Council on 6/9/2008, by the following vote:

Yes: 5 – Ms. Patterson, Mr. Constantine, Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Gossett and Mr. Phillips

No: 4 – Mr. Dunn, Ms. Lambert, Mr. von Reichbauer and Ms. Hague

Excused: 0



It's your turn be a poll worker

Poll workers perform an important role in administering one of our fundamental democratic freedoms: the right to vote.

As a poll worker, you will be part of a team of election workers serving King County voters in one of our 396 polling places on Election Day.

It's your turn. Be a poll worker.



Poll workers are paid \$125 for their time on Election Day and receive paid training prior to the election.

Signing up is easy.

Call 206-296-1606 or
visit kingcounty.gov/elections.



King County
Elections

For questions, please call 206-296-8683.



Your voter guide: know before you vote



Over the past four years, King County has focused on making all aspects of the election process accessible to all voters. As a result, polling places that were under utilized or not accessible to voters with disabilities were consolidated or closed. **Before you go to vote on August 19, confirm the location of your assigned polling place.**

Your voter guide is an online tool voters can use to confirm their registration and find their polling place along with comprehensive information about candidates and ballot measures. Enter your information to create your sample ballot, showing the races and candidates you can vote on.

To confirm your registration and find directions to your nearest polling location go to kingcounty.gov/elections.

The screenshot shows the King County Elections website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for HOME, NEWS, SERVICES, DIRECTORY, and CONTACT. The main header reads "Elections King County Elections, Department of Executive Services". Below this, the page title is "August 19, 2008 primary". The central content area is titled "Your Registration Information" and displays a sample registration address: "YOUR NAME HERE, 1234 MAIN STREET, ANYWHERE, WA 98XXX". To the right of this information is a graphic that says "YOUR VOTER GUIDE". Below the registration information, there are two columns: "Your Polling Place" and "Your Districts". The "Your Polling Place" section shows "Precinct #: SEA 37-1619" and the address "AKI KUROSE MIDDLE SCHOOL, 3928 S GRAHAM ST, SEATTLE, WA 98118". The "Your Districts" section shows "METROPOLITAN KING COUNTY". Below these sections, there are instructions for voters, such as "If you are registered absentee voter, if you have moved your name call 206-296-1619". At the bottom of the page, there is a section for "Your Candidates and Measures" with a "STATE" dropdown menu.



A new way to return your absentee ballot

King County is introducing seven ballot drop boxes throughout the county to provide absentee voters with another way to securely return their ballots without the cost of postage. Ballot drop boxes will open on August 1 and close at 8 p.m. on Election Day, August 19.

Ballot drop box locations:

- **Bellevue.** Library Connection @ Crossroads, 15600 NE 8th St., Suite K-11
- **Black Diamond.** Black Diamond Library, 24707 Roberts Dr.
- **Des Moines.** Des Moines Library, 21620 11th Ave. S
- **Fall City.** Fall City Library, 33415 SE 42 Pl.
- **Lake Forest Park.** Lake Forest Park Library, 17171 Bothell Way NE
- **Pacific.** Algona Pacific Library, 255 Ellingson Rd.
- **Seattle.** King County Administration Building, 500 Fourth Ave.

Whether you mail your ballot, use a drop box, or return your absentee ballot to a neighborhood polling place, remember to vote on Tuesday, August 19, 2008.

Drop boxes will be open to accept ballots starting Friday, August 1, and will remain open until 8 p.m. on August 19, Election Day.



Vote by mail



Starting in 2009, King County will conduct all elections by mail, which means that all registered King County voters will receive and cast their ballots by mail. Voting by mail is already the preferred method of voting for most people, with about 70 percent of ballots cast through the mail in every election. Voting by mail will streamline resources and support a single system for voting, training, processing, and counting. It is easy, accurate, and accessible to everyone.

Never miss an election.

For the majority of voters who already vote by mail via absentee ballot, nothing will change. About three weeks prior to each election all registered voters will be mailed a ballot, which they must return, postmarked by Election Day.

With a ballot sent 20 days in advance, voters will have plenty of time to become informed about the issues and candidates, consider each vote in the relaxed comfort of their home, and securely return their ballot.

No longer will voters miss out on voting because of traffic jams, working late, or simply forgetting to visit their neighborhood polling place.

Once King County transitions entirely to vote by mail—planned for February 2009—voters with disabilities will still have the option of casting an independent and private ballot using an

accessible voting unit at a regional voting center, located throughout the county.

These centers will also serve as ballot drop-off locations for anyone who wishes to securely submit their voted ballot directly to King County, without the cost of postage.

Until then, accessible voting units can be found at each of King County's polling places on Election Day.





One system for all, beginning February 2009

Simple. Secure. Proven successful.

King County is committed to making this new system work for all voters, so that everyone can participate in one of the greatest rights of democracy—the right to vote.

Voting by mail is secure. Washington has stringent laws that require the signature on every ballot envelope to be checked and confirmed before it is counted.

Voters will be able to verify that their ballot was received by King County Elections, and then be able to track its progress online as it is processed.

Ballots are stored in locked, electronically controlled cages that are guarded by sheriff's deputies and multiple security cameras until the election is certified.

Get ready today.

To prepare for the transition to vote by mail, all residents of King County should make sure that their home and mailing addresses are current to ensure their ballot reaches them. If you've moved, call us.

Poll voters can make sure that their signatures are up to date by filling out a voter registration form, available at www.kingcounty.gov/elections and at every polling place on August 19.

To receive your ballot by mail or learn more, please visit our Web site at www.kingcounty.gov/elections, or give us a call at 206-296-VOTE (8683).



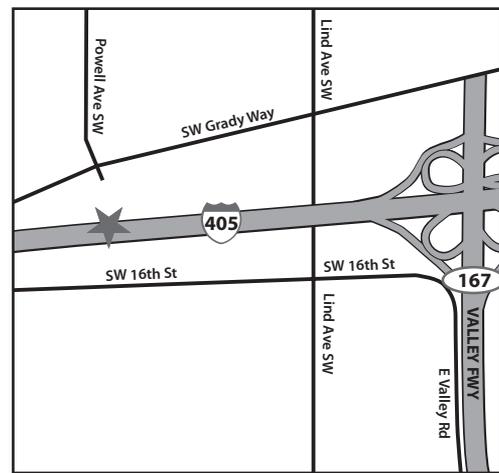
King County Elections moved to Renton

In December 2007, King County Elections moved to a new, specially designed building at 919 SW Grady Way in Renton. Ballot security and vote counting improved when King County Elections closed its offices in Seattle and moved to this larger facility. The new election headquarters is centrally located in the middle of the county and is located on Metro bus route 140.

To increase security of ballots, the facility was designed to give the public full opportunity and ability to observe vote counting and processing from an observation loop located on the second floor. Voters can pick up a ballot in-person or vote on an accessible voting unit beginning July 30, 2008.

King County Elections is open Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Special voter registration hours will be held on Saturday, August 2, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.



Accessible voting for everyone

Each of King County's 396 polling places offers an accessible voting unit, with an audio and touch-screen ballot in both English and Chinese. With large-font and high-contrast options as well as tactile devices, voting is made easy for people with partial or no vision and voters with a wide range of disabilities. All voters are welcome to vote using an accessible voting unit.

Early, in-person voting on an accessible voting unit is available weekdays, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. starting July 30 through August 18. Accessible voting is available on Election Day, August 19, from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the King County Elections office in Renton and at all polling places.

How to vote an accessible ballot:

1. Check in with your poll worker and ask to vote using the accessible voting unit.
2. Choose the type of ballot you prefer: touch-screen ballot or audio ballot
3. The poll worker will issue you an encoded card with the correct ballot style for your precinct. The card does not store personal information and is cleared after each use.
4. To begin voting, insert your card into the card reader at the top right of the machine. Choose your language and follow the instructions to proceed.
5. To mark your ballot selections, touch the box next to your ballot choice on the screen. Simply touch the box again to de-select your choice.
6. After you've finished marking your selections, review the ballot summary screen and verify the paper copy of your ballot printout. To make changes, simply touch "reject ballot" and change your ballot selection. To submit your completed ballot, touch "cast ballot."
7. To cast an audio ballot, use the numeric keypad to vote. An audio summary will verify your choices and allow you to make changes.



Partnership in Democracy

The Partnership in Democracy program targets groups and organizations and encourages non-partisan partnerships to support the voting process by serving as Election Day poll workers on August 19 and November 4.

This program provides groups with an interest in promoting team building and civic pride with an opportunity to raise money or earn community service hours. The program has four prongs with payment and time commitment options targeted to the specific needs of each category: local businesses, non-profit organizations, and students in college or high school.



What's in it for me?

- A unique opportunity to build relationships throughout your organization through shared experiences and working as a team at the polls
- Demonstrate civic pride and social responsibility by supporting elections while remaining politically neutral
- One full day to interact with your neighbors, and the communities your organization serves

Eligibility requirements

- Be able to work a long day in a busy environment
- Sixteen years old by Election Day
- Able to read, write and speak English
- Must attend a three-hour training class prior to Election Day
- Able to lift 30 lbs.
- Responsible for your own transportation
- Must be prompt on Election Day
- Bilingual speaking individuals are encouraged to apply

Next steps

Call King County Elections at 206-296-8683
or visit www.kingcounty.gov/elections.



Political Party Precinct Committee Officers

► You may be eligible to vote for a political party Precinct Committee Officer.

What is a Precinct Committee Officer?

Precinct Committee Officer is a position within each major political party. Washington State has two major political parties: the Democratic Party and the Republican Party. One Democratic Precinct Committee Officer and one Republican Precinct Committee Officer are elected from each precinct.

The role of the Precinct Committee Officer is to represent the precinct in political party activities, and to represent the political party in the precinct.

[Know your election terms.]

“Precinct” means a geographical subdivision for voting purposes that is established by a county legislative authority. (RCW 29A.04.121)

Is each candidate a member of a political party?

Unlike a candidate for public office, a candidate for Precinct Committee Officer must be a member of a political party. Precinct Committee Officers participate in party activities and represent the party.

Who is eligible to vote for Precinct Committee Officers?

Because Precinct Committee Officer is a party position, not a public office, you must consider yourself a Democrat or Republican in order to vote for a Democratic or Republican candidate for Precinct Committee Officer. You may only vote for one candidate.

You do not have to formally join the Democratic or Republican Party, you do not have to sign a party oath, and voting in this election will not put your name on any party lists. If you consider yourself a Democrat or Republican, you can vote for a Precinct Committee Officer candidate of that party.

How does a candidate for Precinct Committee Officer win?

The election for Precinct Committee Officer occurs during the August Primary. The position does not appear on the ballot for the November General Election.

Democratic candidates run against Democratic candidates, and Republican candidates run against Republican candidates. The candidate who receives the most votes wins. If there is no Democratic or Republican candidate on your ballot, then no candidate filed.



Need more information?

For more information about the role of Political Party Precinct Committee Officers, contact the Democratic or Republican Party.

Washington State Democratic Party: (206) 583-0664, or www.wa-democrats.org

Washington State Republican Party: (425) 460-0570, or www.wsrp.org



How is the United States President elected?

Presidential and Vice Presidential candidates will NOT appear on the ballot until the November General Election.

If you're wondering why, take a look at the presidential elective process below.

February

Presidential Primaries and Caucuses

The major parties (Democrats and Republicans) hold a Presidential Primary or caucuses in every state, giving voters the opportunity to elect delegates to represent the candidate of their choice at their party's regional, statewide, and national conventions.

Washington State's Presidential Primary was February 19, 2008 and party caucuses were February 9, 2008.

August/September

National Party Conventions

At the national party conventions, delegates elected by their states' party members vote for the candidate they represent. The candidate with the most delegate votes is announced as the party's official presidential nominee. The nominee then announces his or her vice presidential running mate.

The Democratic National Convention will be held August 25-29 in Denver, Colorado. The Republican National Convention will be held September 1-4 in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

November

General Election

The presidential nominees of both major parties, minor parties, and independent candidates will appear on the ballot in the November General Election.

The nationwide General Election will be held **November 4, 2008**.

January, 2009

Presidential Inauguration

The winner of the General Election, the President-elect, doesn't officially take office until he or she is sworn in on Inauguration Day.

Inauguration Day will occur on January 20, 2009 in front of the United States Capitol in Washington, D.C.

“ I do solemnly swear that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic, that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same: that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion, and I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which I am about to enter. So help me God. ”

- Presidential Oath of Office



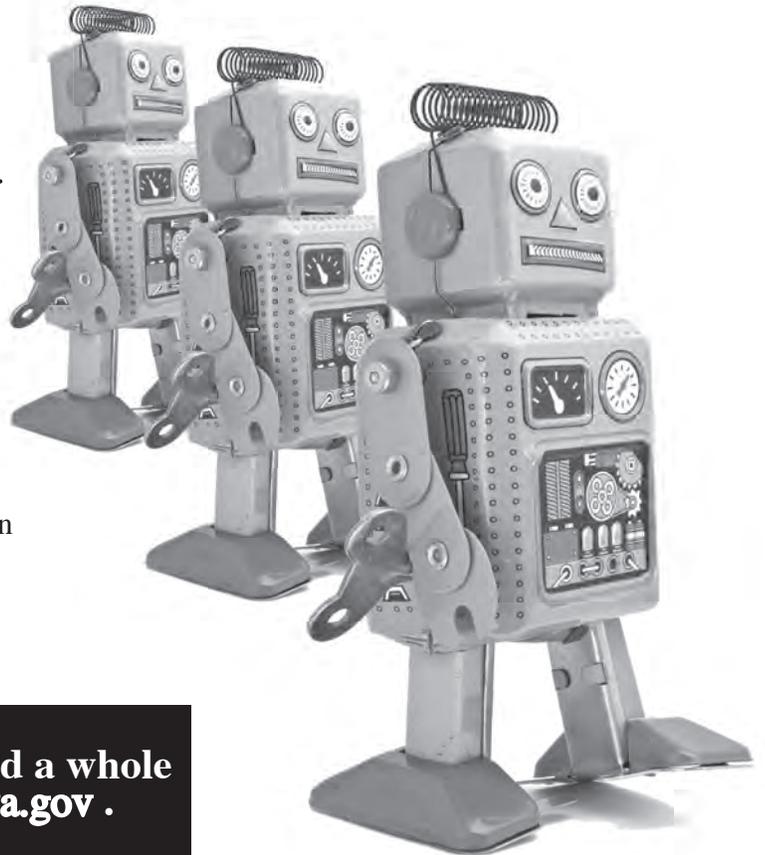
Online Services

[Technology marches on.]

Your customized voter information — all in one place, all the time — is now available online through the Office of the Secretary of State in collaboration with participating county elections departments.

Go online to:

- Register to vote
- Update your registered name and address
- Read the interactive Voters' Pamphlet
- Get primary and election night results
- View your personalized sample ballot
- Find your elected officials' contact information
- File for elective office



Access this information, and a whole lot more, at www.vote.wa.gov.

Other Services & Assistance

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



Contact the Office of the Secretary of State for:

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



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

What you should know about voting in Washington State



1

Update your voter registration when you move or change your name or signature. Keeping your voter registration current ensures your ballot reaches you on time.

2

Sign your outer envelope. If you don't sign the outer envelope, your ballot won't be counted.

3

Mail your ballot early. Don't wait until the last minute to vote; vote early whenever possible.



4

Elections are a public process. You are invited to be an election observer and watch your local elections workers count votes. Contact your county elections department for more information.

5

Local elections are important, just as important as elections for President.

You are invited
to participate
even more
in **your** democratic
process.

Did you know elections are a public process? This means you are welcome to arrange time to visit your county elections department to watch the staff process ballots.

Contact your county elections department for more information. Contact information is in the back of this Voters' Pamphlet.

**Don't forget
the stamp!**



Your ballot will not be delivered to the ballot processing center without sufficient postage.



New address?

Update your voting information!

If you've moved since you last voted, you must update your voter registration information in order to receive your ballot in the upcoming election.

For your convenience, you may update your information online, by telephone, or by mail.



Online

You may update your voting address online! Go to www.vote.wa.gov. If you moved within the same county, click on "MyVote" and follow the instructions on the screen.

If you have moved to a different county, you must fill out a new voter registration. You may use Online Voter Registration, or a mail-in form.



Telephone

You may also call your county elections department to update your mailing address if you moved within the same county. County contact information can be found in the back of this pamphlet or in the government section of your local phone book.



Mail

If you moved to a different county, you must complete a voter registration form and mail it in, or register online. Forms are available on the Internet at www.vote.wa.gov or at your county elections department, public libraries, schools, and other government offices.



Tell your friends.

VOTE.



County Elections Department Information

These numbers require special telephone equipment to operate.

COUNTY ELECTIONS DEPARTMENT	MAILING ADDRESS	CITY	ZIP	TELEPHONE NUMBER	TDD/TTY SERVICE ONLY for the speech or hearing impaired.
Adams	210 W Broadway, Ste 200	Ritzville	99169	(509) 659-3249	(509) 659-1122
Asotin	PO Box 129	Asotin	99402	(509) 243-2084	(800) 855-1155
Benton	PO Box 470	Prosser	99350	(509) 736-3085	(800) 833-6388
Chelan	PO Box 400	Wenatchee	98807	(509) 667-6808	(800) 833-6388
Clallam	223 E Fourth St, Ste 1	Port Angeles	98362	(360) 417-2221 Toll-free (866) 433-VOTE	(800) 833-6388
Clark	PO Box 8815	Vancouver	98666-8815	(360) 397-2345	(800) 223-3131
Columbia	341 E Main St	Dayton	99328-1361	(509) 382-4541	(800) 833-6388
Cowlitz	207 N Fourth Ave, Rm 107	Kelso	98626	(360) 577-3005	(360) 577-3061
Douglas	213 S Rainier St, PO Box 456	Waterville	98858	(509) 745-8527	(509) 745-8527, Ext 207
Ferry	350 E Delaware Ave #2	Republic	99166	(509) 775-5200	(800) 833-6388
Franklin	PO Box 1451	Pasco	99301	(509) 545-3538	(800) 833-6388
Garfield	PO Box 278	Pomeroy	99347	(509) 843-1411	(800) 833-6388
Grant	PO Box 37	Ephrata	98823	(509) 754-2011 Ext 343	(800) 833-6388
Grays Harbor	100 W Broadway, Ste 2	Montesano	98563	(360) 249-4232	(360) 249-6575
Island	PO Box 1410	Coupeville	98239	(360) 679-7366	(360) 679-7305
Jefferson	PO Box 563	Port Townsend	98368	(360) 385-9119	(800) 833-6388
King	919 SW Grady Way	Renton	98057	(206) 296-8683	(206) 296-0109
Kitsap	614 Division St	Port Orchard	98366	(360) 337-7128	(800) 833-6388
Kittitas	205 W Fifth Ave, Ste 105	Ellensburg	98926	(509) 962-7503	(800) 833-6388
Klickitat	205 S Columbus Ave, Stop 2	Goldendale	98620	(509) 773-4001	(800) 833-6388
Lewis	PO Box 29	Chehalis	98532-0029	(360) 740-1278	(360) 740-1480
Lincoln	PO Box 28	Davenport	99122	(509) 725-4971	(800) 833-6388
Mason	PO Box 400	Shelton	98584	(360) 427-9670 Ext 470	(800) 833-6388
Okanogan	PO Box 1010	Okanogan	98840	(509) 422-7240	(800) 833-6388
Pacific	PO Box 97	South Bend	98586-0097	(360) 875-9317	(360) 875-9400
Pend Oreille	PO Box 5015	Newport	99156	(509) 447-6472	(509) 447-3186
Pierce	2501 S 35 th St, Ste C	Tacoma	98409	(253) 798-VOTE (8683)	(800) 833-6388
San Juan	PO Box 638	Friday Harbor	98250	(360) 378-3357	(360) 378-4151
Skagit	700 S Second St/PO Box 1306	Mount Vernon	98273	(360) 336-9305	(360) 336-9332
Skamania	PO Box 790	Stevenson	98648	(509) 427-3730	(800) 833-6388
Snohomish	3000 Rockefeller Ave MS 505	Everett	98201	(425) 388-3444	(425) 388-3700
Spokane	1033 W Gardner Ave	Spokane	99260	(509) 477-2320	(509) 477-2333
Stevens	215 S Oak St, Rm 106	Colville	99114	(509) 684-7514 Toll-free (866) 307-9060	(800) 833-6384
Thurston	2000 Lakeridge Dr SW	Olympia	98502	(360) 786-5408	(360) 754-2933
Wahkiakum	PO Box 543	Cathlamet	98612	(360) 795-3219	(800) 833-6388
Walla Walla	PO Box 1856/315 W Main St	Walla Walla	99362	(509) 524-2530	(800) 833-6388
Whatcom	311 Grand Ave, Ste 103	Bellingham	98225	(360) 676-6742	(360) 738-4555
Whitman	N 400 Main St	Colfax	99111	(509) 648-6353	(800) 833-6388
Yakima	128 N Second St, Rm 117	Yakima	98901	(509) 574-1340	(800) 833-6388

➤ Attention speech or hearing impaired Telecommunications Device for the Deaf users: If you are using an “800 number” from the list above for TDD/TTY service, you must be prepared to give the relay service operator the telephone number for your county elections department.



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

Absentee Ballot Application

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

To be filled out by applicant. Please print in ink.

Registered Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ ZIP: _____

Telephone: (Day) _____ (Evening) _____

For identification purposes only (optional): Voter registration number, if known: _____

Birth Date: _____ Have you recently registered to vote? Yes No

I hereby declare that I am a registered voter.

Date _____

Signature _____

To be valid, your signature must be included.

Send my ballot to the following address (if different from above):

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

ZIP: _____ Country: _____



This application is for:

Primary only

August 19, 2008

Permanent Request

All future elections

For office use only

Precinct Code: _____

Levy Code: _____

Ballot Code: _____

Ballot Mailed: _____

STATE OF WASHINGTON

Look inside for more about the Top 2 Primary

VOTERS' PAMPHLET

August 19, 2008 Primary

Washington's New Top 2 Primary

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

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



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