

SAMPLE BALLOT

SEPTEMBER 15, 1998 — PRIMARY ELECTION

Candidate Party Key:

DEM = DEMOCRAT

REP = REPUBLICAN

RFM = REFORM

IND = INDEPENDENT

SW = SOCIALIST WORKERS

NP = NON PARTISAN

Partisan Positions

United States Senator

- Warren E. Hanson (REP)
- Patty Murray (DEM)
- Thor Amundson (DEM)
- James Sherwood Stokes (DEM)
- Mike The Mover (RFM)
- Robert Tilden Medley (DEM)
- Harvey Vernier (DEM)
- Linda Smith (REP)
- Nan Bailey (SW)
- Chris Bayley (REP)
- Steve Thompson (RFM)
- John Marshall (REP)
- Charlie R. Jackson (RFM)

United States Representative, District No. 6

- Norm Dicks (DEM)
- Bob Lawrence (REP)
- Donald L. Bilderback (REP)
- William L. Worthington (REP)

United States Representative, District No. 8

- Jennifer Dunn (REP)
- Heidi Behrens-Benedict (DEM)

United States Representative, District No. 9

- Ron Taber (REP)
- Keith Peterson (REP)
- Randy Bell (REP)
- Adam Smith (DEM)

State Representative, 2nd Legislative Dist., Position 1

- Roger Bush (REP)
- Larry Nelson (DEM)

State Representative, 2nd Legislative Dist., Position 2

- Pat Roberts-Dempsey (DEM)
- Tom Campbell (REP)
- Joel A. Derefield (DEM)
- Jean Sensel (DEM)
- John Smith (REP)

State Representative, 20th Legislative Dist., Position No. 1

- Richard DeBolt (REP)
- Tom Beattie (DEM)

State Representative, 20th Legislative Dist., Position No. 2

- Gary Alexander (REP)
- Robert Strong (DEM)

State Representative, 25th Legislative Dist., Position No. 1

- Richard Hildreth (DEM)
- John R. Prukop (DEM)
- Joyce McDonald (REP)

State Representative, 25th Legislative Dist., Position No. 2

- Grant Owen Pelesky (REP)
- Carl Cash (REP)
- Michele Smith (REP)
- Jim Kastama (DEM)

State Senator, 26th Legislative District

- Beth Wilson (DEM)
- Bob Oke (REP)

State Representative, 26th Legislative Dist., Position No. 1

- Lois McMahan (REP)
- A. Donald Nelson (REP)
- Patricia Lantz (DEM)

State Representative, 26th Legislative Dist., Position No. 2

- Jim Shea (DEM)
- Tom Huff (REP)

State Representative, 27th Legislative Dist., Position No. 1

- Ruth Fisher (DEM)
- Eugene P. Weltzer (IND)

State Representative, 27th Legislative Dist., Position No. 2

- Debbie Regala (DEM)
- Jack Claussen (DEM)

State Representative, 28th Legislative Dist., Position No. 1

- Georganne "Gigi" Talcott (REP)
- T. Clinton Lowry (DEM)
- Don R. Smith (DEM)
- Sherri Thomas (REP)

State Representative, 28th Legislative Dist., Position No. 2

- Mike Carrell (REP)
- Frank Gavaldon (DEM)

State Senator, 29th Legislative District

- Rosa Franklin (DEM)

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State Representative, 29th
Legislative Dist., Position No. 1

- Steve Conway (DEM)

State Representative, 29th
Legislative Dist., Position No. 2

- Brian Sullivan (DEM)
- Mark Martinez (DEM)
- Billy Johnson (DEM)

State Senator, 30th Legislative
District

- Ray Schow (REP)
- Tracey J. Eide (DEM)

State Representative, 30th
Legislative Dist., Position No. 1

- Skip Priest (REP)
- Mark Miloscia (DEM)
- Ann Murphy (REP)

State Representative, 30th
Legislative Dist., Position No. 2

- Maryann Mitchell (REP)

State Senator, 31st Legislative
District

- Pam Roach (REP)
- George Tracy (DEM)

State Representative, 31st
Legislative Dist., Position No. 1

- Dan Roach (REP)
- Darrell Carrier (DEM)
- Rick Serns (REP)
- Sue Singer (REP)
- Brent Warwick (REP)
- Michael Stensen (DEM)

State Representative, 31st
Legislative Dist., Position No. 2

- Christopher Hurst (DEM)
- Les Thomas (REP)

Pierce County Auditor

- Cathy Pearsall-Stipek (DEM)
- Dale Washam (IND)
- Will Baker (IND)
- Scott Smith (REP)

Pierce County Prosecuting Attorney

- John W. Ladenburg (DEM)

Pierce County Council,
District No. 1

- Jan Shabro (REP)

Pierce County Council
District No. 5

- Wendell Brown (DEM)
- Rosey M. Hargrove (DEM)

Pierce County Council
District No. 7

- Karen Biskey (REP)

Non-Partisan Positions

State Supreme Court Justice,
Position No. 1

- Faith Ireland (NP)
- James Patrick "Jim" Foley (NP)
- Douglas J. Smith (NP)
- Eric Nielsen (NP)
- Kris Sundberg (NP)
- Glen Prior (NP)
- Hugh Spitzer (NP)

State Supreme Court Justice,
Position No. 5

- Jim Bates (NP)
- Linda Callahan McCaslin (NP)
- Barbara Madsen (NP)

State Supreme Court Justice,
Position No. 6

- Greg Canova (NP)
- Richard B. Sanders (NP)

Court of Appeals, Division II,
District No. 1, Position No. 1

- Karen G. Seinfeld (NP)

Tacoma Municipal Court,
Department No. 2

- Jack Emery (NP)
- Judson Gray (NP)
- Katherine M. Stolz (NP)

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Ballot Measures

Proposition No. 1

Submitted by the City of Buckley REGULAR PROPERTY TAX LEVY FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Shall the City of Buckley be authorized to impose, in place of an expiring levy, a regular property tax levy not to exceed \$0.39 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation for each of six consecutive years, beginning in 1999, to continue providing emergency medical services?

- LEVY YES
- LEVY NO

Proposition No. 1

Submitted by the City of Orting EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PROPERTY TAX LEVY

Shall the City of Orting be authorized to impose regular emergency medical services property tax levies of twenty five cents or less per thousand dollars of assessed valuation for each of six consecutive years?

- LEVY YES
- LEVY NO

Proposition No. 1

Submitted by the City of Puyallup REGULAR PROPERTY TAX LEVY FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE

Shall the City of Puyallup be authorized to impose regular property tax levies of fifty cents (\$.50) per thousand dollars (\$1,000) of assessed valuation for each of six (6) consecutive years to continue to provide basic emergency medical services including enhanced paramedic and critical transport services commencing in levy year 1998 for first collection in 1999?

- LEVY YES
- LEVY NO

Proposition No. 1

Submitted by Pierce County Fire Protection District No. 2 LEVY OF GENERAL TAX — \$2,280,000 FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION

Shall the district levy a tax upon its taxable property, in excess of state limitations upon regular levies, of approximately \$.79 per \$1,000.00 of true and assessed valuation, to provide \$2,280,000 to be levied in 1998, collected in 1999, and used for maintenance and operations to maintain the current level of fire services and emergency medical services as provided in Resolution No. 072098-807?

- LEVY YES
- LEVY NO

Proposition No. 1

Submitted by Pierce County Fire Protection District No. 11 REGULAR PROPERTY TAX LEVY FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE

Shall Fire Protection District No. 11 be authorized to impose regular property tax levies of \$.50/\$1,000 of assessed valuation for each of six consecutive years for emergency medical care?

- LEVY YES
- LEVY NO

Proposition No. 1

Submitted by Pierce County Fire Protection District No. 17 EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PROPERTY TAX

Shall Pierce County Fire Protection District #17 be authorized to continue to impose regular property tax levies of 25 cents or less per thousand dollars of assessed valuation for each of six consecutive years for Emergency Medical Services?

- LEVY YES
- LEVY NO

Proposition No. 1

Submitted by Pierce County Fire Protection District No. 23 (Pierce 23 Fire and Rescue) REGULAR PROPERTY TAX LEVY FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Shall Pierce 23 Fire and Rescue be authorized to levy, beginning in 1998, a regular property tax of \$.35 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation to be collected for each of six (6) consecutive years for emergency medical care, beginning with 1999?

- LEVY YES
- LEVY NO



STATE LEGISLATURE

2nd District, Representative
Position No. 1

Two-Year Term

Roger Bush
Republican
P.O. Box 191
Spanaway, WA 98387
(253) 847-1087

Education: B.A. degree, Seattle Pacific University. Master's degree, W.E.S., Portland, Ore.

Occupation: Teacher, Bethel School District, part-time realtor.

Professional Qualifications: Elected 2nd District state representative in 1996, Roger is vice chair of the House Children and Family Services Committee and serves on the Energy and Utilities and Government Reform and Land Use committees.

Personal Information: Roger Bush and his wife of 29 years, Cheryl, have a teen-age daughter, Jennifer.

Community Involvement: An active volunteer in our community for over a dozen years, Roger is a member of the Naches Trail PTA, Puyallup Church of the Nazarene, Washington Arms Collectors, Pierce County Republican Party and Central Committee, National Rifle Association, and the Tacoma/Pierce County Association of Realtors. Nominated to Outstanding Young Men of America.

Personal Views: As your state representative, I have worked hard to reverse the direction of state government from the early 1990s when out-of-control spending led to the largest tax increase in state history in 1993. In the last four years, taxes have been slashed by over \$1 billion and during the current two-year budget cycle state government spending has been held to the lowest increase in 25 years. I have supported major welfare reform and voted tougher penalties for violent juvenile criminals, sex offenders and drunk drivers.

Larry Nelson
Democrat
17102 8th Ave Ct E
Spanaway, WA 98387
(253) 537-7912

Education: *Larry* received his Bachelor of Science and Masters of Arts in Teaching from Washington State University.

Occupation: *Larry Nelson's* been a chemistry, physics and aerospace teacher at Bethel High since 1967.

Professional Qualifications: *Larry* has extensive training and experience. As a negotiator for the Bethel Teachers, *Larry* knows how to mediate and work toward a common goal. *Larry's* led several professional organizations.

Personal Information: *Larry* and his wife Debbie (both Washingtonians) raised their two children here, where they graduated from Bethel High School. *Larry* is also known as "Poppi" the Shrine Clown.

Community Involvement: *Larry's* committed to public education. *Larry's* known to 31 years of students as *Mr. Nelson*, the "Voice of the Bethel Braves". *Larry's* been Scout Master, coach, and advisor to thousands of our children. *Larry* has fought the landfills in Graham and Roy. *Larry's* active with several groups in our community.

Personal Views: *Larry* sees education as his #1 priority. He will work to solve the issues of crowding, funding and academic excellence. *Larry* will work to insure that landfills are never sited dangerously.

Larry believes that good planning is the key to traffic congestion, crowded schools, and growth.

"It doesn't take a Rocket Scientist" – Maybe it does – Larry happens to be one!



STATE LEGISLATURE

2nd District, Representative

Position No. 2

Two-Year Term

Pat Roberts-Dempsey
Democrat
P.O. Box 192
Graham, WA 98338
(253) 847-6819

Education: Bachelor of Arts, English Education; Masters and Education Doctoral Candidate, Social Studies Curriculum & Instruction, University of Washington

Occupation: Public School Teacher

Professional Qualifications: American Government and Washington State History Teacher; Associated Student Body Advisor; Homeschool Liaison Teacher; Pacific Lutheran University Professional Education Advisory Board; **Washington State Teacher of the Year, 1991**

Personal Information: Married 22 years, two children; e-mail: dempsy@ix.netcom.com

Community Involvement: Active leadership in student community activities, sports, scholarships; professional organizations; state and local Democratic party; Washington State social studies and environmental curricula

Personal Views: Elect me as your State Representative because I *respectfully listen to you* and will represent the views of citizens of the Second District. I strongly believe in grass-roots politics, and will help you retain control of the political process. Together we must balance our needs and our ability to pay, without bankrupting ourselves or future generations. As we enter the next century we must make difficult decisions regarding **health care, education, employment, the economy and the environment** that will affect **all citizens**. Future generations will appreciate voters and legislators who collaborate to make responsible decisions today. Together, we can be wise and thoughtful as we determine the shape of the world we will leave behind for our children and grandchildren.

Tom Campbell
Republican
P.O. Box 443
Spanaway, WA 98387
(253) 843-4455

Education: A.A. – Social Sciences; B.A. – Police Science/Administration; D.C. – Doctor of Chiropractic

Occupation: Chiropractic Physician – serving Spanaway since 1983.

Professional Qualifications: I operate my own business, I'm responsible for all decisions. I have served as an army officer responsible for setting and meeting goals. Served in the Legislature 1993-1996.

Personal Information: I am married to my wife Lynn; she is a professional artist. We reside in Roy. I attended college in Washington, served in the military and returned to practice Chiropractic, in Spanaway. I have been a Washington resident since 1974, witnessing the changes in our State and wish to keep our quality of life.

Community Involvement: Tacoma Elks – member; American Legion – member; 2nd District Republican Club – member; Tacoma Sportsman's Club – member

Personal Views: I have served 2 previous terms as your Legislator. I believe that government should remove obstacles to opportunity and enhance our lives. I have always been there for my community, fighting against the airport and dump. I **listen, care and help**. I am proud to have introduced bills that became law, "Three Strikes Your Out," and "Hard Time for Armed Crime." I will continue unfinished work: to protect our quality of life, improve transportation, upgrade the schools, and keep our community safe from violent criminals.

Joel A. Derefield
Democrat
P.O. Box 309
Roy, WA 98580
(253) 843-1609

Education: Graduate Yelm High School; Continuing education at Pierce College in Business and Administrative fields.

Occupation: 14 year employee at Wilcox Farms Inc. in Feed Manufacturing.

Professional Qualifications: During my 10 years as an elected official, I have served our community five years on the city council, and five years as Mayor for the City of Roy. During this time I have served on Pierce County Community Services CAB, the Pierce County Strategic Economic Development Plan CAB, and was an Honorary Member of the Roy Chamber of Commerce.

Personal Information: Mr. Derefield is single and owns a home in the City of Roy.

Community Involvement: Friends of the Roy Library; Friends of the Yelm Library; Roy Historical Society.

Personal Views: I grew up in this community, and like you, I work hard every day. I want to raise a family here, in safe neighborhoods, with great schools and a strong economy so that future generations can enjoy the Northwest as we do today. I'm running for the legislature to continue my work of bettering our community, our schools and opportunities for our families. I believe I have the experience to tackle the tough issues and find fair solutions, and I want to put my experience to work for you.



STATE LEGISLATURE

*2nd District, Representative
Position No. 2 (Cont.)*

Two-Year Term

Jean Sensel
Democrat
P.O. Box 5017
Spanaway, WA 98387
(253) 531-8520

Education: BBA and MBA, *Summa Cum Laude*, Pacific Lutheran University

Occupation: Small business owner

Professional Qualifications: Jean Sensel is a longtime resident, business owner, and former educator. She has gained broad perspectives on all issues affecting our area.

Personal Information: A 32-year resident of Spanaway, Jean and her husband have two children and four grandchildren.

Community Involvement: Transportation Chair, Spanaway Community Action Network; Comprehensive Plan Board and Economic Development Committee; Cross-base Corridor Coalition; National Federation of Independent Business; Spanaway Loop/174th St. Safety Assoc.; Spanaway Historic & Audobon Societies

Personal Views: Jean Sensel believes it's time to stop slapping band-aids on symptoms. Jean Sensel means no more business as usual. Jean knows we can have bi-partisan solutions to provide excellent schools, wholesome neighborhoods, fair taxes, safe roads, and clean air and water with common sense cooperation and responsible fiscal control.

Jean has successfully worked with community councils and grassroots action to improve schools, roads, neighborhoods, and our economy. With your vote Jean Sensel will bring common sense solutions to the legislature.

Jean Sensel serves on the Community Plan Board, Cross-base Corridor Coalition, Spanaway Community Action Network, Spanaway Loop/174th St. Safety Association, and the National Federation of Independent Business Leadership Council.

John Smith
Republican
16401 88th Ave Ct E
Puyallup, WA 98375
(253) 445-8609

Education: Juris Doctor, University Puget Sound, Masters Business Administration, Texas Tech, BA, University Wisconsin

Occupation: Financial manager, business lawyer.

Professional Qualifications: Financial manager: Gulf Oil, Chevron. Legal intern: Washington Natural Gas. Corporate, private attorney.

Personal Information: Wife, Faith, married nine years; have four cats. Member Tacoma Sportsmans Club. Commercial fisherman: Washington, Alaska. Involved in church activities. Enjoy running, horsepacking.

Community Involvement: Board of Directors: Citizens For Healthy Bay, Board of Directors: CoNexion Ministry to military families. Officer: Clover Creek Council. Past Board of Trustees, Finance Committee, University Puget Sound.

Personal Views: Honesty, integrity, and character are essential to good government. **Children/education:** I support safe schools, reduced class size, special funding for new school construction, performance testing, and parents controlling curriculum.

Public safety: keeping our homes, neighborhoods, and roadways safe by: imposing severe penalties for criminal acts; extending "three strikes your out"; implementing "hard time for armed crime"; adult sentences for juveniles committing "adult crimes"; and getting tougher with drunk drivers. **Protecting: Taxpayers, Property Rights, and the 2nd Amendment** by reducing property taxes; reducing size, and intrusiveness of government regulation. **No new Pierce County landfill.**

Transportation: building new roads, completing the "cross-base" highway. **No new gas tax.**

Quality of Life: I support pure water, clean air, and reasonable growth.



STATE LEGISLATURE

*20th District, Representative
Position No. 1*

Two-Year Term

Richard DeBolt
Republican
1679 S Market Blvd #159
Chehalis, WA 98532
(360) 807-6163

Education: University of Wyoming, B.A., International Relations

Occupation: Executive Director Twin Cities Chamber of Commerce

Professional Qualifications: Twin Cities Chamber of Commerce, Olympia Chamber of Commerce, Washington Research Council

Personal Information: Wife: Amylee, Daughter: Sophie 4 years, Son: Austin 1 year

Community Involvement: Centralia Rotary, Economic Development Council, Olympia YMCA

Personal Views: A hard-working leader and family man, Richard DeBolt has proven his commitment to protect our community interests through his support of local businesses, communities and issues.

Richard has fought to pass laws that saved 670 family wage jobs at the Centralia Steam Electric Plant and Coal Mine. Our communities were made safer with the passage of a bill he sponsored that strengthened penalties for domestic violence. Much has been accomplished, but much is left to be done.

Richard DeBolt understands that the future of our area depends on our ability to attract and retain family-wage jobs. We must provide safe, quality education for our children. Property tax structures must be reformed so that our low-income senior population and those on fixed incomes are protected from sky-rocketing property taxes. Richard has worked hard to protect our local interests in the 20th District, and in doing so has earned our trust. **Please vote for Richard DeBolt on election day!**

Tom Beattie
Democrat
7000 Rixie Rd SE
Olympia, WA 98501
(360) 491-2645

No Statement Was Received



STATE LEGISLATURE

*20th District, Representative
Position No. 2*

Two-Year Term

Gary Alexander
Republican
7915 Loma Dr SE
Olympia, WA 98503
(360) 923-4746

Education: Hi, I am Gary Alexander. I have an undergraduate degree in business administration from the University of Washington and a graduate degree in business from Pacific Lutheran University.

Occupation: I am the Chief Financial Officer for Behavioral Health Resources, the largest mental health and chemical dependency provider in Southwest Washington. I previously served 25 years as a budget and program manager in Washington State government and 5 years as an industrial engineer and management consultant in private industry.

Professional Qualifications: I have an extensive financial background in both the public and private sector. Prior to joining the state legislature in 1996, I served as Olympia Port Commissioner and as a budget manager in the Governor's Office of Financial Management.

Personal Information: I am a native Washingtonian. My wife, Jacquie, and I have five children and five grandchildren.

Community Involvement: I am past president of our local Kiwanis, a former board member of the Thurston County Economic Development Council, and past chairman and board member of the Washington State Employees Credit Union.

Personal Views: I have enjoyed a very successful first term. With your support, I will be taking a leadership role in addressing long term funding solutions for our public schools, and maintaining a financially sound state budget.

Robert Strong
Democrat
P.O. Box 824
Rainier, WA 98576
(360) 446-3195

No Statement Was Received



STATE LEGISLATURE

25th District, Representative
Position No. 1

Two-Year Term

Richard Hildreth
Democrat
P.O. Box 251
Pacific, WA 98047
(253) 274-1870

Education: Electrician – Required courses for State License, Welding Technology and Machine Design – Certificated programs, Continuing Education Credits – Health and Safety, Supervision and Electricity. Political Activism workshops
Occupation: Commercial / Industrial Electrician – past 10 years; Worked for General Contractor prior.
Professional Qualifications: Chairman and President – 25th District Democrats, Political Education Trainer – IBEW 46
Personal Information: My wife and I have made the town of Pacific our home for the past 9 years. I have two stepdaughters and one daughter from a previous marriage.
Community Involvement: Volunteer – Camp Hahobas Refurbishing (Boy Scout Camp – 3rd year), Volunteer I-688, Delegate King County Labor Council, Pacific Parks Board
Personal Views: I believe that working families must be represented in our Government; represented with a strong clear voice that understands the concerns and values of working families. I understand the need for quality education and preparing our children for tomorrow's world. I understand the concerns with the rapid growth our area has faced. I see a need for a reasonable and proactive approach to our infrastructure. I also understand concerns for making Government accountable. Government belongs to the people, not special interests. **Hire Richard Hildreth to be your State Representative. I will work for You and Today's Working Families.**

John R. Prukop
Democrat
11910-C Meridian Ave E #142
Puyallup, WA 98373
(253) 840-8071

Education:
Occupation:
Professional Qualifications:
Personal Information:
Community Involvement:
Personal Views: Government is like a Diaper . . . it must be changed when soiled.
As legal researcher-Citizen activist for the past ten years, John R. Prukop has observed government degenerate from “protector” of Citizens rights into an alarming *police state*, gradually eliminating your rights. *Why?*
In 1980, the “*Constitution for the United Nations Industrial Development Organization*” was ratified by the President and Senate. Article 27 declares there are “*No reservation of rights*”. Under this “Constitution”, the *USA relinquished all sovereign rights* as to the “objectives” stated therein. The “objectives” are a *systematic scheme* by International Organizations to *direct and control all human and natural resources*. These “objectives” constitute *sedition* against *our* Constitution, your Rights, Liberties and Freedoms . . . what the Founding Fathers of this Nation fought for and died to preserve.
John R. Prukop was born in Tacoma, is a 1967 graduate of Fife High, holds a TCC Associate Degree in Technical Arts, and concluded a 22-year broadcasting career in 1989 on KBSG, the Oldies Station, as “*John Ross in the Morning*.” John’s a multi-engine rated Airline Transport Pilot, holder of Amateur and General Radio-Telephone licenses, and Executive Director of *Citizens For A Constitutional Washington*, a Citizen Activist group based in Puyallup.

Joyce McDonald
Republican
11012 Canyon Rd E #822
Puyallup, WA 98373
(253) 531-2859

Education: Formative education in Scotland, attended James Watt College and Pierce College.
Occupation: State Legislator
Professional Qualifications: Representative Joyce McDonald is serving her first two-year term as state representative. She is vice chair of the House Law and Justice Committee. Her leadership helped enact legislation last year to crack down on drunk drivers. In addition, Joyce worked to enact tougher laws to protect families from violent criminals and sex offenders. She also serves on the Trade and Economic Development and Children and Family Services committees.
Personal Information: Joyce and her husband Gary, a Tacoma police officer, have been married for 26 years and have lived in the 25th District for over 20 years. They have four children and four grandchildren.
Community Involvement: A former PTA and youth center president, Joyce McDonald is a member of the Puget Sound Transportation Panel and the Eastern Pierce County Chamber of Commerce. She has served as a foster parent/parent aide for the Children’s Home Society and a youth sports coach.
Personal Views: As your elected state representative, I have fought for commonsense solutions to preserve our shared values: protecting our family incomes by reducing state taxes, and protecting our neighborhoods from criminals who would rob us of the lifestyle we’ve worked hard to achieve.



STATE LEGISLATURE

*25th District, Representative
Position No. 2*

Two-Year Term

Grant Owen Pelesky
Republican
8907 118th St E
Puyallup, WA 98373
(253) 845-7579

Education: B.A. degree in Psychology and Education, Western Washington University, with 100-plus graduate hours.

Occupation: Educator, Puyallup Public Schools, and Pelesky and Associates property investments.

Professional Qualifications: Former Bonney Lake City Councilman and state committeeman for the Pierce County Republican Party, Grant Pelesky was elected to a two-year term as state representative for the 25th Legislative District in 1994.

Personal Information: A native of Puyallup, Grant and his wife of 21 years, Jenny, have four children: Chad, 17, Holly, 15, Amber, 13, and Joel, 9.

Community Involvement: Grant has served as director of Camp Arnold at Timberlake and as a speaker for church children's programs. He co-chaired a successful county-wide referendum drive.

Personal Views: Grant Pelesky is devoted to the Republic and Constitution our forefathers gave us. Grandson of a Polish immigrant, he cherishes freedom in this self-governing nation under God. As a former legislator, Grant Pelesky believes you should vote for the candidate with the most life experience who promises you the least. Grant Pelesky has memorized and lives by Article I, Section 1, of the state constitution: "All political power is inherent in the people, and governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed, and are established to protect and maintain individual rights."

Carl Cash
Republican
12403 Vickery Ave E
Tacoma, WA 98446
(253) 531-3180

Education: Graduated Dysart High, Peoria, Arizona; University of Hawaii – majoring in Marine Technology; University of Washington – Certification in Seafood Processing & Quality Control; Pierce College – Business Management-Computers

Occupation: Local business owner for over 13 years; Marine and fishing industry

Professional Qualifications: Marine Advisory Committee (1990-1998) Clover Park Technical College; Marine Advisory Committee – Chairman (1998)

Personal Information: Wife Dani, Lindsey 3, and another one on the way. Dani and Lindsey were born in Washington. I have lived here since 1978.

Community Involvement:

Personal Views: Political correctness is killing our country. People need to be held responsible for their own actions.

Gang violence is killing our youth, we need to crack down on gang and juvenile crime.

Education and safety in our schools are a priority for our youth.

A weak defense is going to kill us all. We need to keep our military strong.

Partial birth abortion must stop now.

Transportation and growth management needs to be planned carefully for the future.

EPA and tax issues need to work with businesses to attract new business, not drive them away.



STATE LEGISLATURE

*25th District, Representative
Position No. 2 (Cont.)*

Two-Year Term

Michele Smith
Republican
4441 S Meridian Ste 202
Puyallup, WA 98373
(253) 845-2471

Education: Highline Community College. First woman graduate of the Undersea Technical Engineering Program

Occupation: Mother and homemaker; Trained Special needs educator

Professional Qualifications: President, Puyallup Valley Republican Women's Club; Elected to Pierce County Republican Platform Committee

Personal Information: Married 25 years to husband, Gary. Mother of Ryan and Mandy

Community Involvement: Michele Smith is not a politician but a community activist who make our community a better place to live. She has fought for local control of schools and for seniors.

Personal Views: Michele Smith knows the 25th district and understands how to bring people together to get results. She listens. She advocates for children, parents, seniors and taxpayers. Michele Smith will serve our citizens by protecting seniors from unfair taxation, improving students education and bringing a strong voice to the citizens of the 25th District.

As a small business owner, Michele understands the needs of small businesses and will advocate for business owners. The most important qualities Michele will bring to Olympia are the willingness to work hard to represent the 25th district.

As our district grows, issues such as property taxes, safety, growth management, and transportation will need to be addressed.

Contact me, Michele Smith, at 845-2471, to help make our schools and community better.

Jim Kastana
Democrat
418 8th Ave NE
Puyallup, WA 98372
(253) 840-9301

Education: I graduated from Puyallup High School in 1978. Attended Claremont Men's College and graduated from the University of California.

Occupation: I have spent my career in business sales and management, working for companies such as MCI and Giant Manufacturing. I currently work full time as the State Representative from the 25th District and have an office located in downtown Puyallup.

Professional Qualifications: Member: The Governor's Council on Substance Abuse; House Finance Committee; House Children and Family Services Committee (assistant ranking member); House Energy and Utilities Committee; and House Abstinence Education Oversight Committee.

Personal Information: Husband, father of three and lifelong resident of Puyallup. I have traveled throughout the US, Middle East and Europe. Born 1959.

Community Involvement: Member: Sunner Promotions; Puyallup Main Street Association; Meeker Historical Society; Chamber of Commerce; and Children's Rights Council.

Personal Views: As your Representative, I have been an independent voice for the 25th District, voting to lower property taxes, reform education and bring common-sense solutions to crime. When considering a bill, my concern is not whether it is sponsored by a Republican or Democrat, but whether it is good for our district and the people of this state. This is how I will continue to serve you.



STATE LEGISLATURE

26th District
Senator

Four-Year Term

Beth Wilson
Democrat
P.O. Box 102
Olalla, WA 98359
(253) 853-3342

Education: Beth Wilson holds a Master's Degree in Education and a B.A. in History.
Occupation: She served as Assistant Director of Child Abuse Prevention Resources, a Pierce County non-profit child abuse prevention agency. Her work addressed youth violence and child abuse prevention.
Professional Qualifications: Beth has fought for improved transportation, reductions in juvenile crime, improved public schools and smart management of our growth.
Personal Information: Beth is a Washington native, has been married for 17 years and is a mother of two. Beth and her family are active in their Bremerton church.
Community Involvement: Beth Wilson is a leader in her community. She co-founded the Olalla Community Council. She led the fight to save Banner Forest and served on transportation policy boards throughout the Puget Sound area.
Personal Views: Beth believes we need tough academic standards for teachers and administrators. She also supports full state funding for basic education to reduce our property taxes. Beth believes in responsible growth. We must develop a comprehensive and equitable solution to save our salmon and to provide clean waters and healthy habitats. Beth knows we don't need more government interference in health care. She supports consumer protection from unfair decisions made by insurance companies.

Bob Oke
Republican
P.O. Box 323
Port Orchard, WA 98366
(360) 871-6380

Education: High School, College courses
Occupation: 26 years U.S. Navy – State Senator
Professional qualifications: Lawmaker 8 years
Personal Information: Wife, Judy, three children, five grandchildren; Grace Bible Church; avid outdoorsman and gardener.
Community Involvement: Former Chairman South Kitsap Parks/Recreation Commission, many local service organizations, including sports, law/justice groups.
Personal Views: My priorities have always been the needs of the voters of the 26th District. I listened to you, worked hard and got results.
As Chairman of the Natural Resources and State Parks Committee, I have won respect and praises from sports fishers, hunters, environmental groups, and property owners for my leadership.
During the past four years we have cut taxes by almost two billion dollars and have reduced welfare by twenty per cent. I have worked to protect property rights and to protect our natural environment.
For our schools, I have pushed to put more money into classrooms to help overburdened teachers and reduce class size.
On the Transportation Committee, I fought for a second Narrows bridge – as long as the voters approve it on the November ballot. Over \$500 million in transportation improvements are slated for our area.
All of these are real accomplishments, not just talk. I have tried to serve you well. I'd appreciate your vote.



STATE LEGISLATURE

26th District, Representative
Position No. 1

Two-Year Term

Lois McMahan
Republican
P.O. Box 422

Gig Harbor, WA 98335
(253) 857-7408

Education: Graduate, Prairie College, courses in counseling

Occupation: Elementary School Teacher

Professional Qualifications: Lois worked her way through college as a secretary, switchboard operator, and book store clerk. She operated a family-owned jewelry business and was coordinator for foreign exchange student groups.

State Representative, 1995-97, Lois served on the Education, Law and Justice, and Transportation Standing Committees, the Reading, Education funding and Transportation subcommittees.

Personal Information: Married to Jerry for 35 wonderful years, Lois is mother of five and grandmother of four.

Community Involvement: Lois has been active as a volunteer for churches, youth, children and women's groups, as a counselor for an inner-city crisis center, as an editor of two state-wide public policy and issue-related newsletters and involved in Kitsap County and State Republican organizations since 1980.

Personal Views: Lois is committed to making government responsible to the people by reducing waste, excessive taxes and regulation for individuals and businesses. She believes we must have property tax reform, increase local control of education, bring more state education dollars to the classroom, provide a good basic education in a disciplined setting where teachers are free to teach, send the message that crime doesn't pay—even the first time, and have enforceable juvenile justice reform.

A. Donald Nelson
Republican

7806 Olympic View Dr NW
Gig Harbor, WA 98335
(253) 858-1996

Education: BA from University of Idaho in Political Science

Occupation: Retired from IBM Corporation with 31 years of service; Honorably discharged from US Army

Professional Qualifications: During business career, experience learned by serving customers while performing assignments as Systems Engineer, Educator, Marketing Representative, and Program Manager.

Personal Information: Married for 37 years with four children and five grandchildren

Community Involvement: Precinct Committee Officer; heavy involvement in many leadership positions within Church; longtime volunteer in area Soup Kitchen; and serves on Board of Director for local Community Theater Group.

Personal Views: I believe that the State should implement common sense Business practices in it's operation. These will help improve quality Education and accountability from State employees. I will work to reduce Business and Personal taxes. I will represent all the people in District 26 by listening to various viewpoints before making Legislative decisions. This is more important than self-serving agendas. My efforts will be concentrated on being a legislator not a politician.

Patricia Lantz
Democrat
P.O. Box 187

Gig Harbor, WA 98335
(253) 853-4883

Education: Stanford University; UPS Law School.

Occupation: State Representative; Attorney.

Professional Qualifications: I've worked successfully to build trust, solve problems and make democracy work for us all. I helped write laws to reduce juvenile crime and drunk driving. I stood firm on protecting quality of life in the face of rampant growth. I cut property taxes for seniors and gave tax relief to small businesses. I fought for our pocketbooks by working for a second Narrows Bridge that meets our needs and doesn't cost \$3 or more to use.

Personal Information: I am a Washington native, wife, mother and grandmother.

Community Involvement: League of Women Voters Board; Pierce County Library Trustee; Peninsula Light Company Director; City Club of Tacoma President; School district levy committees.

Personal Views: Education remains my priority. I will work to reduce class size and property taxes by making the state fully fund schools while ensuring that children receive a solid education.

I will continue to seek reasonable growth. We can have vital businesses, and a sound environment.

I will focus efforts on creating economic opportunities for all. Hard-working families deserve accessible, affordable health care. I will continue to work to reduce crime.

I am honored to be your representative and ask for your continued support.



STATE LEGISLATURE

*26th District, Representative
Position No. 2*

Two-Year Term

Jim Shea
Democrat
2108 N. Frace
Tacoma, WA 98406
(253) 759-4591

Education: University of Montana – BME, University of Northern Colorado MA

Occupation: Educator, Tacoma Schools, retired

Professional Qualifications: Standard K-12 teaching certificate – Washington. My experiences include serving as a volunteer for many school district committees and as a representative for children and school employees. I have always been actively involved in my professional and curricular organizations.

Personal Information: My wife, Jill Ann and I have lived in Tacoma for 31 years. We have two adult children and one grand child.

Community Involvement: Historic Landmarks Preservation Commission, City of Tacoma; Tacoma Arts Commission member, Past President; Committee To Save Albers Mill; Citizen's Committee for the Levy – Tacoma Schools; Tacoma Symphony – former member

Personal Views: I care deeply about our neighborhoods, our jobs, and our schools. My experiences as a long-time advocate for civic, school and labor groups, and as a parent and educator, have led me to understand the importance of good public policy for us and of a quality education for our children. With \$850 million in reserves, the Legislature must fund schools and transportation at levels that provide relief from high property taxes and stop regressive bridge tolls. Health care, clean air and water are also my priorities to ensure the quality of life we enjoy.

Tom Huff
Republican
P.O. Box 2525
Gig Harbor, WA 98335
(253) 857-3232

Education: Attended Sumner High School and the University of Puget Sound.

Occupation: Retired Sears Roebuck and Co. executive. Tom's 40-year career began at the Tacoma Sears store and included local, regional and headquarters executive positions.

Professional Qualifications: Rep. Tom Huff is serving his second two-year term as state representative. Under his direction as chair of the House Appropriations Committee since 1995, the Legislature has reduced state spending 13 percent and cut taxes 14 percent as compared to the personal income of Washington citizens. Tom was the founding chairman of the Washington Retail Council.

Personal Information: Tom and his wife, Mary Ann, live in the Gig Harbor area and have four adult children and three grandchildren.

Community Involvement: Tom has served as the president of the Minterbrook Water Company and the Minterbrook Homeowners Association. He is a member of the Gig Harbor and Port Orchard chambers of commerce, and a past officer for the Pierce County Fair. Tom earned the 1997 National Retail Federation's Legislator of the Year award.

Personal Views: My key goals for the next legislative session are to continue the fight for increased support for our schools and public safety, as well as to reduce traffic congestion without an increase in taxes.



STATE LEGISLATURE

*27th District, Representative
Position No. 1*

Two-Year Term

**Ruth Fisher
Democrat
1922 N Prospect #9
Tacoma, WA 98406
(253) 752-7926**

Education: Tacoma Public Schools; University of Puget Sound

Occupation: Legislator

Professional Qualifications: 16 years experience as a State Legislator; Pierce County Planning Commission – 9 years

Personal Information: Born and raised in Tacoma, 2 children

Community Involvement: Women’s Transportation Seminar; Governor’s Blue Ribbon Commission on Transportation; member – Washington State Gambling Commission

Personal Views: I will continue my pursuit of a transportation solution to the assault on our quality of life that congestion and the inability to get goods and services to our states ports present.

I seek a regional approach with alternative modes. Transportation choices must include comfortable, convenient options and be reasonably priced.

I will continue my attention to Pierce County, Puyallup, and the City of Tacoma. I live in the 27th District and want the best for it.

**Eugene P. Weltzer
Independent
2326 S Hosmer St
Tacoma, WA 98405
(253) 404-1099**

Education:

Occupation:

Professional Qualifications:

Personal Information:

Community Involvement:

Personal Views: Eugene will strive to maintain a high quality of life and protect the most important resource we have, our children and grandchildren.

Eugene, wife and three adult children understand many of the issues that concern parents and schools. Parents rights have been taken away, but they are still held accountable. A child can break the law and the parent’s hands are tied. Children must become responsible for their own behavior and actions.

Eugene will strive to improve educational programs, getting back to the 4’Rs; **Reading, Writing, Arithmetic and Respect.**

Eugene a State Corrections Officer, is aware of the needs of our prison systems. Eugene will work on getting the proper resources to create a solution.

Owning a small business, Eugene understands the issues that concern business owners. Fees, taxes and Government paper work has created an environment that is unfriendly to our community business owners.

Creating a climate where businesses can flourish and jobs are created, will produce more revenue without raising taxes. This revenue will fund youth programs, police, fire and other services.

As an Independent Candidate, the people require me to represent them, not to be a puppet for **any** political party.



STATE LEGISLATURE

27th District, Representative
Position No. 2

Two-Year Term

Debbie Regala
Democrat
3121 North Gove
Tacoma, WA 98407
(253) 759-9674

Education: I am a 1968 Graduate of the University of Puget Sound.

Occupation: My adult life has been spent raising my children and volunteering in our community.

Professional Qualifications: I am finishing my fourth year as a member of the House of Representatives.

Personal Information: My husband and I have three children and one granddaughter. I am a lifelong resident of Tacoma.

Community Involvement: My community service includes working in classrooms, serving on school committees, volunteering with the Tacoma Art Museum and the Point Defiance Zoo & Aquarium, and working with youth on environmental restoration projects. I was a Commissioner for the Metropolitan Park District from 1986-1992.

Personal Views: I am committed to improving our educational systems, protecting our quality of life and ensuring that everyone has equal opportunities for a better future for themselves and their children.

We can continue to improve our educational system by increasing the quality and quantity of time our students spend learning the vital skills they will need in the next century.

Washington State is blessed with many diverse eco-systems. As we continue to grow and develop our economic base, we must be vigilant in our stewardship of our natural resources so we can leave that same legacy to future generations.

Jack Claussen
Democrat
4917 N Winnifred St
Tacoma, WA 98407
(253) 383-3001

Education: Bachelor of Science, Doctorate U of W 1977

Occupation: Dentist

Professional Qualifications:

Personal Information: State resident 30+ yrs

Community Involvement:

Personal Views: Self educated in law and constitutional rights, his planned direction for Tacoma/Pierce County demonstrates a careful economic development will generate a future tax base to provide essential services to **all** residents: the rich, the poor and the overtaxed middleclass.

If the taxpayers are burdened by multimillion dollar boondoggels when this present period of easy money ends, then taxes will skyrocket and services will be eliminated.

The only concept that makes sense is development with a cautious eye to the economy of the future.

We do not need more government regulations.

We need business invested in Tacoma/Pierce County.

We (all of us) benefit when there are enough jobs for everyman and everywoman the earn a living wage.

Give 'Jack' a chance—He'll do it right—and everyone wins.



STATE LEGISLATURE

*28th District, Representative
Position No. 1*

Two-Year Term

Georganne "Gigi" Talcott
Republican
1320 Sunset Dr S
Tacoma, WA 98465
(253) 564-9779

Education: High School; B.S., Biology; M.A., Education

Occupation: Classroom teacher serving as your state representative

Professional Qualifications: Life-long educator; Dedicated community volunteer; Majority Whip of Washington State's House of Representatives (since 1994)

Personal Information: Married to Ron (retired military now working for Boeing) with sons (Scott and Burt) and three grandchildren

Community Involvement: As a Lakewood teacher, University Place parent, Fircrest church member, and a lifetime volunteer, **I love solving problems and helping people.**

Personal Views: As your state representative since 1992, I've helped lead our Legislature as we successfully **cut \$1.5 billion in taxes**, created a healthy emergency fund and **reduced crime** through tougher laws. We've changed government's way of doing business by moving able-bodied adults from **welfare to work** while **improving education** with increased funding and academic accountability. But the job's not done. I'm grateful for the broad range of individuals and organizations, including the Washington State Council of Police Officers, the Washington Federation of State Employees and the Sportsmen's Club who are supporting my reelection. It's an honor and a challenge to represent 103,000 individuals. It helps when I hear personally from you. Call me at home, 564-9779, anytime. **I'll always value your advice!**

T. Clinton Lowry
Democrat
7504 86th St SW
Lakewood, WA 98498
(253) 582-1910

Education: BA, in Political Science, Washington State 1951; JD, in Law, University of Washington 1954

Occupation: Lawyer

Professional Qualifications: Former asst. judge advocate in Air Force, former asst. city attorney for Tacoma, and former industrial appeals judge for the Board of Industrial Insurance Appeals. Private practice of law for about thirty-eight years.

Personal Information: Married for forty years to wife Ruth, have three adult children and five grandchildren. Have lived in Tacoma or Lakewood since 1937, except for time in the service.

Community Involvement: President of the Puget Sound Music Society, Served on Lakewood Advisory Commission, Worked on numerous citizens committees in City of Tacoma and was a member of the Defacto Segregation Subcommittee for the Tacoma School District

Personal Views: Where possible government should serve rather than rule. Regulatory agencies should be trying to solve problems, rather than perpetuating jobs. Schools need to be places of education and not warehouses for children. The environment needs management for human health and safety first and then wildlife habitation. The imposition of environmental beliefs devoid of valid science and solutions is not acceptable. Laws requiring that we do things that we do not know how to do are the mother of frustration and tyranny. We should require the government be competent.



STATE LEGISLATURE

28th District, Representative
Position No. 1 (Cont.)

Two-Year Term

Don R. Smith
Democrat
6124 88th St SW #3
Tacoma, WA 98499
(253) 582-2486

Education: Bucknell University (1949 - 1953) Bachelor's Degree: Poli. Sci./ English; Boston University Law School (1955 - 1957) Transfer to Univ. Kansas City; University Kansas City Law School (1957 - 1959) Bachelor of Laws Degree

Occupation: Retired - Sometimes engaged in Parttime Work. Over 10 Years as an attorney in both Public and Private Sectors after Military Service and Law School.

Professional Qualifications: Deputy Prosecutor handling Major Felonies (1964 - 1967). Private Trial Attorney specializing in Criminal Defense, Personal Injury, etc. (1967 - 1975). Military Service: Air Force Enlisted (1946 - 1949). Army Officer (1953 - 1962)

Personal Information: A Lakewood resident for over 30 Years. I am Single. I enjoy my solitude; however, I welcome the company of intelligent, attractive women.

Community Involvement: Presently limited. Active Democratic Party.

Personal Views: Like many others, I came to the Great Pacific Northwest in the Military, I liked it here and stayed.

Term Limits. Incumbent is seeking a 4th **Term:** Voters, by Initiative, have indicated 3rd term limit.

Lakewood City. Lakewood is a "sham". Most people did not want incorporation. Some boundaries are "obscene". City Council does not represent residents.

Primary Opponent. I am the **only Democrat** in this race. My opponent hides his true party affiliation and changes his name to conceal his identity.

"Thanks for your vote!"

Sherri Thomas
Republican
12209 Interlaken Dr SW
Lakewood, WA 98498
(253) 584-8816

Education: Pacific Lutheran University, BBA Accounting

Occupation: Clover Park Technical College - Accounting Coordinator, 4 years; Nalley's Fine Foods - Cost Accounting Manager, 7 years; Knight Vale & Gregory - Certified Public Accountant, 3 years

Professional Qualifications: Certified Municipal Leader; Lakewood City Councilmember

Personal Information: Married to Steve Thomas for 28 years with two grown children and two grandchildren.

Community Involvement: Chamber of Commerce; Lakewood Republican Women; Volunteer reading tutor; Lakewood First Lions; Prince of Peace Lutheran Church.

"Growing up in the area, owning a home and raising a family has taught me the value of solid community resources and the realities of paying for those services."

"Working with the youth has given me a glimpse into the future through the eyes of tomorrow's leaders. Working with seniors has given me an appreciation of our roots."

Personal Views: The 28th District has changed in the last six years with nearly all of the population now served by cities and towns. We need someone who understands municipal government, who will respect local control and can unite the district to work on regional issues.

Together we can create a healthy jobs-based economy and communities that provide a safe and affordable place to live, work and play. **Vote for Sherri to represent you.**



STATE LEGISLATURE

*28th District, Representative
Position No. 2*

Two-Year Term

Mike Carrell
Republican
10210 Lake Louise Dr SW
Lakewood, WA 98498
(253) 581-2859

Education: BA in Education from P.L.U. and post-graduate studies.
Occupation: Science and mathematics teacher at Gates Alternative High School
Professional Qualifications: State Representative 1995-1998. Vice-chairman of Finance, member of Law and Justice, and Children and Family Services Committees.
Personal Information: Mike and wife Charlotte, married 21 years, are long-time Lakewood residents with three children and two grandchildren.
Community Involvement: Member of Lakewood Chamber of Commerce, Becca Foundation board, Christ Lutheran Church, and various civic projects.
Personal Views: I have a record of solving community problems. If I'm re-elected I will continue to emphasize public safety, limiting government intrusion into people's lives, and helping parents of troubled teens through more "Becca Bill" legislation.
My anti-gang and sexual predator laws now help protect our community. My gun safe storage law will help keep weapons out of the hands of kids.
I pledge new efforts to lower taxes – especially property taxes. During my last term I returned trauma care to Pierce County **without** a large new car tax and helped stop a new gasoline tax.
I ask you to join with groups as diverse as Washington Council of Police and Sheriffs, Washington Property Rights Alliance and Tacoma Sportsmen's Club to keep me working for you.

Frank Cavaldon
Democrat
6002 51st St Ct W
University Place, WA 98467
(253) 565-2535

Education: Graduate Pierce College and Central Washington University, Law & Justice Major. Professional Education includes: Business management, legislative budgeting, and procurement. Drug enforcement/criminal justice and corrections training.
Occupation: Investigator, WA State DSHS
Professional Qualifications: Leadership, Integrity, Commitment. 25 years public service includes management of State and Federal programs, investigations, budgeting, and administration. United States Marine Corps combat veteran.
Personal Information: Married to Genal (Knoll), 2 Children, Pierce County Resident 18 years.
Community Involvement: Pierce College Distinguished Alumni Award, Pierce County Outstanding Volunteer Service Award, City of Tacoma Honored Citizen Award, Tacoma-Pierce County Municipal League Distinguished Citizen Award, Department of General Administration Professionalism Award, Central Washington University Special Achievement Award, WA State Outstanding Public Service Award, Governor's Committee on Disabilities and Employment Award.
Personal Views: *As your Representative, I will continue to work for our community. After a life-long career of public service, I am committed to the belief that government should operate openly and in partnership with the people it serves. I support our criminal justice community and believe that adequate funding should be a priority in our fight against crime. I will work for safe schools, safe neighborhoods, job training programs, and a clean environment. I pledge to utilize my experience to provide honest and responsive government. Thank you.*



STATE LEGISLATURE

*29th District
Senator*

Four-Year Term

Rosa Franklin
Democrat
7827 S Asotin St
Tacoma, WA 98408
(253) 473-6241

Education: Registered Nurse; BA degree – University of Puget Sound; MA degree – Pacific Lutheran University.

Occupation: Legislator

Professional Qualifications: 42 years of Nursing, Private and Public Sector. Served one-term in the House of Representatives. Completing 6 years in the Senate. Serve on several committees, also Democratic Whip. 1994-95 Vice President Pro Tem of the Senate, also Vice Chair of Human Service and Corrections Committee.

Personal Information: Married to Jim. We are parents and grandparents. Have lived in the district for 32 years.

Community Involvement: Southside Baptist Church – Member; Bates Technical College – Advisory Board; Tacoma Urban League – Member; Southend Neighborhood – Member; League of Women Voters – Member; Pierce County Nurses Association – Lifetime Member.

Personal Views: A strong voice in Olympia on issues affecting senior citizens, housing, healthcare, public safety, education, children and families, are important issues for my district. I also use the influence of my office to solve problems and cut through the red tape to help individuals. Critical to me, is to serve you with honesty, integrity, fairness and a sense of purpose, regardless of one's status in life. I will continue to emphasize strong families and communities working in partnership with government at all levels to help solve problems. It is an honor to serve you. I ask your support.



STATE LEGISLATURE

*29th District, Representative
Position No. 1*

Two-Year Term

Steve Conway
Democrat
8121 S Park
Tacoma, WA 98408
(253) 229-6535

Education: B.A.(History), University of Portland(1966); Ph.D.(History), University of Oregon(1979); Fulbright Fellow, London School of Economics(1972-1974)

Occupation: 10-year employee with United Food & Commercial Workers's Local 81 as labor relations specialist

Professional Qualifications: Legislator of the Year(1996, 1997, 1998), Washington State Council of Police Officers; Firefighter of the Year Award(1997), Washington State Council of Firefighters; National Senior Citizen 'Hall of Fame'(1995); Legislator of the Year(1993), Washington State Labor Council, AFL-CIO

Personal Information: My wife, Georgia, library associate with the Tacoma Public Library, and I have been residents of South Tacoma for 18 years. We have two sons, Levin and Collin, both graduates of the Tacoma School District.

Community Involvement: Tacoma School District Vocational Advisory Board; Franklin Pierce School District Vocational Advisory Board; Family Counseling Services Board; Washington State History Museum Trustee; Pierce County Central Labor Council

Personal Views: I have served as State Representative for South Tacoma and Parkland since 1993. My goals remain building and maintaining family-wage jobs in Washington State, full funding for K-12 education and workforce training, and strengthening public safety. I also believe in accounting for tax dollars through performance audits, and property tax relief for seniors and working families.



STATE LEGISLATURE

*29th District, Representative
Position No. 2*

Two-Year Term

Brian Sullivan
Democrat
5427 A St
Tacoma, WA 98408
(253) 472-5041

Education: Bellarmine High School 1985; University of Washington, B.A. 1990; Mississippi College, Law Degree 1994

Occupation: State Lawmaker, elected 1996; Tacoma area attorney; 314th Engineer Detachment Commander, U.S. Army Reserves, Ft. Lewis.

Professional Qualifications: Brian has served in the House of Representatives on the Criminal Justice, Financial Institutions and Insurance, and the Capital Budget Committees since 1996.

Personal Information: Brian and Julie were married in 1990 and have two daughters, Molly and Anne. Their home is on "A" Street.

Community Involvement: City Club of Tacoma; American Legion, Parkland Post #2; Family Members of Tacoma YMCA

Personal Views: Brian Sullivan knows the issues of the 29th District. As a Tacoma native and parent of two, he has consistently voted to get tough with criminals and for lower taxes. Brian has been a leader in fighting for a working wage for working families. His **90% favorable State Labor Council rating/endorsement** on issues concerning working families has served the district well. Brian was also one of the few Democrats in the Legislature to vote against late-term abortion in 1998. Brian's goals are to continue to be a **voice of moderation** in a highly partisan legislature and work towards the betterment of our community. Please re-elect Brian Sullivan.

Mark Martinez
Democrat
P.O. Box 112517
Tacoma, WA 98411
(253) 219-2266

Education: Graduated Bellarmine Preparatory School; Journeyman Roofer certification; Continuing education in Labor Relations.

Occupation: Business Representative, Roofers Local #153

Professional Qualifications: Commercial Roofer for 18 years. Work with people from all walks of life. Experienced in negotiating agreements beneficial to all parties. I bring to my job active listening skills, integrity and hard work.

Personal Information: Married, district residents for 12 years. Two children attending public school.

Community Involvement: Commissioner, Pierce County Housing Authority; Board of Directors, United Way of Pierce County; Pierce County Trauma Care Task Force, represented Labor; Habitat for Humanity volunteer.

Personal Views: I bring a fresh perspective to the Legislature, that of the working men and women of the district. I am proud of being a lunch bucket carrying, blue collar worker. I have raised a family on worker's wages. I've experienced unemployment and job injury. I understand education and training leads to jobs that pay family wages including benefits. I support programs that allow seniors to live in their homes as long as possible. I support affordable and accessible health care, public schools, safe streets and economic development balanced by environmental sensitivities. I believe fairness, open-mindedness and compassion must return to Olympia. I will serve the citizens of the district with these qualities.

Billy Johnson
Democrat
4614 1/2 Pacific Ave
Tacoma, WA 98408
(253) 474-3468

Education: BS, MS, Ph.D. in Business Management from Columbia State University.

Occupation: Investment/Financial Advisor.

Professional Qualifications: Commercial R.E., Mortgage Broker, Business Management.

Personal Information: City of Tacoma resident since 1981. My wife Laura and I have a 3 year old son, Donald.

Community Involvement: President of International Business District; Member of Cross District Association; Member of Working Group in Trade Development between State of Washington and Viet Nam; Trade Mission Development from 1995 through 1997 to Pacific Rim Nations with Governor Mike Lowry, Special Trade Representative Robert Randolph, State Representatives Velma Veloria, Dawn Mason and Lt. Governor Bradley Owen.

Personal Views: I know what it means to be ignored and neglected by the powers that can make a difference. I've been there. That's why I'm active in our diverse communities striving to make government work for all of us.



STATE LEGISLATURE

30th District

Senator

Four-Year Term

Ray Schow
Republican
P.O. Box 3948
Federal Way, WA 98063
(253) 925-0646

Education: High School in Montana and a lifetime of real-world experience.

Occupation: Owner of All Night Printery in Federal Way.

Professional Qualifications: **Senator** Ray Schow Chairs the Commerce and Labor Committee, he also serves on Ways and Means and Human Services and Corrections. 25 years of running a successful small business, Ray takes his practical business experience to Olympia.

Personal Information: **Father** and Grandfather

Community Involvement: **Many** hours volunteering his time and efforts to the community through numerous service organizations.

Personal Views: **He** understands the importance of working to create more quality family wage jobs. At onetime being a single parent himself, he knows how hard it is to work two jobs and successfully raise and educate children.

Being a victim of crime several times when his business was burglarized, Schow knows the devastating effect crime has on its victims. He's been a strong proponent for tougher laws and sentences, because of Schow's stance fighting crime the Washington State Patrol Troopers Association as well as the State Council of Police Officers and Sheriffs are actively supporting him.

Schow will be the first to admit that he is not a polished politician – but maybe a few more citizen legislators who bring their real life experiences to Olympia will make government more responsive.

Tracey J. Eide
Democrat
29214 13th PLS
Federal Way, WA 98003
(253) 941-7574

Education: University of Washington, Psychology and Child Development (1978-79); Highline Community College, Early Childhood Development, (1987-89 and 1990-92); University of Virginia – Darden Program for Emerging Political Leaders (1994)

Occupation: Field Director for Congressman Adam Smith

Professional Qualifications:

Personal Information: Tracey and Mark Eide have been married for 22 years and have two children, Joanna 15, and Mathew 11. The Eide family enjoys camping and hiking.

Community Involvement: Juvenile Justice Reform Task Force; PTA member for over 10 years; Recipient of two Golden Acorn awards for leadership in education; Volunteer of the Year Award, Federal Way School District; Federal Way Human Services Commission

Personal Views: Tracey's first priority is to push for tough academic standards and insure that our schools are accountable to the communities they serve.

She supports requiring developers to pay increased impact fees to address the problems of growth in our community.

Tracey Eide believes that we must do more to address juvenile crime. As Senator, she will put her experience with youth issues to work addressing the problems of juvenile crime and violence.

Tracey is a fiscal conservative, and independent thinker, and someone who will listen to you – not the special interests.



STATE LEGISLATURE

*30th District, Representative
Position No. 1*

Two-Year Term

Skip Priest
Republican
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Federal Way, WA 98023
(253) 661-0896

Education: B.A.—Willamette University; J.D.—George Washington University
Occupation: President, Priest Co.—A family-owned real estate management and business consulting company.

Professional Qualifications: Former Federal Way Mayor and City Council member. Former American Express and Glacier Park Co. executive and local small business owner.

Personal Information: Married to Trisha Bennett. Two children: Zachary and Amanda. Eagle Scout.

Community Service: District Chair-Nopi Soki District, Boy Scouts of America and Pacific Harbors Council Board member. Received Council's highest volunteer award—the Silver Beaver. Aquatic Foundation Board member. Federal Way Kiwanis and Historical Society member.

Personal Views: I am asking for your vote because together we **can** make a difference. We **can** make government more efficient by demanding state agencies be as penny-wise as the homeowners and small businesses funding their budgets. We **can** minimize the overall burden on taxpayers by eliminating unfair and unwise taxes. We **can** make our streets safer. We **can** develop a world class education system that recognizes that fundamental reading tools, classroom discipline, parental accountability and local decision making are common sense and not partisan issues! Why Skip Priest? Because no candidate is better prepared to make these ideas a reality.

Mark Miloscia
Democrat
30720 19th Ave S
Federal Way, WA 98003
(253) 839-7087

Education: BS Engineering, US Air Force Academy; MBA University of North Dakota; MA Clinical Psychology, Chapman University

Occupation: Director, Commercial Services, Tacoma Goodwill

Professional Qualifications: Pilot, B-52 (81-84)

Personal Information: Married to Meschell for 18 years. Elizabeth 16, Scott 14, Brian 8

Community Involvement: Commissioner, Lakehaven Utility District; Member, FW Chamber of Commerce; Board Director, FW Community Caregiving Network; Board Director, FW Boys and Girls Club; Member, St Vincent's Knights of Columbus; Winner, FW New Community All Star Team Award (96); Nominated, Raymond Hunthausen Humanitarian Award (93); Board President, FW Youth and Family Services (93); Vice President, Lake Dolloff PTA (91-92)

Personal Views: We need to reduce the size of government and make it more responsive to the people it serves. As a Lakehaven Utility Commissioner, I have a proven record of doing just that – fighting for open government, less taxes, and more accountability.

As a father, I see we have to eliminate the barriers that prevent schools from being more accountable to the communities they serve.

I am tired of sitting in an endless snarl of traffic and driving over broken down roads. We must work toward a long-term solution to our transportation crisis. I won't play games. Only straight talk, without the nonsense!

Ann Murphy
Republican
4603 SW 327th Pl
Federal Way, WA 98023
(253) 927-8087

Education: B.A. Finance. B.S. Accounting.

Occupation: Certified Public Accountant.

Professional Qualifications: Ann has hands on experience with both large and small businesses and understands the challenges faced by business owners. She has the budget experience we need in Olympia. As President of the Federal Way School Board, Ann is the best equipped to understand educational issues.

Personal Information: Life long resident of Washington. Married to John Murphy. Two children active in Tacoma Royals Soccer, Cub Scouts.

Community Involvement: President, Federal Way School Board, 1997 to present. Director, Federal Way School Board 1993-1997. Vice President, Federal Way Noon Kiwanis.

Personal Views: Ann believes government is too big, taxes us too much, and is a burden on working families, seniors and small businesses. Ann will work to repeal B&O taxes for small business under \$1 million in gross revenues. Education needs to focus on academics not social engineering. Ann has the courage to fight for the principles this country was founded on – limited government, strong families, and the free enterprise system. **Endorsements include: Human Life of Washington; The Washington State Taxpayers' Association; Washington State Rifle & Pistol Association; Western Fish & Wildlife Federation; Washington Property Rights Alliance.**



STATE LEGISLATURE

*30th District, Representative
Position No. 2*

Two-Year Term

Maryann Mitchell
Republican
33010 39th PLSW
Federal Way, WA 98023
(253) 874-5769

Education: University of Washington; City University

Occupation: Advocate for developmentally disabled and elderly

Professional Qualifications: Three term State Representative for the 30th District

Personal Information: Married to Sam Mitchell, Federal Way resident since 1979. Has five grown children and six grandchildren.

Community Involvement: Board member, South King County Multi-Service Center, 1992-94; Member, South King County Literacy Advisory Board, 1994-96; Board member, officer, Federal Way Women's Network, 1987-95; Chairwoman, Federal Way First! cityhood campaign, 1987-89; Member, Federal Way Community Council, 1985-87, vice president, 1986-87; State director, Washington State Special Olympics, 1971-72, 1977-78; Greater Federal Way Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year, 1990; Association of Washington Business Cornerstone Award 1995 and 1996.

Personal Views: You asked me, as your representative in Olympia, to consistently and faithfully work to solve the problems effecting this district as well as those of individual constituents. While a lot of my focus has been on transportation issues, I have also worked to lower crime rates, to allow for local control of our educational issues, to make state school construction dollars more quickly available, to lower your taxes and most importantly to emphasis responsible government. Some issues are complete and others continue to need work, with your help we can continue down the path toward good government.



STATE LEGISLATURE

31st District
Senator

Four-Year Term

Pam Roach
Republican
P.O. Box 650
Auburn, WA 98071
(253) 735-4210

Education: BA (history); secondary teaching certificate

Occupation: King County Council Legislative Aide

Professional Qualifications: Two-term State Senator; ten years serving constituents both on a county and state level; currently serves as the Chairman of the Senate Law and Justice Committee; member of the Ways and Means Committee; and member of the Natural Resources Committee.

Personal Information: Married 28 years, Pam and her husband, Jim, have five grown children and live on a small farm east of Auburn. Hobbies include: hiking, travel, and gardening.

Community Involvement: Auburn Food Bank Board of Directors; Boy Scouts of America, patron; Washington Economic Development Finance Authority; Sons of Italy, member.

Personal Views: I believe that Constitutional rights must be maintained and protected. We must reduce the growth in property taxes. To have safe neighborhoods we need a strong criminal justice system. That is why I fought for both "Hard Time For Armed Crime" and "Three Strikes, You're Out" laws. I lead the efforts to reform our drunk driving laws because I believe in protecting the innocent. We need an education system second to none which means greater parental involvement, and more school choice. Managed growth should occur on a local level and with respect for property owners. And, transportation dollars should not be diverted to non-transportation uses.

George Tracy
Democrat
903 E Main St #207
Auburn, WA 98002
(253) 804-6186

Education: Two years of accounting, Seattle Central Community College

Occupation: General Contractor

Professional Qualifications: Successful business owner for twenty years

Personal Information: A lifelong resident of this area, happily married to an elementary school principal and a proud father of two wonderful boys.

Community Involvement: Volunteer board member of Sierra Club. Habitat restoration of Newaukum Creek in Enumclaw with Mid-Sound Fisheries Enhancement Group.

Personal Views: Growth has effected our quality of life. Traffic congestion is choking our highways. Crowded schools are robbing our children of the education they deserve. Juvenile crime has grown to unacceptable levels. Sadly, our legislators are not working together for acceptable solutions.

Full funding, under state spending limits, will ensure quality public schools. Funding for new local schools should come largely from our state budget surplus and not from increasing property taxes. New development needs to pay its own way. Minors committing crimes need to face a justice system that will hold them accountable.

Government should focus on the business of providing quality education, good transportation, and safety for all citizens. I will work hard with both parties to find good, long-term solutions to these problems. I care about my family, my community and my state. I will provide the representation you deserve.



STATE LEGISLATURE

*31st District, Representative
Position No. 1*

Short Term/Two-Year Term

Dan Roach
Republican
P.O. Box 1718
Auburn, WA 98071
(253) 735-3694

Education: B.A. Degree in political science, minor in Spanish from Brigham Young University; in-service teacher training; graduated Auburn High School (former student body president and class president in Auburn schools).

Occupation: Computer technician for The Technology Integration Group and part-time researcher for the King County Council.

Professional Qualifications: Former Spanish instructor with first-hand knowledge of students and their educational needs; employed three legislative sessions by the State Senate and the House of Representatives; lead a 180 person full-time staff of a non-profit effort to help the impoverished latin population in Southern California. (Dan became fluent in Spanish during his efforts).

Personal Information: Raised on a small farm in rural Auburn; hobbies include fishing, hiking, volleyball, and golf; Dan is the son of State Senator Pam Roach.

Community Involvement: Dan, an Eagle Scout, is a scouting volunteer; has volunteered for the Special Olympics; is active in his Church service activities; helped successfully fight the residential siting of a solid waste incinerator.

Personal Views: Dan supports all Constitutional principles, governmental restraint, and a free market economy. Endorsed by police, he will give support to our criminal justice system. There should be more parental involvement in education, a lowering of property taxes, and local involvement in managed growth.

Darrell Carrier
Democrat
250 Charwila Ln #C
Enumclaw, WA 98022
(360) 802-0137

Education:

Occupation:

Professional Qualifications:

Personal Information:

Community Involvement:

Personal Views: From my home in Enumclaw I bring knowledge, experience, and education to the position I am asking you to select me for. I currently serve on the citizens advisory board for pierce county shuttle service. Also in Pierce County I serve in the Democratic Parties Legislative Action Commity. Education, quality of life, community safety are my main campaign points.

Enumclaw, although not in Pierce County, is at the center and the heart of the 31st District. My home is just a stone's throw from Highway 410 and I watch every day what we call the 410 corridor grow at a pace that needs watching. Another concern facing the people of Pierce County is the Super dump proposed for just outside Buckley. Also another concern for the people of Buckley is how fast their school district is growing. These are also concerns of mine. I ask you for your support and vote in the upcoming election. Thank You.

Rick Sems
Republican
3408 Orchard St SE
Auburn, WA 98092
(253) 939-6953

Education: M.Ed. – School Administration; Ph.D. – Educational Leadership; J.D. – In Progress

Occupation: Educator – 21 years.

Professional Qualifications: My doctoral dissertation was entitled: *The Process and Politics of Education Legislation in Washington State*. I have additional training in both Public Administration and Law. As a teacher and a school administrator I have had extensive experience developing problem-solving skills and building coalitions working with people from many different political and philosophical backgrounds.

Personal Information: Age – 47; Married 26 years; Three children; Veteran – U.S. Army. Received the Army's American Spirit Honor Medal.

Community Involvement: Supporter of various charities, including Habitat for Humanity. Involved in church youth work. Youth basketball coach.

Personal Views: One of the most pressing problems facing the political process today is political gridlock. Politicians have become much better at finding fault than at finding solutions.

As an educator, I have worked successfully with people from many different political and philosophical backgrounds. Only by working together can we find solutions.

We must not become disillusioned, we must become involved. **We must be Crusaders for Common Sense. We must demand a government that is “of the people, by the people, and for the people.”** If you share this dream, I want to be your voice in the Washington State legislature.



STATE LEGISLATURE

31st District, Representative
Position No. 1 (Cont.)

Short Term/Two-Year Term

Sue Singer
Republican
P.O. Box 699
Auburn, WA 98071
(253) 939-6180

Education: Associate of Arts degree, Green River Community College.

Occupation: Has owned and operated “Signs by Singer” for 14 years.

Professional Qualifications: As an elected member of the Auburn City Council, Sue serves on the Pierce County Regional Council, Puget Sound Regional Council, Suburban Cities Association, and Auburn Downtown Master Plan Task Force.

Personal Information: Born and raised in the Puget Sound area, Sue and Lee, her husband of 28 years, have two grown children, Doug and Marc.

Community Involvement: With a history of two decades of working to improve our community, Sue Singer is co-founder of the Auburn High School Parent Senate, Auburn Coalition on Teenage Pregnancy Prevention, and the Auburn Boys Basketball Association. Among many other community activities, Sue was a local PTA president and Washington State PTA Board of Directors member, president of Soroptimist International of Auburn, and a youth leader at White River Presbyterian Church. Sue has won numerous leadership awards, including “Citizen of the Month,” “Making a Difference for Women,” and Washington State PTA’s “Outstanding Service Award.”

Personal Views: “I am proud of my record of responsiveness to the people I serve. Listening to your ideas and concerns will always be my top priority as your state representative.”

Brent Warwick
Republican
P.O. Box 512
Enumclaw, WA 98022
(253) 735-2564

Education: Seattle University – Seattle, WA (Law & Justice); University of Washington – Seattle, WA (Business); Washington State University – Pullman, WA

Occupation: President/CEO Emerald Data Systems, Inc., Auburn, WA (last 12 years); Medical management software for Home Care industry – marketed nationwide

Professional Qualifications: Former King County Police Officer; Army Reserves – training specialist; Additional training in modern computer languages

Personal Information: Married to Myrna (“*She puts the color in my life.*”), two adult children, three wonderful grandchildren; Lifetime resident Western Washington; Pierce County (16 years) – King County (30 years)

Community Involvement: Auburn Chamber of Commerce; Citizens for Safety and Environment – Board Member (Legal research, legal liaison)

Personal Views: Brent Warwick is the only candidate **leading the effort to stop the White River Amphitheater** to protect our community. Brent and his wife Myrna, a retired Auburn teacher, know **local control of schools** must come first. Brent knows we must be **as tough on criminals as criminals are on their victims**. Brent understands health care issues and the challenges of small businesses. “As your representative I will work hard to find **creative, cost effective solutions** to these challenges.”

Michael Stensen
Democrat
1309 Lafromboise St
Enumclaw, WA 98022
(360) 825-5408

Education: Three years of college, the last at Pacific Lutheran University.

Occupation: Manufacturing Engineer for Boeing, 13 years.

Professional Qualifications: Trustee Award by the Washington State School Directors Association for completing WSSDA Leadership.

Personal Information: 52 years old, married for almost 25 years to Margie, 11 children, 9 of them adopted 12 grandchildren.

Community Involvement: I have served the citizens of Enumclaw in many different positions; four ½ years Enumclaw School Board, six years Enumclaw City Council, and six years Enumclaw Planning Commission. I have also served on the Enumclaw Juvenile Court Conference Committee for 23 years, and belonged to the Plateau Preservation Society.

Personal Views: I believe the number one priority of state government is to provide our children with the finest education possible. Creating a quality education system requires several key elements. First, you must empower teachers to teach. Second, you must fully fund basic education. Basic education needs to be defined by K-12 educators, higher education, and the business community. Third, we must establish high academic standards. I am also deeply concerned about juvenile justice. I believe that with our young offenders, education must be a key element in any punishment. Finally, I believe we all have an obligation to be good stewards of our environment.



STATE LEGISLATURE

*31st District, Representative
Position No. 2*

Two-Year Term

**Christopher Hurst
Democrat**

**62504 Indian Summer Way E
Enumclaw, WA 98022
(360) 663-2608**

Education: College degree in aviation (FAA-certified Airline Transport Pilot). State Police Academy (commissioned law enforcement officer).

Occupation: Law enforcement officer for the last 18 years, (last 12 years in narcotics investigations). Formerly a small business owner (forest products company).

Professional Qualifications: Chris is a skilled consensus builder, with practical experience dealing with the impact of drugs and crime on our community.

Personal Information: Chris is 43 years old, and has been married to his wife April for 19 years. They have two children in public schools, Andrew, 13, and Kimberly, 9. The family enjoys hiking, camping, and SCUBA diving.

Community Involvement: The Hursts are members of Calvary Presbyterian Church in Enumclaw and are involved in the youth program. Chris and April are strongly committed to the democratic process, and instituted a program in which they have registered over 4000 voters.

Personal Views: Chris will use his law enforcement experience developing ways to deal with at risk youth and constructive after school programs. Reducing teen pregnancy, gangs and drugs will ultimately cut the cost of welfare and crime.

Reduced class sizes and stabilized funding for education are priorities. Citizens want solutions, not partisan politics. Chris knows how to build consensus and will get things done in Olympia!

Education: MBA from UPS (Tacoma)—1971. Graduated 2nd in my class. BA in Marketing and General Business from UW (Seattle)—1978.

Occupation: Presently employed at Miller's Jewelers in Enumclaw, Washington (Store Manager/Head Appraiser). Spent 4 years with Ben Bridge Corporation (Assistant Store Manager) and owned a retail jewelry store in for 22 years. Served in US Army during Viet Nam crisis (1968-70).

Professional Qualifications: Served 5 years in the House of Representatives. Chairman of the House Financial Institutions and Insurance Committee. Was also the Vice-Chair of Government Administration Committee (only legislator to serve as a chair and a vice chair).

Personal Information: Married to Pauline (married 30 years) with four children: Joy (21), Lee (19), Jon (18) and Jil (16).

Community Involvement: Member of Kiwanis; PTA President and PTSA Vice President; Member of Auburn's American Legion, Post 78; member of Auburn, Kent, Enumclaw, Buckley and Bonney Lake Chambers.

Personal Views: "It is extremely important to continue the work that has begun to lower taxes, reduce welfare, reduce government spending, make government "User Friendly", make our streets safe again, reduce the transportation snarls, and ensure our children get a quality education so they can lead us into the 21st century making our state a great place to work, live and raise our families."

**Les Thomas
Republican
P.O. Box 568
Kent, WA 98035
(253) 854-9411**



PIERCE COUNTY

Auditor

Four-Year Term

Cathy Pearsall-Stipek
Democrat
2604 S 76th St
Tacoma, WA 98409
(253) 474-7817

Education: University of Washington, Business Administration, Home Economics; Certified Public Official degree.
Occupation: Pierce County Auditor
Professional Qualifications: Certified Public Official, Elections, Land Records, Record Management. 3rd Vice-President, National Association, County Clerks, Record-ers, Election Officials. **Former: State Legislator; Tacoma School Board Member; County Council Member; Owner/Manager Drapery Shop 29 years. Speaker: National Postal Forum; Election Center.**
Personal Information: Dave Stipek, Husband, Best-Friend, **Proud parents**, three sons, three daughters; **Proud grandparents of eleven. Two furry friends** Fergie and Franklin.
Community Involvement: Tacoma South Rotary Board Member; **United Asbury Methodist Church**, Member; **Chamber Commerce; City Club; Ladies Auxiliary VFW.**
Personal Views: *By using prudent management practices we returned \$559,709.00 to the 1997 General Fund; Increased* voter turnout from 24.1% to 76.3% with 53.26% of all registered voters **requesting** absentee ballots; Established **Voter Pamphlets** for all elections; Established new Election Center **within** budget resulting in **decreased** election costs; Decreased Voter Maintenance Costs of **\$158,586.00** to local jurisdictions over three years; Began sending **election results** to Out-Of-County/State/Overseas voters; Added Domestic Violence **warning** on Marriage License applications; Instituted New Imaging System capable of handling over **450,000 documents** yearly; Collected **\$115,631,970.75** Vehicle/Vessel Licensing revenue. *Cathy's 'no-nonsense' approach assures Honesty and Integrity within the Auditor's Office.*

Dale Washam
Independent
P.O. Box 73634
Puyallup, WA 98373
(253) 840-3567

Education:
Occupation:
Professional Qualifications: For over 20 years **Dale Washam** has been a **principled**, Pierce County **leader** who **fought vigorously** for many important **nonpartisan** grassroots issues.
A self taught legal activist, Dale believes the Ten Commandments are the foundation of the United States Constitution and should be followed in our daily lives.

Dale's legal talents have: stopped the **misuse** of \$16 million in taxpayers bonds; obtained a writ stopping Pierce County from signing a contract for **air polluting** incinerator; proved that citizens have lost their right to **recall** public officials; removed **pornographic** brochures from Puyallup schools; curbed **dope** manufacturing and dealing in Pierce County.

Dale, has worked legislatively for: term limits; property rights; fair rental laws; protecting the **integrity of voted ballots.**

When Auditor, Dale will stop the fraud-prone practice of opening voted ballots before election day. Dale will re-open convenient polling places.

Stunningly, Dale, the 1994 Republican candidate for Pierce County Auditor, received 78,511 votes (47.89%).

Personal Information: married 42 years; 4 children; 2 grandchildren; Pierce County resident 48 years; property owner; taught Sunday school and pro se law classes; coached youth sports; 4 years in USAF; college honor student; management – concurrently supervised several departments and numerous employees; *In God I Trust, Dale Washam.*

Community Involvement:

Personal Views:

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PIERCE COUNTY

Auditor (Cont.)

Four-Year Term

Will Baker
Independent
809 S I St Ste#306
Tacoma, WA 98405
(253) 627-1317

Education:

Occupation:

Professional Qualifications:

Personal Information:

Community Involvement:

Personal Views: I believe the number one issue in the 1998 County elections ought to be the illegal and unethical election practices used by the person who runs Pierce County elections and current county councilmembers who have attempted to protect these practices.
Fact #1. All Pierce County elections are run by the Pierce County Auditor. (A public office that all citizens throughout Pierce County get to vote on.)

Fact #2. The Pierce County Auditor also runs the licensing department. (You know, where you pay for your car tabs.)

Fact #3. Three of the last five Auditors who have been “elected” (including the current Auditor, Cathy Pearsall-Stipek) have ended up on the losing end of court cases as a direct result of their actions on the job while in office. (That’s every other auditor for the last 55 years.)

Fact #4. Two of those three Auditors went to jail.

Fact #5. Tuesday, Jan. 9, 1996, Cathy Pearsall-Stipek closed over 150 voting precincts throughout Tacoma and Pierce County and forced 24,000 citizens in those precincts to vote by mail, whether they wanted to or not. (The Auditor eventually backed down only after months of public outrage.)

Insist on Legal Elections!

Scott Smith
Republican
19311 110th Ave Ct E
Graham, WA 98338
(253) 846-8947

Education: Accounting Degree

Occupation: Insurance Agent 1991-1997; Photographer 1997-Present

Professional Qualifications: State Representative, 2nd District - 2 terms; Government Administration Committee member (overseeing elections)

Personal Information: Married to Leslie, with three children. Live in Graham.

Community Involvement: Paint Tacoma/Pierce County Beautiful; Scout Advisor; Active in Church

Personal Views: I’m uniquely qualified for the County Auditor position because of my legislative experience. I’ve sponsored several bills to assure honesty and integrity in our election system. One bill would have required the Department of Motor Vehicles to assess U.S. Citizenship **before** registering people to vote. Today, that’s illegal. We can’t even ask if they are citizens. We simply register them to vote.

Another bill I sponsored would have stopped premature opening of ballots — thus stopping election workers from identifying trends. Under my administration, **we won’t open or tally ballots until Election Day.** Additionally, I’ll reopen many voting places closed by the current Auditor.

Every single vote and who you vote for is vital to actually winning this election. It doesn’t matter whether you’re Republican, Democrat, Independent, Libertarian, Reform Party or Heritage Party — if you agree we need a new County Auditor, I would appreciate your discerning and crucial vote. Elect **Scott Smith** for County Auditor. *It’s a matter of trust!*

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WHO ARE SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CONTENTS THEREIN.



PIERCE COUNTY

Prosecuting Attorney

Four-Year Term

John W. Ladenburg
Democrat
7301 S Alaska St
Tacoma, WA 98408
(253) 472-6839

Education: Bachelor's Degree: Political Science 1971, Gonzaga; Juris Doctorate, 1974, Gonzaga

Occupation: Pierce County Prosecuting Attorney 1987 to present; Private Practice Attorney 1974-1987

Professional Qualifications: 24 years experience as a trial lawyer, 12 as elected Prosecutor. Active in trying complex homicide cases and managing the second largest prosecution office in the State. Chair of the Pierce County Law and Justice Commission; Member of the Governor's Drug Policy Board; Director, Statewide Drug Prosecution Program; Former President: State Prosecutors Association

Personal Information: Washington State native, raised in Pierce County. Married to wife, Connie, for 29 years. Five children, two grandchildren.

Community Involvement: Safestreeets Board 1987-98; Eastside Boys & Girls Club Board 1986-97; Chair, Indian Land Claims Committee 1989-90; Tacoma Actors Guild Board 1989-90

Personal Views: I am proud to have made the Pierce County Prosecutor's Office into one of the best in the state. The Independent Performance Auditor's singled out our office as the most management efficient in the County, while still maintaining a conviction ratio equal to any office in the State. It takes experience and ability to manage a office of over 110 prosecutors. I have demanded tough, but fair, prosecutions and have been willing to take on the big cases and the intrenched criminals.



PIERCE COUNTY

Council
District No. 1

Four-Year Term

Jan Shabro
Republican
P.O. Box 7381
Bonney Lake, WA
98390
(253) 862-9048

Education: Pacific Lutheran University - B.S. and M.A., Education

Occupation: Pierce County Council Member

Professional Qualifications: My working career includes: 10 years as a public school teacher, an instructor for the Boeing Company, office manager, legislative assistant in Olympia, and executive secretary to the Secretary of State.

Personal Information: My husband, Dick, and I have four adult children and two grandsons.

Community Involvement: Creator Lutheran Church - member; Valley Women's Republican Club - member; 2nd & 29th Republican Club - member

Personal Views: These past four years, **I held the line on taxes**, added **15 new deputy sheriffs**, and created four Land Use Advisory Commissions to give citizens more say in **local land use** issues.

I sponsored legislation that gave more than \$80 million in low-interest loans to local businesses **saving more than 1,600 jobs** and **creating 150 more family-wage jobs**.

Low-income senior citizens and the disabled have reduced stormwater fees because I worked to change state law.

I sponsored ordinances that reduce flooding and require stormwater be clean before discharged into our rivers and lakes.

More challenges face us: a new jail, the Endangered Species Act, performance audits, etc.

Your vote is important so I can continue to work for you.



PIERCE COUNTY

Council

District No. 5

Four-Year Term

Wendell Brown
Democrat
5015 E "D" St
Tacoma, WA 98404
(253) 472-1738

Education: University of Puget Sound. B.A. Business.

Occupation: Insurance agent, County Councilmember.

Professional Qualifications: Former member House of Representatives, Former Assessor-Treasurer, past six years member of the County Council.

Personal Information: Born and raised in Pierce County. Graduate of Mt. Tahoma High School, Bates Vocational School and the University of Puget Sound. I also served in the United States Air Force. I'm married, have three children and four grandchildren.

Community Involvement: Boy's and Girl's Club of Pierce County, American Cancer Society, Board member Centro Latino, Life member Disabled American Veterans, AMVETS and Veterans of Foreign Wars, Domestic Violence Commission, Safe Streets board, Health Board member and Pierce Transit board.

Personal Views: Code enforcement: I began a campaign to clean up the problems with abandoned & Junk vehicles, illegal dumping and operating a business without a permit. I'm committed to strengthening the code to enforce these regulations. **Public Safety:** This year we added 16 Sheriff's deputies and strengthen the domestic violence program. We are beginning the process of building a new Jail. **Senior Citizens:** I voted against the increased surface water management fee proposed by the county, when it passed, I went to Olympia and fought for an exemption to these fees for seniors, which we won. I'm also fighting for full funding of senior centers.

Rosey M. Hargrove
Democrat
8421 E "F" St
Tacoma, WA 98445
(253) 535-1799

Education: Graduated from Roy High School. Attended Business College. Have been a small business owner in the city of Tacoma. Graduate of WACED Academy.

Occupation: Homemaker. Supporter of Tone School for homeless children.

Personal Qualifications: Vice Chair 29th Democratic District. Co-Vice Chair South End Neighborhood Council. Lobbied for Legislative HB1460, Double Taxation for Drainage. This bill was never implemented by County.

Personal Information: Married to a retired Tacoma Police Officer. Two grown children.

Community Involvement: Rosey Hargrove has been a community activist in Pierce County for more that 15 years. She knows that our county faces tremendous challenges. Rosey has the skill and dedication to direct that positive change. She understands that county government is complex and that growth and development must be tempered by careful attention to issues such as planning, environmental concerns and affordable housing.

Personal Views: Critical issue facing our county cry out for a common sense approach to government. Vote for Rosey on primary election day, Sept. 15, 1998. Rosey understands that putting people first must be more than a slogan.



PIERCE COUNTY

Council

District No. 7

Four-Year Term

Karen Biskey
Republican
P.O. Box 1602
Gig Harbor, WA
98335
(253) 858-6318

Education: University of Washington; Seattle Central Community College

Occupation: Pierce County Council 1995-1998; Registered Nurse

Professional Qualifications: Pierce County Council (Chair); Puget Sound Regional Council Executive Committee; Pierce County Law and Justice Commission (Chair); Public Safety Human Services Committee (Chair); Planning and Environment Committee (Chair); Pierce County Trauma Care Task Force (Chair); Performance Audit Committee; Commission for Children, Youth and Families; Pierce County Regional Council; Law Enforcement and Fire Fighters Disability Advisory Board; Tacoma – Pierce County Health Department Board of Directors

Personal Information: My husband of 27 years and I have three children who attend local public schools. We have lived in Pierce County since 1980 and in the Puget Sound area for 30 years.

Community Involvement: League of Women Voters; Peninsula Heritage Land Trust; Tahoma Audubon Society; Tacoma City Club; Rails to Trails; Tahoma Land Conservancy

Personal Views: In the next four years I want to establish improved relations between county and city governments, assure a restoration program for salmon and maintain improvements made in growth management. Economic stability, clean air and water, open spaces for people and wildlife, good schools and safe streets are what we all want. I am committed to making our communities the best they can be for us and for generations to follow.



STATE SUPREME COURT

Justice
Position No. 1

Six-Year Term

Faith Ireland
1301 5th Ave
#2500
Seattle, WA 98101
(206) 669-6114

Education: University of Washington, Willamette Law School, M.S. Taxation, Golden Gate, named "Outstanding Graduate."

Occupation: Judge Faith Ireland is the *only* candidate with any judicial experience. In fifteen years on King County Superior Court she helped cut a 40,000 case backlog and served as presiding judge of the juvenile court. Before that she practiced for law thirteen years.

Professional Qualifications: Judge Ireland is a trusted leader in the effort to reform our courts and justice system. Elected President, State Superior Court Judges; named Judge of the Year by trial lawyers. Former Dean of the Washington Judicial College; faculty member, National Judicial College.

Personal Information: Judge Ireland and her husband reside in Seattle.

Community Involvement: Board of Seattle Rotary, Past President Wing Luke Asian Museum, Past Board Member, Big Sisters.

Personal Views: Judge Faith Ireland's concern for victims as well as defendants in handling of more than 2,000 criminal cases has drawn statewide endorsements from those who closely monitor how our courts render justice including: State Patrol Trooper's Association, Washington Police/Sheriffs, Law Enforcement Administrators of Washington, Washington Firefighters, Women's Political Caucus, and Washington Education Association.

Judge Ireland believes the civil justice system takes too long and costs too much. She is committed to provide the leadership for reform.

James Patrick "Jim"
Foley
P.O. Box 206
Raymond, WA 98577
(360) 942-2114

No Statement Was Received



STATE SUPREME COURT

Justice

Position No. 1 (Cont.)

Six-Year Term

Douglas J. Smith
3201 Wetmore Ave
Everett, WA 98201
(425) 258-4539

Education: Graduated from Roosevelt High School in Port Angeles, Whitman College in Walla Walla, and the University of Washington Law School

Occupation: Attorney. Doug served as deputy prosecuting attorney in Yakima and has practiced law for 36 years in Seattle, Washington D.C., and Everett.

Professional Qualifications: Law practice has covered the entire spectrum of the law, including several important cases involving constitutional law issues. He has devoted the past twelve years to trial and appellate practice, representing ordinary citizens.

Personal Information: The father of four grown children, Doug has six grandchildren

Community Involvement: Active in his local church and community affairs, Doug has frequently lectured at legal seminars. He served in Korea, retiring from the naval reserve with the rank of captain, and served in the office of the Secretary of Defense at the Pentagon and in the White House as special assistant to President Gerald Ford.

Personal Views: The Supreme Court must insure that the law of the land is enforced and, at the same time, protect individual rights and freedoms. Equal and exact justice for all cannot be compromised by political expediency. Doug's experience and proven leadership ability will allow him to serve the people of the state of Washington with integrity, prudence and ability.

Eric Nielsen
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Ste 108
Seattle, WA 98155
(206) 364-8317

Education: Eric Nielsen earned his BA from The Evergreen State College and he graduated with honors from the University of Puget Sound Law School.

Occupation: Eric is an attorney/member of the law firm Nielsen, Broman & Associates P.L.L.C.

Professional Qualifications: Eric has argued hundreds of cases in our Supreme Court and in the three state appellate courts, resulting in over 100 published decisions. Eric has also been a trial attorney, and was the law clerk for a former King County Superior Court Judge.

Personal Information: Eric was born and raised in Seattle and worked his way through college as a cook and truck driver. After college he started a contracting business which he ran while attending law school. Eric and his family currently live in Lake Forest Park.

Community Involvement:

Personal Views: The Supreme Court is the highest appeals court in the state. The people of this state deserve someone who has extensive appellate court experience. Eric believes the Supreme Court's most important responsibility is to protect our constitutional rights. Eric believes the court should interpret and apply the law fairly in every case. Eric believes people should have the right to take their legal disputes to court and have them resolved fairly and quickly.

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STATE SUPREME COURT

Justice

Position No. 1 (Cont.)

Six-Year Term

Kris Sundberg
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Seattle, WA 98117
(206) 726-2989

Education: Oak Harbor High School; BA, University of Washington; JD, College of William & Mary

Occupation: Civil attorney

Professional Qualifications: 22 years experience in the law: 4 years – Federal court administrator. 4 years – Assistant city attorney prosecuting criminal offenders. 14 years – Private practice in the Puget Sound area.

Personal Information: Kris and wife, Nancy, live on Mercer Island with their daughter, Kristin.

Community Involvement: Since 1995, Kris has volunteered in the legal challenges against taxpayer-funded stadiums and parking garages.

Personal Views: I'm running to return our courts to common sense principles of constitutional justice.

Our courts have permitted taxpayer-funded stadiums and parking garages, upholding these projects as public “emergencies” that did not violate constitutional prohibitions against public subsidies for private businesses. Our courts have consistently expanded the power of government at the expense of individual rights and liberties. This must change.

Our courts are supposed to be independent guardians of justice, protecting people and property from the improper assaults of government and special interest. Our courts must ensure justice for the victims of crime while simultaneously protecting the rights of the accused. As Justice, I will ensure a fair and impartial hearing for everyone, rich or poor, regardless of power or popularity.

Glen Prior
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Graham, WA 98338
(253) 926-8931

Education: B.A. with Honors, Eckerd College; Juris Doctor (J.D.) Seattle University School of Law; Class in Fundamental Rights taught by U.S. Supreme Court Justice Kennedy in Austria.

Occupation: Lawyer

Professional Qualifications: Lawyer licensed to practice law in the great State of Washington.

Personal Interests: My wife and three children, Bagpipes, micro-tonal music: wrote a book on music math; have musical compositions published nationally and internationally, built a marimba in the “31- meantone temperament; played with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, wrote and produced a musical album.

Community Involvement: CO-chair of the Washington State Bar Association’s Civil Rights Committee, member of the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, participate in some legal cases without fee or for a low fee for the purpose of either challenging laws I feel are unconstitutional or to simply help, Seattle University School of Law’s moot court competitions.

Personal Views: I will not accept any campaign contributions for this honorable position because I believe that true justice cannot be bought: All the money in the world will not change the direction of true north nor will it change the direction of true justice. A judge should strive to make an independent right and just decision without feeling pressure from outside economic interests.

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STATE SUPREME COURT

Justice

Position No. 1 (Cont.)

Six-Year Term

Hugh Spitzer
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Seattle, WA 98125
(206) 447-1992

Education: Yale University B.A. cum laude; University J.D; University of California LL.M.
Occupation: Respected attorney 24 years, including trial, government and business practice. UW law professor teaching state constitutional and local government law. Special prosecuting attorney and special attorney general on state constitutional and finance issues.

Professional Qualifications: Hugh Spitzer is rated “Exceptionally Well Qualified” by all six bar association rating groups, including King County Bar Association and Washington Women Lawyers. Endorsements statewide from judges, prosecutors, lawyers and community leaders, including former Governor Dan Evans, Justice Robert Utter (ret.), Appeals Judge Elaine Houghton, Brian Ebersole, Doug Sutherland, Judge Arthur Verharen, Ted Bottiger, Harold Moss, Barbara Skinner, Art Wang, Tacoma Firefighters, Pierce County and State Labor Councils, Washington Education Association, National Organization for Women, Washington Mainstream Republicans, Washington Young Democrats, and King County Police Guild.

Personal Information: Age 49. Wife Ann and three daughters.

Community Involvement: Active in affordable housing, access-to-justice and water quality protection.

Personal Views: Hugh Spitzer is known for his judgment and integrity. He is committed to a neutral, nonpolitical court. He believes that courts should uphold and interpret the law and protect constitutional rights – but not legislate. Hugh Spitzer will promote dignity and respect among members of the Court, regardless of differing views.



STATE SUPREME COURT

Justice
Position No. 5

Six-Year Term

Jim Bates
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#2920
Seattle, WA 98164
(206) 623-1422

Education: B.A., University of Washington, J.D., University of Washington School of Law; L.L.M., Harvard Law School.

Occupation: Judge, King County Superior Court.

Professional Qualifications: In 1981, Judge Bates was appointed to the Superior Court, becoming at age 33 one of the youngest people to hold that position. He has presided over thousands of civil, criminal, and family law cases, including controversial cases such as the David Lewis Rice and William Pawlyk murder trials and King County's lawsuit against the Seattle Seahawks. The Washington State Patrol Troopers Association says that Judge Bates possesses "the principles and dedication to represent the citizens of our state with the highest degree of integrity and professionalism as a Supreme Court Justice."

Personal Information: Judge Bates handled many cases pro bono in private practice. He frequently speaks at seminars for trial lawyers, lectures at the University of Washington, and hosts classes of all ages in his courtroom. A lifelong Washingtonian, he shares with his wife the joys and responsibilities of raising their two young children.

Community Involvement:

Personal Views: Court rules need to be more uniform to decrease delays and increase access to justice. Our Supreme Court needs more predictability, civility and consensus building, to provide strong and reliable guidance to attorneys and judges.

Linda Callahan
McCaslin
4928 131st St SW
Mukilteo, WA 98275
(425) 743-1081

Education: J.D., University of Notre Dame Law School, *with honors*; B.A., Political Science, and B.S., Public Administration, Hawaii Pacific University, *with highest honors*. Awards include the prestigious national *Truman Scholarship*.

Occupation: Now serving Washington citizens as deputy prosecutor, McCaslin was district court judge pro-tem and attorney to our State Senate. She worked seventeen years in union and management before retiring to enter public service.

Professional Qualifications: This hard-working prosecutor identifies more with fellow citizens than with the legal establishment. Once a fulltime working mother earning degrees at night, and a single parent earning scholarships throughout law school, her experiences uniquely qualify her to bring the people's perspective to the court. People with real experience from ordinary walks of life wrote our constitution. Today, we need the same experience and common sense interpreting it.

Personal Information:

Community Involvement: A frequent volunteer for the homeless and victims of domestic violence, McCaslin formerly helped campaigns to fulfill civic duties. She is active in community women's groups, has served on parent associations and led a young women's church group.

Personal Views: The people need more than just legal intellect and experience on their highest court. McCaslin brings that plus the wisdom of real world experience, life-learned common sense, and people's perspective to their Supreme Court.

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STATE SUPREME COURT

Justice

Position No. 5 (Cont.)

Six-Year Term

Barbara Madsen
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(253) 209-7588

Education: B.A. Political Science—U.W. (Pigott Scholarship); Law degree—Gonzaga University School of Law.

Occupation: Supreme Court Justice

Professional Qualifications: Justice Madsen has practiced law for 21 years in Washington as defense attorney, prosecutor and judge. Madsen was elected to the Supreme Court in 1992, only the third woman on the court. She was selected Acting Chief Justice in 1994. Previously, she was a Judge in Washington's busiest court and the first to serve consecutive terms as its Presiding Judge.

Personal Information:

Community Involvement: Barbara and Don live in Fircrest with their children—Sam, 17, Hillary, 15, Eleanor, 11, and Beau, 6. Barbara volunteers in Tacoma schools, Judges in the Classroom, PTA, U.S. Navy Sea Cadets, Campus Life, and Gonzaga's Board of Visitors. She received Washington Women Lawyers' 1998 Vanguard Award and was named An Important Woman by Thurston County Women's Symposium.

Personal Views: "Courts must maintain stability in the law so citizens may plan their affairs. Courts must also protect individual rights. A good judge must be both an experienced lawyer and an unbiased arbiter, a person with a balanced, common sense approach to law. My extensive and balanced legal training and deep commitment to community have enabled me to make fair, solid decisions on the serious issues facing Washington."



STATE SUPREME COURT

Justice

Position No. 6

Six-Year Term

Greg Canova
800 5th Ave Ste100
#163
Seattle, WA 98104
(206) 521-3819

Education: Vancouver, Washington schools. USC Law. Washington State University.
Occupation: Chief Criminal Prosecutor and Senior Assistant Attorney General.
Professional Qualifications: 16 years heading A.G. Criminal Division; 7 years as King County prosecutor. Prosecuted 250 felony trials.

Led units for homicide investigations, commitment of sexually violent predators, Medicaid fraud, environmental crimes.

Helped ensure fair and effective death penalty laws, humane treatment of sexual assault victims.

Personal Information: Married to Judge Barbara Linde; children ages 8 and 5; hiking, camping.

Community Involvement: Fauntleroy Children’s Center; Washington State Crime Prevention Association, Council on Crime and Delinquency, Associations of Prosecuting Attorneys & Sheriffs and Police Chiefs.

Personal Views: *Greg Canova will restore to this position common sense, fairness and concern for victims and justice.*

Canova’s supporters include 38 elected Prosecutors; Troopers; King County, Seattle, Snohomish County police associations; Sheriffs and Police Chiefs statewide; Christine Gregoire; Ken Eikenberry; John Ladenburg, Mainstream Republicans; King, Snohomish County Democrats; Washington Conservation Voters; NOW; NARAL; WSLC; IAM; WFSE; WEA.

Canova’s opponent voted to eliminate the Three Strikes law, saying it was too harsh on violent criminals. Canova’s opponent voted to eliminate laws protecting citizens against stalking, and sexually violent predators; voted to *allow* discrimination on the job, and said the Constitution gives politicians a right to lie.

Richard B. Sanders
2800 E Madison
#300
Seattle, WA 98112
(206)320-8904

Education: University of Washington undergraduate, law degree.

Occupation: Supreme Court Justice

Professional Qualifications: For 26 years as an attorney, I represented ordinary citizens when their rights had been violated. My cases helped shape Washington constitutional law. On the Supreme Court, I work to protect the rights of everyone. Since my election, I’ve authored 80-plus opinions –more than any other justice.

Personal Information: My wife, Kathleen, three children and I live in Bellevue; native of Tacoma, Eagle Scout, high school debate captain, college columnist.

Community Involvement: My personal mission is to “bring the Court to the people,” by talking to hundreds of individuals and groups. I volunteer to swear in new American citizens and meet with students. I want to help people learn about the Court’s important role in protecting individual liberties.

Personal Views: I am a scholar of the Washington Constitution, which has even greater protections of individual liberties than the federal constitution. I believe the Court must defend the rights of the people – which must not be trampled by government. City Hall is not above the law; government must be held accountable. Not surprisingly, my views contrast with those of my opponent, a government attorney, who advocates for the authority of the state over the lives of ordinary citizens.

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COURT OF APPEALS

Division II, District No. 1

Position No. 1

Six-Year Term

Karen G. Seinfeld
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Education: Bachelor Arts Political Science: Stanford University; Juris Doctor Cum Laude: University of Puget Sound

Occupation: Appellate Court Judge: 1992-current (Chief Judge 1994-96); Superior Court Judge – Pierce County 1987-92

Professional Qualifications: Civil and Criminal Deputy Prosecuting Attorney; First General Counsel to County Council; Commissioner, Court of Appeals; Member, State Bar Rules Committee; Instructor – Continuing Legal Education Classes; Past President, Puget Sound Inn of Court; Past State Bar Examiner; Former Third Grade Public School Teacher

Personal Information: Married for 37 years to Dennis Seinfeld, principal in Davies Pearson Law Firm; Three children: Keith (married to Beth Roberts), Jeff (married to Lara Shoolman), and Nicole; and one grandchild

Community Involvement: City Club of Tacoma, Founding Member – President Elect; Chair, Board of Visitors, Seattle University School of Law; Tacoma Opera Society, Board Member; Tacoma Public Library, Past Board Member and Chair; Sunrise Rotary, Career Development Chair; Volunteer Reading Tutor, McCarver Elementary School

Personal Views: An appellate court judge is responsible for writing decisions that shape the law for future generations. My education, career and life experiences – trial court judge, teacher, mother of three, community volunteer – uniquely qualify me to decide cases fairly, clearly, and with sensitivity to the needs of the parties and the community.



TACOMA MUNICIPAL COURT

Judge

Department No. 2

Four-Year Term

Jack Emery
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Tacoma, WA 98401
(253) 594-1969

Education: Bellarmine Preparatory; Gonzaga University; University of Washington School of Law

Occupation: Attorney, 27 years

Professional Qualifications: Pro Tem Judge, Pro Tem Commissioner; Arbitrator; Attorney, private practice

Personal Information: Life-long resident of Pierce County; Viet Nam Veteran

Community Involvement: St. John Bosco Church; Optimist Club; Kiwanis; Boys and Girls Club

Personal Views: As a veteran attorney with over twenty-five years experience, Jack Emery will be a judge we can count on to be tough but fair.

After graduation from law school and a tour of duty in Viet Nam, Jack came home to set up his practice. For the past twenty-five years he has been helping real people deal with real problems. That's why he's such an outstanding choice for Municipal Court Judge.

Jack Emery will bring a strong sense of fairness and integrity to the bench. Endorsed by a host of community leaders including Congressman Dicks, State Auditor Brian Sonntag, and Tacoma Mayor Brian Ebersole, Jack Emery will be a Judge we can count on.

Jack Emery

Because Experience Counts.

Judson Gray
4142 6th Ave
Tacoma, WA 98406
(253) 759-1141

Education: Charles Wright Academy; University of Redlands; Willamette College of Law.

Occupation: Self-employed attorney 13+ years.

Professional Qualifications: Tacoma Municipal Court Judge Pro Tem Panel; Pierce County District Court Judge Pro Tem; Fife Municipal Court Judge Pro Tem Panel; Superior Court Arbitrator; Superior Court Guardian ad Litem; Washington/Pierce County Bar Associations.

Personal Information: Born and raised in Lakewood/Tacoma. Married to Gayle Gilpin Gray, merchandising manager, Union Bay Sportswear. Interests include hiking, skiing, basketball, and theatre.

Community Involvement: Tahoma Land Conservancy; Charles Wright Academy Alumni Association; Tacoma-Pierce County YMCA Partnership for Youth Volunteer.

Personal Views: The Municipal Court is the people's court. I will never forget I serve the people. I make the solemn pledge that I will dispense justice with an even temperament respecting individual diversity and honoring our constitution.

My judicial philosophy is one of self-reliance and self-responsibility. I will enforce the law and hold people accountable for their own actions. I will curb unrestrained power and restore rational jurisprudence. It has been my lifelong desire to serve this community as your judge.

As your judge, I will be a motivator, a disciplinarian, a provider of justice. With your help, I will improve the quality of life in Tacoma through fair and impartial decisions.

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TACOMA MUNICIPAL COURT

Judge

Department No. 2 (Cont.)

Four-Year Term

Katherine M. Stolz
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Education: BA (PoliSci/Phil) University of Washington June 1976; JD University of Puget Sound Law School May 1979; Continuing Legal Education

Occupation: Admitted to Washington State Bar October 1979; Sole Practitioner from 1979 to Date; Judge/Commissioner Pro Tem Tacoma Municipal Court from 1985 to date

Professional Qualifications: Since I was admitted to the Washington State Bar, my practice has largely been in those areas of the law which most affect the individual-divorce; child custody; child support and misdemeanor crimes. I have been acting as a Judge/Commissioner Pro Tem for Tacoma Municipal Court since 1985 and have heard wide variety of cases.

Personal Information: Born: July 22nd, 1955 in Port Arthur, Texas; Marital Status: Old Maid with Cats; Personal Interests: Gardening; Reading (Civil War, History, Archeology); Antiques; Rescue/Relocate Feral Cats.

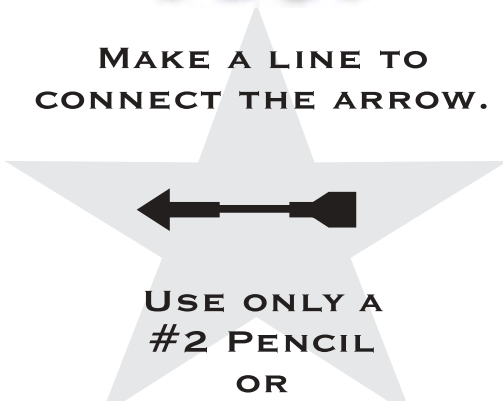
Community Involvement: Tacoma-Pierce County Humane Society

Personal Views: I have found over the years I have been in practice, that any involvement with the judicial system for most individuals leaves them anxious, bewildered and often frustrated. I have found as an attorney, I have not only acted as an advocate, but often as a counselor, referral service and support person. Increasingly, the Courts themselves have become, not just adjudicators of the law, but forces for social change.

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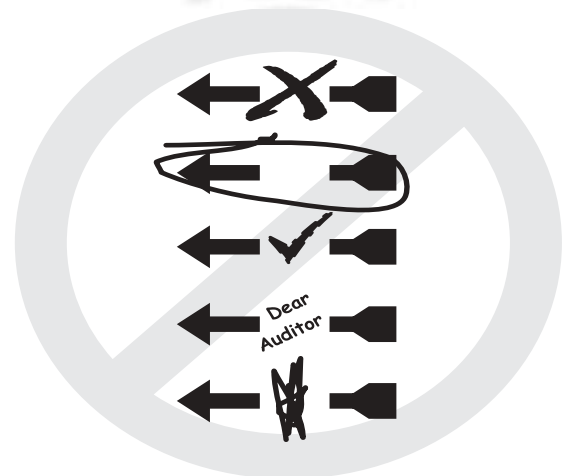
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CITY OF BUCKLEY

Proposition No. 1
Submitted by the City of Buckley
REGULAR PROPERTY TAX LEVY FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Ballot Title: Shall the City of Buckley be authorized to impose, in place of an expiring levy, a regular property tax levy not to exceed \$0.39 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation for each of six consecutive years, beginning in 1999, to continue providing emergency medical services?

Explanatory Statement: In 1992, voters of the City of Buckley approved a six-year property tax levy of \$0.25 per \$1,000 of assessed value for emergency medical service (EMS) purposes. This property tax levy, if approved by the voters, will continue an EMS levy for a six-year period.

This levy asks for a property tax levy of \$0.39 per \$1,000 of assessed value for emergency medical services. This increase is necessary to meet the funding needs of emergency medical services in the City of Buckley.

Funds raised by this levy will continue to pay the costs of assuring emergency medical services; provide for the readiness of an emergency response; and meet the emergency medical needs of our community. The funds will allow for the upgrading of emergency medical equipment, initial and ongoing training of medical personnel, and provide the means to meet inflationary increases in costs of supplies, equipment, repairs, and maintenance.

Statement For:

The City of Buckley Volunteer Fire Department needs your support to replace the current Emergency Medical Services "EMS" Levy which expires this year. Medical emergencies make up 60% of the total calls the Fire Department responds to. With rising costs for medical training and supplies, the expiring levy no longer covers these expenses. Based on actual costs of providing emergency medical service, an increase of 14 cents per thousand dollars of assessed property valuation is essential. This will continue to provide the level of service the citizens of Buckley expect and deserve.

A yes vote for this replacement levy will maintain the quality emergency medical service and quick response time which our Fire Department volunteers deliver today. An average household will pay an additional \$20 per year.

Ask anyone who has dialed "911" for a family member if it's worth it. Then ask yourself if supporting this EMS levy is worth knowing that well trained and well equipped personnel are going to respond when you or your family have a medical emergency.

Your yes vote is critical in maintaining the emergency medical service of the Buckley Volunteer Fire Department. Please support this important service with a "Yes Vote".

Submitted by: Jane Hansen, Al Long & Meagan Rhoades

Statement Against:

**No statement was submitted
against this issue.**

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CITY OF ORTING

Proposition No. 1
Submitted by the City of Orting
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PROPERTY TAX LEVY

Ballot Title: Shall the City of Orting be authorized to impose regular emergency medical services property tax levies of twenty five cents or less per thousand dollars of assessed valuation for each of six consecutive years?

Explanatory Statement: In 1992, the electors of the City of Orting approved a six-year property tax levy of \$.25 per \$1,000 assessed value for emergency medical service (EMS) purposes beginning in 1993. This property tax levy, if approved by the voters, will continue the present EMS levy for a six-year period.

Funds raised by this EMS Levy will continue to pay the cost of assuring basic emergency medical services; provide readiness of emergency medical responses; and meet emergency medical needs arising from the community's increasing growth and demands. The funds will allow upgrading of emergency medical equipment, facilities, education and training and provide the means to meet inflationary increases in the cost of supplies, repairs and maintenance.

Statement For:

The Councilmembers for the City of Orting are asking the voters to approve an emergency medical service (EMS) levy of \$.25 per \$1,000 assessed valuation of regular property taxes. This is *Not a New* Emergency Medical Service Levy, but a continuation of an existing levy that will expire at the end of this year. The Orting City Council is asking for you to approve another six years of our existing EMS levy. In the past six-year the City has purchased capital equipment (a new medical aid vehicle, a heart defibrillator, and rescue equipment), the cost of training and education of 24 volunteer Emergency Medical Technicians, a volunteer Paramedic, and 9 First Responders, plus maintaining a volunteer Advanced Life Support program. Over 70% of the Fire Department's alarms are emergency medical related and we do not charge anyone for services. **This is not a new tax.** Your yes vote simply reaffirms your support for another six-years of an existing levy. Funds raised by this levy will help pay the continuing cost of providing emergency medical services. For a \$100,000 home, this levy will cost you \$25.00 per year. We depend on your support to this vital emergency service. Please vote "Yes".
Thank you.

Statement Prepared by: Scott Fielding

Statement Against:

No statement was submitted against this issue.

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CITY OF PUYALLUP

Proposition No. 1
Submitted by the City of Puyallup
REGULAR PROPERTY TAX LEVY FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE

Ballot Title: Shall the City of Puyallup be authorized to impose regular property tax levies of fifty cents (\$.50) per thousand dollars (\$1,000) of assessed valuation for each of six (6) consecutive years to continue to provide basic emergency medical services including enhanced paramedic and critical transport services commencing in levy year 1998 for first collection in 1999?

Explanatory Statement: In 1992, the electors of the City of Puyallup approved a six-year property tax levy of \$.50 (fifty cents) per \$1,000 of assessed valuation for emergency medical service (EMS) purposes beginning in 1993 and continuing through 1998. The Puyallup City Council has passed a resolution requesting an election to authorize a levy of property tax in an amount not to exceed \$.50 (fifty cents) per \$1,000 of assessed valuation, each year for six (6) consecutive years beginning in 1999. This property tax levy, if approved by the voters, will continue the present EMS levy and therefore is not an increase in the levy rate approved in 1992. This particular property tax levy is required in order to continue to provide basic emergency medical services to the community, including personnel costs, training for such personnel, and related equipment, supplies, and vehicles, enhanced paramedic and critical transport services.

Statement For:

The City of Puyallup Fire Department is asking the voters of Puyallup to approve an Emergency Medical Services Levy of \$.50 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation. This is not a new tax, but rather a continuation of the existing Emergency Medical Services Levy that expires at the end of this year. The cost of this Levy for a \$100,000 home is \$50 per year. The Puyallup Fire Department uses the EMS Levy to fund the Paramedic Unit stationed on Pioneer, and the Paramedic Engine on Shaw Road. Funds from the levy also pay for Emergency Medical Technicians, automatic defibrillators, and emergency aid equipment on all Puyallup Fire Department apparatus. Initial and continuing education, and specialized extrication / rescue equipment are also funded by the Levy. In addition the Puyallup Fire Department Paramedic unit will be able to transport critical patients to the hospital. We all recently saw the near disaster in King Co. when voters failed to pass the EMS Levy there. Don't let that same thing happen in Puyallup. We urge you to support the Puyallup Fire Department and **Vote Yes EMS.**

Submitted by: Mike Keohi, Doug Willis & Diana Morrison

Statement Against:

**No statement was submitted
against this issue.**

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FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 2

Lakewood

Proposition No. 1

Submitted by Pierce County Fire Protection District No. 2

LEVY OF GENERAL TAX — \$2,280,000 FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION

Ballot Title: Shall the district levy a tax upon its taxable property, in excess of state limitations upon regular levies, of approximately \$.79 per \$1,000.00 of true and assessed valuation, to provide \$2,280,000 to be levied in 1998, collected in 1999, and used for maintenance and operations to maintain the current level of fire services and emergency medical services as provided in Resolution No. 072098-807?

Explanatory Statement: Lakewood Fire Department is requesting renewal of the maintenance and operation levy for one year. The department and the voters have found it necessary to supplement the regular tax levy since 1974. In 1939, the legislature established fire districts to serve rural areas; the tax levy was intended to fund a rural level of service, rather than urban areas like Lakewood. The regular levy is inadequate to provide fire and emergency medical service to more than 65,000 people, a hospital, two colleges, a major state mental institution, and a regional shopping mall.

This special levy pays for about 25% of the department's budget. It will cost 79 cents per thousand dollars of assessed value. The money will be used to maintain services to the community.

Lakewood Fire Department is a fully paid department providing advanced fire suppression, fire prevention and emergency medical services to all areas throughout Lakewood. Currently, the Fire District also provides fire prevention and education, fire marshal and Fire Code enforcement services to Lakewood. The regular tax levy is insufficient to maintain this high level of service. Traditionally Lakewood Fire Department has enjoyed widespread citizen support for a maintenance and operation levy.

Statement For:

Lakewood is Washington's seventh largest city. It is served by a "state of the art" fire department, which is funded by an antiquated system designed for rural fire districts. For this reason, every year since 1974, the district has had to rely on "voter approved" special levy money to provide the necessary supplemental funding for maintenance and operations. In 1999 the special levy, if approved, will fund approximately 30% of the fire district's annual budget. This is not a new tax.

The Board of Fire Commissioners of the Lakewood Fire Department is keenly aware of the concerns for rising costs. In partnership with department staff they have worked diligently to provide the expected level of service while avoiding unnecessary cost increases. On a cost per capita basis, Lakewood measures up well against other urban fire departments. The City of Tacoma's annual cost per capita for the fire department is \$176 while the City of Puyallup is \$172. Lakewood's cost per capita is \$144.

The cost of this levy to the individual taxpayer is approximately \$.79 per \$1000 of assessed value.

We need your support. Vote Yes and Keep Help Coming!

Submitted by: Jack Asby, Carol Dick & Layne Bladow

Statement Against:

No statement was submitted against this issue.

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FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 11

North Puyallup

Proposition No. 1

Submitted by Pierce County Fire Protection District No. 11

REGULAR PROPERTY TAX LEVY FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE

Ballot Title: Shall Fire Protection District No. 11 be authorized to impose regular property tax levies of \$.50/\$1,000 of assessed valuation for each of six consecutive years for emergency medical care?

Explanatory Statement: The Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire Protection District No. 11 have passed a resolution requesting an election to authorize a property tax levy in an amount not to exceed fifty cents per \$1,000 of assessed valuation, each year for six (6) consecutive years. This particular property tax levy would only be for the provision of emergency medical services. It would provide funds necessary to obtain, operate and maintain emergency medical aid vehicles and facilities manned by properly trained emergency medical technicians. The funds would also be used to obtain medical supplies and to equip vehicles and facilities. This EMS levy would be in addition to the District's regular levy for maintenance and operation costs, and the funds raised by such levy can only be used for the provision of emergency medical services. The funds raised would be used for personnel, training, equipment, supplies, vehicles and facilities needed for emergency medical services. Annually, the Commissioners would establish the amount of the levy, which may be less than, but may not exceed fifty cents per \$1,000 of assessed value.

Statement For:

The renewal of the Emergency Medical Services Levy is essential to ensure quick, efficient delivery of basic life support and will maintain and help increase the quality of emergency medical services provided to the community. All services provided by the fire department are at no additional cost to residents. The cost to an average tax payer to ensure continuation of emergency medical services would only be \$75.00 a year or about \$.20 per day.* Your vote in favor of renewal of the six year EMS Levy will ensure continuation of the excellent and affordable service currently provided. The renewal is essential to maintaining and continuing our high level of training and service in the emergency medical field. This in turn benefits our citizens in their times of need.

*Assumes home valued at \$150,000.00.

Submitted by: Joe L. Cole, Sr., Robert N. Kline & David Kimball

Statement Against:

No statement was submitted against this issue.

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FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 17

Harts Lake, Lacamas, McKenna & Roy

Proposition No. 1

Submitted by Pierce County Fire Protection District No. 17 EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES PROPERTY TAX

Ballot Title: Shall Pierce County Fire Protection District #17 be authorized to continue to impose regular property tax levies of 25 cents or less per thousand dollars of assessed valuation for each of six consecutive years for Emergency Medical Services?

Explanatory Statement: The Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire Protection District No. 17 have passed a resolution requesting an election to authorize a levy of a property tax in an amount not to exceed twenty-five cents per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation, each year for six (6) consecutive years. This particular property tax levy would only be for the provision of emergency medical services. It would provide funds necessary to obtain, operate and maintain emergency medical aid vehicles and facilities manned by properly trained emergency medical technicians and other medically trained personnel. The funds would also be used to obtain medical supplies and appliances to equip such vehicles and facilities. This EMS levy would be in addition to the regular levy for maintenance and operation costs, and the funds raised by such levy can only be used for the provision of emergency medical care and emergency medical services.

The funds so raised would be used for personnel, training, equipment, supplies, vehicles and other facilities needed for emergency medical services. Annually, the Commissioners would establish the amount of the levy, which may be less than, but may not exceed, twenty-five cents per \$1,000.00 of assessed value.

Statement For:

Support

The Emergency Medical Services, EMS, Levy at **25 cents** has already been approved by the voters in 1992, but it needs to be renewed like a magazine subscription.

What you get

This Levy pays for operation & maintenance of EMS vehicles, training, personnel and supplies that include everything from Band-Aids to Automatic Defibrillators that restart someone's heart.

How much: 25 cents

In 1992 this levy was **25 cents**. To renew the Levy, it is still **25 cents**. Is saving a life worth **25 cents**?

Why

In 1992 PCFD #17 had 450 calls, 1998 totals are expected to exceed 830 calls.

In 1997 the volunteers of PCFD #17 responded to approx. 730 emergency calls of which approx. 500, or 70%, were EMS. The Fire Dept. heavily relies on this Levy of **25 cents** to maintain its ability to respond to these calls with adequate supplies and trained personnel heavily relies on this Levy of **25 cents**.

So we ask again: Is saving a life worth **25 cents**?

Please support the EMS Levy by voting **yes** on Tues. Sept. 15, 1998.

Submitted by: James C. Brayton, Alan Simmons & Wally Marlow

Statement Against:

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FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT No. 23

Ashford

Proposition No. 1

Submitted by Pierce County Fire Protection District No. 23 (Pierce 23 Fire and Rescue) REGULAR PROPERTY TAX LEVY FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Ballot Title: Shall Pierce 23 Fire and Rescue be authorized to levy, beginning in 1998, a regular property tax of \$.35 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation to be collected for each of six (6) consecutive years for emergency medical care, beginning with 1999?

Explanatory Statement: The Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire Protection District No. 23 has passed a resolution requesting an election to authorize a levy of a property tax in an amount not to exceed thirty-five cents per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation, each year for six (6) consecutive years. This particular property tax levy would only be for the provision of emergency medical services. It would provide funds necessary to obtain, operate and maintain emergency medical aid vehicles and facilities manned by properly trained emergency medical technicians and other medically trained personnel. The funds would also be used to obtain medical supplies and appliances to equip such vehicles and facilities. This EMS levy would be in addition to the regular levy for maintenance and operation costs, and the funds raised by such levy can only be used for the provision of emergency medical care and emergency medical services.

The funds so raised would be used for personnel, training, equipment, supplies, vehicles and other facilities needed for emergency medical services. Annually, the Commissioners would establish the amount of the levy, which may be less than, but may not exceed, thirty-five cents per \$1,000.00 of assessed value. The proposed ten cents increase in the EMS levy, above the 1993-1998 levy of twenty-five cents per \$1,000, is necessitated by increased operating costs and is necessary to make EMS self-supporting.

Statement For:

Pierce 23 Fire and Rescue is asking voters to continue providing the same level of emergency medical services that have been offered for the past 18 years. Six years ago, voters approved a six-year, 25-cents per \$1,000 assessed valuation Emergency Medical Services levy to be used solely for emergency medical services. The current levy will end at the conclusion of 1998, and in order to keep the levy revenue from ending, Pierce 23 Fire and rescue commissioners are sending a replacement levy to the polls this September. This levy will go into effect in 1999.

The present levy request is at 35 cents per \$1,000 assessed valuation – a 10 cent increase. While the levy rate has remained at 25 cents per \$1,000 for the past 18 years, the district's costs have steadily risen. Costs for medical supplies, costs to train Emergency Medical Technicians, costs for equipment have all gone up dramatically since 1980. These costs are reaching the point where keeping the EMS services in the black is becoming increasingly difficult.

The important thing to remember is this is only an additional 10 cents on top of the 25 cents that taxpayers have been paying for 18 years already. The commissioners and the EMT's ask you to please fund this levy, so the local fire and aid district can continue to provide the same level of services the district is used to.

Submitted by: Rick Adams, John Chappell & Evan Kast

Statement Against:

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