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**PRIMARY ELECTION**

## 2016 Primary Voters' Guide

U.S. Senator United States

6-year term Statewide



**Philip L. Cornell**  
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** I have been involved in several political campaigns in the last few years in an effort to advocate for my community. A mayoral race, A county commissioner race and a children's safety advocacy ballot issue. I ran for PCO in 2014 (lost 95-35). All the while I have grown increasingly passionate about applying my own experience protecting the working and middle classes to the national scale during a time of heightened capitalist oppression.

**Other Professional Experience:** No information submitted

**Education:** No information submitted

**Community Service:** I am currently Vice President of the Southwest Olympia Neighborhood Association.

**Statement:** America has been caught in a torrent of corporate power for too long. Our democracy is endangered when politics become more influenced by big money than by the plights of the people. The middle and working classes deserve fair treatment from our government, especially when it comes to protecting vital American service and labor jobs from offshoring.

Public office should be the pinnacle of public *service*—if I am elected, it will be.

Born in Boston, Massachusetts, I grew up with a particular appreciation for democracy's ability to empower everyday men and women to fight for what's right. During my service in the U.S. Air Force (1966-1970), I moved to Washington State—where I met my wife and together we raised our son. When I entered the civilian workforce, I witnessed instances of poor working conditions, contract violations and management abuse. These issues stuck with me, eventually leading me to serve as a local union steward of Communications Workers of America to uphold the rights of workers. I was a member of the executive board, treasurer, and chairman of the steward education committee. This experience showed me the necessity and the power of making every voice feel heard.

As your Senator, I will demand *fair* trade over free trade agreements like TPP to protect the American job market and economy. I will also lobby for tuition-free college education and universal access to Medicare, among other key progressive measures. Most importantly, each detail of my platform is centered on *your* opinions, needs and past subjections to injustice. That's why I'm leading an insurgent political campaign, supported entirely by individual supporters instead of corporations. I believe that it's time to take the big money back out of politics and remember the masses. I run for you, America.

I listen to you.

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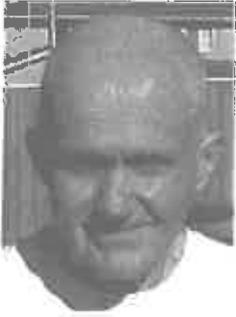
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**Sam Wright**  
(Prefers The Human Rights Party)

**Elected Experience:** None

**Other Professional Experience:** Fisheries Research Scientist with five decades of experience managing fish populations and fish habitats.

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

**Community Service:** Served two years in the U.S. Army Infantry. Founded The Human Rights Party in 2012 to give candidates and individual voters a new alternative that may be more in line with their personal beliefs and convictions.

**Statement:** To ensure life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, both health care and education must be recognized as basic human rights for all Americans. The only cost effective way to provide universal health care is by providing a single national insurance program, including removal of the responsibility from both employers and employees (private and public sectors, including education). Exclusion of private insurance and advertising companies (and the IRS) from health care would save the American people trillions of dollars in unnecessary costs during the 21st century. Severing the current mandatory linkage between health care insurance and employment would create a major new and sustainable stimulus for job creation and growth of the American economy. For education, we need to recognize the essential role of post-secondary training as part of our definition of basic education. Tuition fees in state college systems must be drastically reduced or eliminated. The only tax policy change needed would be to begin taxing capital gains at the same percentage rates as earned or ordinary income.

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**Chris Vance**  
(Prefers Republican Party)

**Elected Experience:** Elected twice to the Washington State House of Representatives, and twice to the Metropolitan King County Council

**Other Professional Experience:** Currently: Adjunct professor, University of Washington. Public affairs consultant and small business owner. Special Assistant, Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction

**Education:** Bachelor of Arts, Political Science, Western Washington University

**Community Service:** Chris and Ann Vance are regular volunteers with *Reach Out Federal Way*, a program to serve the homeless in South King County. Chris coached youth sports for many years and is the past President of the Auburn Youth Soccer Association.

**Statement:** I'm running for the Senate because, probably like you, I'm fed up. I'm fed up with the gridlock in Congress and the politicians in both parties who won't tell the American people the truth about the challenges we face.

The truth is, the gap between rich and poor is widening because our economy is not producing enough good middle class jobs. We are over \$19 trillion in debt, and Social Security and Medicare are on the road to insolvency. There are solutions to these problems but Republicans and Democrats refuse to compromise and work together.

To address our debt crisis I support a bipartisan plan that includes limits on discretionary spending, structural changes that will strengthen Social Security and Medicare, and pro-growth tax reform. These steps would create jobs and reduce our debt.

To keep the peace I will always vote to keep America's defenses strong. We must do whatever it takes to protect our homeland from terrorism, and the United States must lead the fight to destroy ISIS in Syria and Iraq and deny them the territory they need to recruit and train followers. The Iran nuclear deal was a dangerous and destabilizing mistake.

It's time for a big change, and that will never happen as long as we keep sending the same people to Washington, D.C. year after year. I believe with new leadership we can bring Republicans and Democrats together to solve America's problems. I would appreciate your vote.

*Chris Vance and his wife, Ann, have been married for 28 years. They have two children: Adam, age 24, a recent graduate of the University of Washington, and Natalie, age 20, a sophomore at Washington State University. The Vances live in Auburn.*

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### **Uncle Mover**

(Prefers Republican Party)

**Elected Experience:** None.

**Other Professional Experience:** Lobbyist on transportation issues 1987-1998/Olympia -Washington D.C. / Federal Witness: Ohio - West Virginia: 1994-2000.

**Education:** Some College /Attorney Pro-Se-1988 - Present.

**Community Service:** At large Transportation Watch Dog. Advocate for funding for Drug addiction - Homelessness.

**Statement:** My current persona might suggest that we may be related. Well, in a way we are. We're all Washington State citizens whether you lean right, left, or somewhere in the middle. As a matter of fact we all desire the same end result, "a better quality of life".

Unfortunately, we don't always behave like that. If you look in the newspapers, you will notice the obituaries of those that have recently passed. Next, read the 'public notice' section. Astonishing enough, there are more people filing for 'divorce' than those who have died.

So, who are we really? Society as we know it has become a cauldron of 'throw away' relationships, that suggests that we are a country at war, with ourselves.

If you have children, the impact to their lives is a factor this country will one day inherit. A generation of broken marriages, displaced family values, misguided judgement, of whose parents rely on dating services in hope of finding someone new.

Frankly, it's a problem Congress cannot repair. If you have children, please think twice before filing for divorce. Meanwhile, I will do my best to be the Uncle those kids may never have.

Also, I'd like to thank my parents for 'sticking it out' while raising twelve of us. It wasn't easy by any means. My father loaned me the filing fee in my first attempt at public office in 1988. Ten years later, I took my mother to Washington D.C. for a tour of the White House. Some things you just don't forget.

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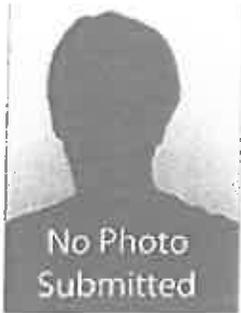
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**Zach Haller**  
(Prefers Independent Party)

**Elected Experience:** No information submitted

**Other Professional Experience:** No information submitted

**Education:** No information submitted

**Community Service:** No information submitted

**Statement:** No information submitted

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**Donna Rae Lands**  
(Prefers Conservative Party)

**Elected Experience:** None

**Other Professional Experience:** Independent Business owner since 1991 Washington State Realtor from 1997-2006 Wife, mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, friend, and neighbor. Cloud walker on the internet before the cloud came to be. Feisty neighbor to my local, county and state governmental officials when they wanted their Sewage Treatment Facility, next door and uphill from my humble abode

**Education:** Edison, Bemiss, Shaw, Rodgers and NC in Spokane-HS Diploma 1969-1979 Spokane Community College- AAS- Electrical Engineering Technolgy 1985-1988 (3 year degree) Life 1961-Present

**Community Service:** Planting seeds of wisdom with whom I meet.

**Statement:** Dear Voter and neighbor:

It is on my bucket list to try to make a difference in any way I can. I saved my babysitting money to get my name on the ballot because my hubby said I could spend it anyway I wanted too. I chose to spend it this way. I promised my son and grandson I would do this.

I have studied the federal government and our country. I have good news, and bad news. The good news is we are a strong nation with a great foundation. We have great bones... The bad news is our country has gone from being independent to being dependent upon the chains we revere. In doing so... we as a people are forced to accept the things that are against our Liberties of Conscience. Our Federal Government wants us as good moms and good dads to close our eyes to the ailments that afflict our country and its citizens. Our government wants us divided- Our government created the crevasses that have deepened and widened.

My experience with my government has been fighting against them when they wanted their Sewage Treatment Facility next door and uphill from my humble abode. I do not know any special interest groups or any lobbyist groups... I am the outsider of outsiders. I believe if I can move one sewer at the state level- I can move another sewer at the Federal Level.

I pray you make a difference in your life along the way and find your true peace and destiny. For land's sake, please consider me your true Lady.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Always DRL

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**Mohammad Said**  
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** Precinct Committee for Grant County. State Delegate-Democratic Convention. National Platform Committee 1988. Former Vice Chair-Democratic Central Committee for Grant County. Committeeman-Washington State Democratic Central Committee 2016.

**Other Professional Experience:** Expert in healthcare, holding one of the highest medical degrees in the US. Expert of US-Arab/Muslim relations. See Facebook & Website.

**Education:** M.D. with honors, PhD with honors, MPH, Specialist in Internal Medicine, Family Practice, Geriatrics, Preventive & Alternative Medicine, Former Asst. Clinical Professor at VA in Fargo, ND

**Community Service:** Volunteer for over 12 years at Washington State correction facilities and others of local, county, and state.

**Statement:** In 1992 as co-founder, I attended Rainbow Coalition in Seattle with my intention to run for U.S. Senate at the same time State Senator Patty Murray came for endorsement. They convinced me to withdraw my name on her behalf, and I agreed. For extensive review of my political activism and background, see my Facebook Dr.Mohammad Said and website drsaid.net.

As a Democrat, I am leading a movement I established in 2012 with the name of American Centrist Movement. Senator Bernie Sanders, if not the Democratic nominee, will lead a progressive movement.

On social issues, I am pro-life, pro-family, and pro-traditional marriage between a man and a woman.

On foreign policy, I advocate resolving Palestinian-Israeli conflict by establishing a democratic, non-religious state in Historic Palestine, where Jews, Muslims, and Christians can live together with equal rights under a constitution similar to the U.S. This was adopted four times by the Grant County Democratic Convention, including 2016. Also adopted in 2016 include containing extremism in the Middle East and supporting the nuclear agreement with Iran, which should include Israel.

On healthcare, I advocate expanding Medicare to include the young up to 25, universal healthcare for the basic as one single payer, reforming Welfare to eliminate abuse, and reforming the Department of Health - especially the Medical Quality Assurance Commission, as attorneys are calling the shots, making doctors practice defensive medicine. On immigration, I advocate institution of guest workers program.

I advocate amendments to the Constitution which include reform War Powers Act, direct trade with foreign countries by states, National Guard to be under state control, Second Amendment as privilege and not a right, allow foreign-born Americans to run for president, and U.S. Congress to meet in states by rotation.

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**Eric John Makus**  
(Prefers Republican Party)

**Elected Experience:** No Prior Office.

**Other Professional Experience:** Attorney at Law, Private Practice (2009-Present); Author, Publisher, Business Owner (1987-2009); and, Special Assistant to United States Representative Thomas S. Foley (1983-1984).

**Education:** Whitman College, BA, Political Science, 1984; University of Southern California, MPL, (Master of Planning) concentrating in Public/Private Enterprises, 1987; University of Washington, Certificate, Intellectual Property Management, 2003; and, Newport High School (Bellevue, Washington), Diploma, 1980.

**Community Service:** Volunteer & Spokesperson: Rolling Readers USA and TreePeople.

**Statement:** My Fellow Citizen,

We are one of the 4,088,397 registered voters in Washington today. With our votes, we hold the power to control our government. Our Constitutional rights make us citizens of the United States of America. I am a proud American. I want to make us all proud Americans.

By casting your ballot, you are exercising your authority for which so many brave Americans before us have made the ultimate sacrifice. Salute our members of national service. Cast your ballot with pride and conviction. It is my privilege to be your candidate for United States Senator.

We are over 7 million strong. We live in 39 counties and possess an abundance of wealth in our people and nature. Our magnificent coast and inland waters in the west, and Grand Coulee Dam, towering over the agricultural riches of the east. Washington may very well be the greatest state in our union.

We face challenges and adversity. Our population is growing and changing rapidly. More and more Americans are making Washington their home. We must address hard public enemies such as drug addiction and mental health, separately from crime. The menaces of racism and intolerance must be confronted with the weapons of kindness, understanding, and acceptance. We must join together to secure our borders and protect our homeland. We must build for the future by constructing a transportation infrastructure that delivers mobility and progress; in air, on land, and at sea. Washington is home to a broad range of business excellence and leadership. I pledge to completely support business.

I earned my way through Whitman College. I became a Washington lawyer without law school. My record is independence. I am beholden only to you. I am prepared to serve you as our next United States Senator. Makus Great Again.

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**Alex Tsimerman**  
(Prefers Standupamerica Party)

**Elected Experience:** None

**Other Professional Experience:** Business, Business consultant and Caregiver for my mother.

**Education:** Graduated from college, graduated from University, degree in Engineering and Management in 1973.

**Community Service:** Won class action in 1997 for housing discrimination, which included HUD. Won a very unique class action in 2015 against DSHS for stealing \$100 million from 50,000 people. Speaking over 850 times in many council chambers, with StandUP-America, about local government corruption to restore our Constitution, right to freedom of speech and our fundamental principle - life liberty and pursuit of happiness. You can see Mr. Tsimerman speak in council chambers every day! President of StandUP-America.us

**Statement:** Are we better now than four years ago? Stop fascism with idiotic face.

StandUPAmerica for Donald Trump and Alex Tsimerman so we can bring America back on track and to common sense – Of, By and For the people. We need to stop Seattle emerald nitwit; a new evil, a new USSR (United Seattle Soviet Republic), a democrat, progressive, liberal, socialist who brought the State to total collapse and pure fascism. Mr. Tsimerman believes we need to steer our government away from special interests and introducing policies that will put money in people's pockets, restore love of country and raise our status in the world.

Our country has been poorly served by the political class, corporation and establishment who value their self-interest over the interests of the United States and its citizens. We need end the corrupting influence of special interests once and for all. Ordinary Americans have lost all power - whether it be economic, political, media or legal.

Mr. Tsimerman thinks tax burden inhibits economic growth and takes too much from hard working Americans. We must reduce the burden by lowering rates, eliminating loopholes, and simplifying the tax code. We must pay particular attention to fixing our corporate tax structure so capital and jobs will come back to America.

Mr. Tsimerman believes Democrats and Republicans destroyed jobs in America. We will make college affordable and make sure we fix our healthcare system. With the money we have in the system, all Americans can feel comfortable.

We need to fix our traffic problem and open HOV lanes to Disabled citizens, Senior citizens and Veterans. We need election financial reform, make everyone equal under Constitution and law, establish citizen court to monitor and evaluate elected officials and limit every elected officials to two terms to stop the "iron cycle" of corruption.

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**Dr Pano Churchill**  
(Prefers Lincoln Caucus Party)

**Elected Experience:** Non-Politician

**Other Professional Experience:** CEO -- WellHeart, Seattle Wireless and numerous other Mature Companies, & StartUps. Entrepreneur. Leader. Innovator. Angel Investor. Educator. Author. Philanthropist. Job Creator, having started tons of Tech & Science companies by bringing people together to collaborate, solve difficult problems & get things done, we create valuable wealthy jobs.

**Education:** University of Washington - Pol.Sci.&Economics BA 1989. Oxford Environmental University - Cybernetics, Earth Science, & Public Health PHD 2003, 2007.

**Community Service:** Chairman Environmental Parliament 1991-2016. Worked on United Nations Climate Change COPprocess & the Paris Accord. People's Health International, Churchill Society, A4ID, WWF, various charities & philanthropies.

**Statement:** I invite you to vote for me. If you're tired of the mess in Congress, tired of corrupt partisan politics, I ask you to support my candidacy for the US Senate. Stand up and say proudly that this country, and our government, belong to all of us; and not just to the crony government squatters, the bureaucrats, and the wealthy lobbyists & campaign contributors.

We need to claim back our country from the DC insiders, from the narrow minded establishment, & from the stale political parties. This is our country and we aim to upset the apple-cart of those vested interests who think they own it.

We must take control of our Republic because we need to innovate and better our Democracy - same as we do in our own work, our family, our business, our community, and in our own life.

We need an economy, a budget, a tax code, a health care system, and a system of justice that works for all Americans. We need to refresh our American Revolution demanding that government represents us all, not just the politically connected. We need a bigger economic pie where more Washingtonians have a bigger piece. We need strong American leadership, not just wars and retreat.

Given the serious crises this country faces, we cannot expect the career politicians who created the problems, to solve them. Instead, I will take on big bureaucracy, big government, big banks, big unions, and big businesses, because am not tied-up to lobbyists and special interests. We don't need a permanent political class that thinks it's entitled to rule over us. We need citizen leaders who'll put principle and people, before party.

And as Lincoln said: "If we stand together, there is nothing we cannot accomplish." It's time to Reboot Washington. God Bless America.

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**Patty Murray**  
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** Shoreline School Board, State Senator, United States Senator

**Other Professional Experience:** Shoreline Community College Cooperative Preschool Teacher

**Education:** Graduate, Washington State University

**Community Service:** No information submitted

**Statement:** Our country isn't working for people the way it should be. And most days, Congress does very little to confront the challenges we face.

Despite the obstacles, I work hard to break through the gridlock and dysfunction and move us toward a country and state that works for all families, not just the wealthiest few.

I know you want a Senator committed to getting results. That's why, after the Tea Party shut down the government in 2013, I led bipartisan negotiations to reopen the government and restore important investments in education, jobs, and other local priorities. After I heard from parents and teachers that No Child Left Behind wasn't working for our students, I wrote a bill to finally fix this broken law, help end the reliance on overtesting, and put our students first. My bipartisan bill was signed into law, and NCLB is finally ending.

I am running for reelection because there is so much more Congress should be doing to help workers, veterans, families, and the economy—and I want to keep up the fight and make sure Washington state families have a strong voice at the table who will stand up for their values and priorities.

I am running to keep fighting to create jobs and grow the economy in a way that actually helps local families. Instead of tax cuts for the rich, I think we should give tax cuts to working families and invest in college affordability, student loan debt reduction, affordable childcare, increasing the minimum wage, helping veterans transition to the workforce—and more. And I'm going to keep fighting back against those who would hurt our workers, turn back the clock on women's health, and divide our country.

I ask for your vote to keep fighting for you and all Washington state families.

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**Ted Cummings**  
(Prefers Independent Party)

**Elected Experience:** None

**Other Professional Experience:** Clerical and Technical Unit Chairman USW local 338, Co-owner of Pell Creek Land and Livestock in Chattaroy WA. Past President of the Inland Empire Arabian Horse Club, Potroom Supervisor at Alcoa Massena West and Massena East Aluminum smelters. Team Process Leader Northwest Alloys. Physical Testing Lab Technician Kaiser Aluminum.

**Education:** Gonzaga Prep High School 1979. Graduate Spokane Community College 1997 Associate of Arts degree.

**Community Service:** One gallon donor Inland Northwest Blood Center.

**Statement:** I was born and raised in Spokane Washington; I have been married to my wife Denise for thirtyfour years and have two grown sons. I am a member of the United Steelworkers and work in an aluminum rolling mill. We live on a small ranch north of Spokane where we raise horses and cattle.

I grew up in a middle class family in a nice neighborhood, attended great schools staffed with devoted teachers. I have been blessed with good health, some intelligence and an abundance of common sense. I have been fortunate to have been employed in jobs that I have enjoyed and learned from my whole life. I have had the opportunity to travel, own a home and live the American dream. I have never been hungry, lacked medical care and there has never been a day while I have been alive that I wasn't fully aware that someone loved and valued me. I share this because while I have been given so much there are so many Americans that have had a completely different experience in life.

I want to take a leadership role in the discussions on creating and growing good paying jobs, repairing our infrastructure and reducing national debt. I want to see proper care and respect for our veterans and the elderly. I will work to stop the poor and the middle class from being victimized by big banks and Wall Street by ending economic inequality. I will work diligently to return the trust of the American people in their government.

We have seen what the two party system has done over the last few decades; it's time for real change. I am endorsed by USW local 338 and have a recommendation from the Spokane, Kitsap and Yakima AFL-CIO Central labor councils.

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**Thor Amundson**  
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** None.

**Other Professional Experience:** Carpenter on state and federal betterment projects. A unique project Mr. Amundson has been involved in is as a domestic carpenter, building furniture out of recycled materials to better the environment.

**Education:** Graduated in 1979 from Eisenhower High School in Yakima, Washington.

**Community Service:** None.

**Statement:** Hi, I'm Thor Amundson, native son, born and raised in Eastern Washington. I've lived and worked throughout the state, and this has given me the opportunity to talk with people in all walks of life, and to consider the variety of issues facing them. I see my primary duty as Senator as being on the ultimate betterment project for our state and country. I believe that without a little more opportunity for the next generation, we cannot have a healthy civilization.

Picture a state and a nation where your children will be able to afford to live. A land without discrimination, and where the working person receives their just reward. A place where worker's rights are protected; where innovative, effective leadership inspires; and where elected officials are chosen by the people, not by their financial contributors.

Rather than propose campaign reform, I'm going to implement it. I am not an attorney, and I am not a politician. Therefore, there will be no question about who I am working for. I will accept no PAC money whatsoever in my bid for US. Senate. I will lead Washington into the 21st century. Only your vote for Thor Amundson, for U.S. Senate, is required to make this possible.

True leadership is an extension of the will of the people. With my mandate from you, the voters, I will express that will. As the first Senator not financed by PAC money, and hailing from one of the best states in the Union, I will stir the very dredges of the old guard in Washington D.C., and at the same time provide inspiration to anyone else who truly cares about the future of our great Nation. Please vote for Thor Amundson, U.S. Senate.

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**Scott Nazarino**  
(Prefers Republican Party)

**Elected Experience:** I have been an elected PCO.

**Other Professional Experience:** I have been in the Financial Services industry for 24 years. I had been in the Securities Industry for almost 15 of those years. I deeply understand the markets and the oil and gas industry. I have served on a non-profit board before.

**Education:** Diploma, Liberty High School, Renton, WA 1983. A.A., Bellevue College, Bellevue, WA 1985. B.A., Northwest University, Kirkland, WA 1990. LUTCF, Life Underwriter Training Council, Bethesda, MD 1995.

**Community Service:** I had been involved in the City of Sammamish and have publicly stood up for various issues.

**Statement:** I officially declared my candidacy for the United States Senate on January 21st in front of the United States Courthouse in Seattle.

Public officials were established to represent us. We are a free country that is self-governed. The best way to maintain our freedom is to elect good, fair and honest people to represent us.

I have been in the Financial Services industry for 24 years. Some of my specialties are retirement and estate planning. Being a small business owner in the Financial Services industry has taught me how to understand our economy at an in-depth level. I am also licensed through the State of Washington to offer Health Insurance policies. My experience applies to some of our most critical issues, like Health Care, Social Security, Medicare, Retirement Savings, etc.

I am very passionate about serving and caring for people. I can relate to people of all economic standings and backgrounds. I have relationships with people at all levels in our society. Even though I am running as a Republican I will always endeavor to put the people before my party. The party leadership understands my position on this issue too.

I ran for the Sammamish City Council in 2007 and have stood up for numerous issues since then.

I promise that I will do all I can to serve you. I want to reach all people. I would like Democrats, Independents and all people of any persuasion to please consider voting for me. I figure that when we put people first we all win. I was born in Seattle and have lived in Washington my entire life. I have 3 children. My daughter is 18 and my identical twin boys are 16. My campaign slogan is "A Better Washington for All".

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**Mike Luke**

(Prefers Libertarian Party)

**Elected Experience:** I have run for office locally and worked on various campaigns throughout Snohomish county.

**Other Professional Experience:** A Washington state business owner from 2002 to 2014 in the Edmonds area.

**Education:** An associates degree from Edmonds community college in 1996.

**Community Service:** I was previously elected to the position of legislative district chair of the 32nd LD Republicans and an elected member of the Snohomish county Republican party executive board from 2012 to 2014, additionally an elected Precinct Committee Officer since 2008. I left the Republican party in January 2016 to become a member of the Libertarian party.

**Statement:** The world is far from perfect and I acknowledge that. It can be better, not through increasing and micromanaging government but by reducing the presence of government in our lives. Each election like this we are so often limited to only 2 choices from the major political parties, resulting in either settling for the lesser of two evils or having no choice at all? The voter, our state and nation deserve better choices.

I am open to individual trade agreements with individual nations provided it enriches our nation and we can withdraw anytime. I am against agreements like the TPP as it robs our nation of jobs to enrich foreign interests. We have lost so many jobs overseas for no good reason and our economy has suffered too long.

The current US foreign policy does not keep us safe. It creates danger to our people while putting future generations in unsustainable debt which has weakened our economic security. But the highest cost is on us as a people. Look what we have allowed to be done to our loyal soldiers? While we have allowed the government to indebt us to engage in unnecessary and never ending war, look at the blood that has been shed and the injuries that our soldiers and their families have suffered over the last 15 years.

There is no authorization for the federal government to prohibit Marijuana, this is a matter for the states. Although I believe in an individual's right to consume whatever they desire to, the real transgression against the people is denying them a right to a medical necessity and medical research. Marijuana should be reclassified and this federal prohibition ended.

To see a more complete position on these issues and many others please visit my website: [Luke4senate.com](http://Luke4senate.com)

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## 2016 Primary Voters' Guide

U.S. Senator United States

6-year term Statewide



**Chuck Jackson**  
(Prefers Independent Party)

**Elected experience:** No

**Other Professional Experience:** Worked on an Aircraft Carrier (3 years, 8 months, 5 days), Container Ships, Ferry Boats, Research ships, and Tankers (34 years). Licensed by the United States Coast Guard, For MEBA

**Education:** Minor; School of Hard Knocks, Major; U. of L.

**Community Service:** Yes

**Statement:** I hope you have had enough. Our Kids' Inheritance Has Been Squandered. The national debt has exceeded 19 trillion dollars and interest paid so far is over 11 trillion dollars. Who is going to pay off this debt, surely not the decaying middle class?

The Tyranny of Debt: "An exceedingly burdensome debt has been created (\$19.2 trillion). For the payment of interest it becomes necessary to have recourse to new loans, which do not swallow up but only add to the capital debt. And when this credit is exhausted it becomes necessary by new taxes to cover, not the loan, but Only The Interest On It. These taxes are a debit employed to cover a debit." \$11.2 trillion has already been squandered on interest; *This was a great plan for the banks - lenders but a horrible plan for those having to pay the interest - principle!*

Wall Street and The Hedge Fund High Fliers created this mess, their greed has cost U.S. jobs, repairs to the infrastructure, pensions, medication and inadequate health care for Veterans', One Hedge Fund Gambler gamed the system \$3.4 Billion one year. That's more the 70,000 service personnel are paid a year.

Einstein's definition for insanity was doing the same thing over and over again expecting different results. When the same people are elected over and over again with the same disastrous results it's time to let them go. It is time to replace the incumbent and bring in an independent who is outraged by these numbers and their continual rise. (We are under a Tyranny of Debt.)

This voters Pamphlet allows 300 words, not enough to deal adequately with major problems; more information at website <http://www.scaryreality.com>

It is time to elect Chuck Jackson as Senator; Representing the people of Washington State.

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U.S. Senator United States

6-year term Statewide



**Jeremy Teuton**  
(Prefers System Reboot Party)

**Elected Experience:** Dr. Teuton has never run for elected office before. He is running now because he believes that while our government is not currently functional it is not beyond repair.

**Other Professional Experience:** Staff Scientist, Post-Doctoral Fellow, Doctoral Fellow, Undergraduate Researcher, 1hr photo clerk at Costco, Photographer, Cutco sales associate.

**Education:** University of Washington-Seattle graduated in 2001: B.S. Biology (Cell and Molecular), minor in Chemistry, B.A. Psychology. University of Wisconsin-Madison graduated in 2009:PhD Cellular and Molecular Biology.

**Community Service:** Sustainable transportation and renewable power advocate, husband, father, good neighbor, and concerned citizen.

**Statement:** Dr. Jeremy Teuton is a scientist and lifelong problem solver. He is asking anyone unsatisfied with our current dysfunctional government to vote for actual change. Jeremy has lived and worked in both Eastern and Western Washington and currently lives in Pasco, Washington. He works at the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory and is an alumnus of Cheney High School near Spokane and the University of Washington-Seattle.

Senators are elected representatives and leaders of the people. Representing the people is a high calling; one that the national party system has undermined with the aid of the lobbying industry. It is a crucial responsibility to listen to those you represent, present clear solutions, and act with the people's support. Those responsibilities have fallen prey to polling, private meetings with lobbyists, political strategists, and party leaders instead of working to perform the will of the people.

A candidate that takes money from anyone other than those that can vote for him -including corporations and lobbyists, national political parties, or out-of-state donors- cannot be trusted to truly represent the people. Today, with secure digital communications, there is no justification for senators to spend so much time in D.C. instead of being available to those they should represent.

The Constitution provides a functional government operating system. Many of the aspects crippling the function of our government are not part of that original system. Running purely on issues ignores that until the system functions, no issue -including tax policy, foreign policy, social security and health care- can be resolved.

Dr. Jeremy Teuton brings new solutions and is willing to fight to restore function to government; eliminating "playing politics" from the discussion. He is running to represent all the people of Washington.

The system has not failed, it just needs to be rebooted.

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Governor Washington State

4-year term Statewide



**Goodspaceguy**  
(Prefers Republican Party)

**Elected Experience:** Goodspaceguy was elected to leadership in various fun, social organizations.

**Other Professional Experience:** Benefiting from shared-living, Minnesota-born, amateur economist, investor, and do-it-yourselfer Goodspaceguy has become prosperous.

**Education:** Being university educated in business, economics and other subjects in Germany, Sweden, and America, has given Goodspaceguy a worldview.

**Community Service:** Traveling with our Sun inside our Milky Way Galaxy, amateur astronomer Goodspaceguy thinks of our Earth as our "Spaceship Earth." Former Boy Scout Goodspaceguy tries to improve our Spaceship Earth in simple ways: like picking up litter and helping here and there. Professional amateur Goodspaceguy is a Generalist.

**Statement:** Thank you to my more than 55,000 friends who voted for me, Goodspaceguy, in 2015. In our democracy, we, the people, build our living standard. We should now stop building the poverty-inducing welfare state, and we should resume building our competitive, free market.

How? Stop voting for the big spenders who become the big taxers and growers of enormous, stifling government that leads to high rents and high prices. Instead, vote for the small spenders so that the competitive, free market segment of our economy can profitably grow and hire more producers. Also, study economics, which tells us how to operate our prosperity, movie, and poetry producing free market.

Unemployed people should reclaim the right to sell their own labor at bargain rates. Because the minimum wage prevents some people from getting work, abolish the minimum wage. The minimum wage shrinks our exchange economy, destroys jobs, increases crime, and increases homelessness. The minimum wage is a tool of force of the always-out-of-balance, evil command-economy.

Defend the right of even losers and slackers to enter the work force and raise the living standard by selling their labor at their low market value. Low loser wages will allow even criminals to get legal jobs. We need their help. As losers work, many will learn and improve their skills and earning power. They will help produce more and more goods and services ... thus raising the living standard at lower, but profitable prices. Let's turn losers and criminals and welfare recipients into productive workers. Jobs reduce crime and panhandling. Let's activate the power of the market place to turn losers and criminals into winners in a low cost, low stress, free-parking, Washington State of beautiful sky homes. Let's build a free market Utopia.

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Governor Washington State

4-year term Statewide



**Bill Hirt**

(Prefers Republican Party)

**Elected Experience:** No information submitted.

**Other Professional Experience:** My appreciation of the benefits from public transit was fostered by commuting primarily by bus during my last 15 years at Boeing. After retiring I traveled extensively throughout UK and Europe where I experienced how transit works in London and all the major cities in Europe. Last year I "experienced" subways in New York and Toronto. Unfortunately Sound Transit refuses to recognize the limits imposed on light rail by the Seattle tunnel prevent the Prop 1 extensions from ever having the capacity needed to replicate those transit systems.

**Education:** BS (1961), MS (1962), Engineering, Iowa State University

**Community Service:** No information submitted.

**Statement:** My candidacy is an attempt to emulate the little girl in the Hans Christian Anderson fable telling the villagers the "King has no clothes". That contrary to what the "weavers" (Sound Transit and WSDOT) and the "wise men" (the media, city councils, many legislators, and others) tell the "villagers" (the rest of us) light rail is no "magic carpet". That, unlike BART, the Seattle tunnel limits light rail capacity to the point where none of the Prop 1 extensions will have the capacity needed to significantly reduce the area's congestion.

It's the culmination of an effort that began more than 7 years ago to expose the fantasy in the Sound Transit/WSDOT East Link 2008 DEIS. It's evolved into critiques of all of Sound Transit's Prop 1 light rail extensions and their failure to address the area's congestion problems. The ST3 vote this fall for projects that don't begin until 2023 "suggests" Sound Transit needs the funds for Prop 1 despite claims to the contrary. Rejecting ST3 may force Sound Transit to "reconsider" the extensions. My goal is to convince the "villagers" to do just that.

I urge voters from throughout the state who care about congestion to visit my blog <http://stopeastlinknow.blogspot.com>. Since its inception the more than 300 posts have attracted more than 34,000 page views without a single serious rebuttal. The posts opine not only about the ST/WSDOT "weavers" but the "wise men" who, if not cheering them on, have quietly acquiesced.

They provide details as to why the current Prop 1 extensions won't work and how for a fraction of the time and money BRT could provide public transit that allows far more commuters to leave their cars near where they "live" rather than where they "work", reducing congestion for everyone.

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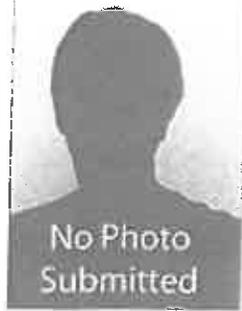
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4-year term Statewide



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**Elected Experience:** None.

**Other Professional Experience:** None

**Education:** Experience as an industrial worker facing grinding economic depression conditions from capitalism's deepening crisis.

**Community Service:** Chair, Washington Socialist Workers Party. Fights for labor solidarity, Black rights, women's equality, and defense of the Cuban Revolution, an example for working people. Organized solidarity for the International Longshore Workers Union locked out by EGT in Longview, backs organizing efforts by farmworkers in Skagit Valley. I grew up in a military family and lived in the Jim Crow south, fighting racist discrimination. I protested U.S. wars in Vietnam, Iraq and Afghanistan. I support a woman's right to choose abortion.

**Statement:** Capitalism is in crisis. The Democratic and Republican Party candidates seek to rescue the bosses from their deepening economic, social, moral crisis. I say working people need to overthrow the dog-eat-dog capitalist system and take political power.

The ruling capitalist families use Washington's economic and military forces to protect their investments and interests abroad. The Socialist Workers Party speaks out against Washington's imperialist wars — from Iraq, Afghanistan to Syria.

The SWP strives to advance class-consciousness and self-confidence of workers as we fight together. We fight within the ranks of labor to transform our unions into effective fighting instruments. We're part of the fight for \$15 and a union; for a government-funded public works program to create jobs and build schools, hospitals, childcare and recreation centers, replace crumbling infrastructure and pipes filled with lead laced water our children drink, and other things working people need; the fight against Puerto Rico's colonial status; for free medical care for all; to fight against deportations of immigrant workers; to defend a women's right to abortion; to demand cops who kill or brutalize working people are prosecuted.

We back the effort to free Dwight and Steven Hammond, Oregon ranchers framed on trumped-up arson charges. We demand the arrest of FBI and Oregon cops who killed Robert LaVoy Finicum, a rancher who occupied the Malheur National Wildlife Refuge to protest the Hammonds imprisonment.

As Malcolm X said, workers "find their self-worth" through these struggles, becoming capable of changing the world. The Cuban Revolution is an example of this for working people. End Washington's economic embargo against Cuba!

Join the fight to overturn the dictatorship of capital, build a new society based on human solidarity and join the worldwide fight for socialism — a life truly worth living.

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**Steve Rubenstein**  
(Prefers Independent Party)

**Elected Experience:** I have not previously run for office.

**Other Professional Experience:** Founded first company in college to develop CRM and later auction software. Sold it in 2001. Cofounded second company in 2000. Like LendingTree, but for business and commercial real-estate loans. Focused on consulting recently to spend time with my children.

**Education:** Graduated from The Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania with dual concentrations in Entrepreneurial Management and Information Systems, 1996.

**Community Service:** Coached startups and nonprofits for competition for socially-oriented companies. Volunteered with Sierra Club for coal export terminal hearings. Six years as President of neighborhood HOA. PTA Dad!

**Statement:** I am running for Governor because I no longer have any faith that the other candidates (or the parties themselves) have both the courage and the heart to truly solve the challenges faced by this State.

Washington has the most regressive tax structure in the nation, which disproportionately hurts low-income residents and causes State revenue to plummet during a recession. Education and mental health are woefully underfunded. The current education funding method creates significant differences in school quality, leading to continued income disparity. Neither candidate has a plan to address these issues, nor has an attempt even been made by either party!

To fully fund education and other programs, we need an income tax and capital gains tax on upper-income residents. This will provide more stable revenue and enable us to lower the sales tax to help low-income residents. We also need to raise the minimum wage. No one who works full-time should be unable to meet their basic needs.

I am a treehugger. But instead of getting distracted by an idealistic carbon tax, I will focus on issues that directly impact residents, such as poisoning of our air, land and waterways. Despite our environmental image, the federal EPA actually admonished the State for not setting a reasonable standard for polluting salmon-bearing streams!

Other priorities include providing free access to (taxpayer-owned) State Parks and reforming drug laws to treat drugs as a public health issue, not a criminal issue -- which only leads to violence and racially-disproportionate mass incarceration. To ensure proper representation for all citizens, particularly minorities, local governments should move away from at-large voting to geographically-defined districts.

I live in Snohomish County in Bothell with my wife, two dogs and two children. I respectfully ask for your support.

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Governor Washington State

4-year term Statewide



**David W. Blomstrom**  
(Prefers Fifth Republic Party)

**Elected Experience:** No information submitted

**Other Professional Experience:** Worked as wildlife biologist for U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, North Slope Borough Environmental Protection Office and Alaska Dept. of Fish & Game. Also worked for National Park Service and as a teacher for the Seattle School District.

**Education:** B.S. in applied ecology from Western Washington University/Huxley; wildlife classes at University of Alaska; educational experiences also include political activism, campaigns for public office, writing, research and web design.

**Community Service:** I've served the community as a whistle-blower, activist and educator, largely through my websites (based at [www.gebop.com](http://www.gebop.com)) and political activism.

**Statement:** *Jewarchy*. Merely adding that word to your vocabulary makes my campaign a success. If you're bothered by the U.S. government giving billions of dollars to Israel - an illegitimate terrorist state - or Obama giving millions to wealthy alleged Holocaust survivors while snubbing homeless Americans or survivors of the ongoing Native American Holocaust, then you already have an idea what I'm talking about. Learn more at [www.jewarchy.com](http://www.jewarchy.com).

Better yet, begin with [www.geobop.com/politix-101](http://www.geobop.com/politix-101) and a peek at [www.davidblomstrom.com](http://www.davidblomstrom.com). Then ask "Why do no other candidates, politicians or 'activists' have a comparable track record and online resume or care enough to educate the public?"

I'm a veteran who does not support the troops, a former teacher who blew the whistle on my own employer and a former wildlife biologist who knows that Bill Gates doesn't have a clue about education, feeding the hungry or anything else except making crappy software.

I also coined the term Seattle Mafia, showcased at [www.seattlemafia.com](http://www.seattlemafia.com). Washington's de facto capital, Seattle is little more than a cancer cell, a playpen for corporate tycoons and shallow yuppies.

Even if all you care about are higher taxes and Seattle's skyrocketing rent, how are you going to fix things if you don't even recognize the root of the problem? *Clue:* How much taxes do Bill Gates, Boeing and Amazon pay? Who's the leading spokesman for genetically modified food? Who controls Seattle (and therefore Washington State)? *Bill Gates*. Yet how many politicians, candidates and "activists" have *one word* to say about Gates?

As Carl Sagan said, "Don't sit this one out. You are by accident of fate alive at an absolutely critical moment in the history of our planet." *Viva la revolucion!* [www.governor5.com](http://www.governor5.com)

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**Johnathan Dodds**  
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** Founder of OFFICESUPPLYSTORE.COM and Obfuscate Technology. Operating since 1997. Former Professional Wrestling Star known as Johnathan Holliday. My experience in negotiating and operating successful international companies enables me to put forth proposals for legislation that will insure that Washington State lives free and continues to be a driving force in the Global Market Place. I know the Pacific Northwest by the back of my hand. Microsoft, Boeing, Amazon and Alaska Air are just the beginning.

**Other Professional Experience:** No information submitted

**Education:** No information submitted

**Community Service:** No information submitted

**Statement:** The Washington State economy isn't the issue. Washington State has the best economy in the Nation. It has had the best economy in the nation consistently regardless of who is the Governor. How to manage the social pressures that are derived and suppressed are the issues. It is my intention to free up the people of Washington from the suppressive measures put in place as legislation. Freeing up the people of Washington State so they can manage the critical issues of their lives without having to abide by a judicial system that is currently being withheld from them in many aspects.

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**Patrick O'Rourke**  
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** I was a precinct Bernie Sanders delegate and went to the County convention.

**Other Professional Experience:** 35 years with Clark Public Utilities as an IBEW Union Journeyman Lineman, Journeyman Meterman, Journeyman Relay Tech and the Protection and Control Foreman

**Education:** Attended Vancouver Public Schools and Clark College in Vancouver and completed three Union apprenticeships while at Clark Public Utilities and attended the Washington State University Relay School in Pullman

**Community Service:** "Stream Team" streambank enhancement program for Clark county streams to help make the recovery of native fish possible. Clark County food drives, Ridgefield, Camas, Battle Ground and Vancouver Christmas lights. School electrical safety demonstrations

**Statement:** Working for Clark Public Utilities for 35 years gives me great insight on how a public agency can be by the people, for the people and win 7 JD Powers awards in a row for quality. It is one of the finest in the country. It shows me that unions and management can live in harmony and provide superior customer service and power at a reasonable price compared to for profit utilities.

I have also learned about being able to raise a family and buy a home with a union job and the benefits a union provides. I would like to see my children Emily and Keenan able to prosper in our state like I have. As governor I will represent the people first and always and won't forget who I work for.

The environment, education, human rights, economic justice and freedoms that are important to Washingtonians are necessary to a future where we can all coexist and have a balance that has been lacking economically and socially. We have been sacrificing for too long so those few at the top can get a few more breaks that they don't need but have the political clout to get in our system.

As a 4th generation resident of our great state I will be honored to represent everyone. I have been motivated by recent events to get involved and show that because our country was built by normal everyday people that everyday people can still get involved in state government and make a difference!

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**Christian Pierre Joubert**  
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**Elected Experience:** In the academic & spiritual realms.

**Other Professional Experience:** Worked in multiple institutes & universities in law, medicine, public health, ecology & holistic agriculture. Expertise in cancer research, wine therapy, clinical nutrition, acupuncture, naturopathy, gerontology, neuroscience, law, diplomacy, International relations. Documentary maker (holistic oncology, sustainability & longevity). Superfood organic energy bar producer. Professor of International law in Europe & Gonzaga Law School (Spokane) where I established the School's International human rights law program (1991).

**Education:** Law, Medicine, Acupuncture, Nutrition, Sociology, Ecology, Agriculture.

**Community Service:** Legal and educational contributions to encourage tobacco, food, medical, judicial & governmental leaders to embrace a holistic approach to business.

**Statement:** Like thousands of Washingtonians, my parents were sacrificed on the altar of today's cancer medicine. Inspired to help similarly misguided patients, I mindfully litigated for many years in Washington and Federal jurisdictions to change outdated medical standards.

During the 2008 gubernatorial campaign, my holistic message was well received: *"The best speaker of the evening - judging from audience reactions - was Christian Pierre Joubert who is running for Governor. His issues were health and prosperity but it was how he spoke to us that got us with him in just two minutes"* (Northwest Citizen Journal).

On election day, I was surprised to see that *my holistic platform emerged as the third political force of the State.*

In 2012, I followed up with a better holistic program and publicly debated governor Jay Inslee (at Seattle's Stranger newspaper). The subsequent events showed that my program was the most relevant one.

However, Washington's mainstream media silenced my holistic program while the Republican-Democratic legislature *unconstitutionally blocked the State's printed primary voters pamphlet funding. Likewise in 2016.*

I was therefore inspired to create *a new Consciousness movement, the Holistic Party, as a unifying tool to restore the People's wholeness, basic needs, informed consent & political sovereignty. As the Nation's first Holistic Governor, I would thus promote holistically-inspired executive orders, regulations and nominations that would reverse chronic stress, diseases, corruption, pollution, debt, bureaucracy & plutocracy by over 80 percent within 4 years, thanks to which the State will have enough resources to ensure equal access to wellbeing, prosperity & justice. We will also build a magnificent "New Era" Statue of Holistic Responsibility and offer all Washingtonians a joyful one week "health-spa vacation" each year. See [holisticparty.org](http://holisticparty.org) for the evidence that supports Holistic Governance as the ultimate remedy to today's failed politics.*

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Governor Washington State

4-year term Statewide



**James Robert Deal**  
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** No information submitted

**Other Professional Experience:** Real estate broker. Real estate, consumer protection, and environmental attorney since 1978

**Education:** University of Washington Law School, J.D. 1978; Western Washington University B.A, M.Ed. 1973; Anglican Theological College 1971; Abilene Christian University 1970; Harding University B.A., 1969

**Community Service:** President and webmaster of Fluoride Class Action, an association of attorneys and scientists who study and debate the effectiveness, risks, and legal and scientific aspects of fluoridation and topical applications of fluoride such as toothpaste and dental gels. See: [www.Fluoride-Class-Action.com/Safewater](http://www.Fluoride-Class-Action.com/Safewater)

**Statement:** Amend the Washington Constitution: Prohibit any income tax on the bottom 90%. Require an income tax on the top 10%. Fully fund education. Establish single payer health care, eliminating deductibles, as Colorado is doing. Phase in a \$15 minimum wage. Capitalism must work for all. Eliminate traffic congestion: Take half the solo drivers off the roads, cut greenhouse gasses, with a statewide, UberX cell driven, ride sharing and door to door van service. Vans would carry you to and from home, transit centers, work, ferries, car rental, school, shopping, and soccer practice, connecting our disconnected, wasteful, transit system, making transit faster than driving. Price vans by the mile to break even. Vans will fill up, especially at night, will be more secure, will feed passengers to buses and trains, increasing ridership and revenues, freeing up money to complete light rail. A six passenger van equal five cars off the roads. Sell one car and save \$724 per month. Owning a car will be optional. Enact a gasoline tax to complete light rail within six years. Establish a Washington State Bank, like the profitable North Dakota bank. Foment investment. Reduce the cost of bond borrowing. Make Washington an organic state. Ban salmon killing carcinogenic Roundup. Farmers will prosper selling organic products worldwide. Stop adding lead leaching, toxic waste fluoride filth to water. Ban mercury vaccines. Ban coal trains for littering mercury coal dust, oil trains as unreasonably dangerous. House the homeless, the right thing to do, cheaper than alternatives. Treat addiction as a health problem. Build gigabyte internet as Mount Vernon is doing. I am a green, progressive, New Deal Democrat, unlike the many elected Wall Street Democrats. My scientific and legal knowledge and goals are more important than my opponents' experience at maintaining the status quo.

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**Jay Inslee**

(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** Washington State House of Representatives 1989-1992 representing Yakima Valley; U.S. House of Representatives 1993-1994 representing Eastern Washington; U.S. House of Representatives 1999-2012 representing Kitsap, King and Snohomish Counties; Washington State Governor 2013–present.

**Other Professional Experience:** Attorney; Author, *Apollo's Fire: Igniting America's Clean Energy Economy*.

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

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

**Statement:** Over the last three years I've worked hard as governor to help build a stronger economy. We've created over 250,000 jobs, been recognized as the nation's best economy by *Business Insider* and seen the lowest unemployment rate since 2008.

When tragedy struck, we reopened the Skagit River I-5 Bridge in 27 days. We worked with courageous people devastated by the Oso slide, comforting victims and rebuilding communities. We took action to assist those impacted by wildfires in Central and Eastern Washington.

As a state we need to give our children access to a world-class education in an economy that demands new skills - I'm confident we can do this. Every child now has access to all-day kindergarten, we have smaller class sizes in early grades, and better paid and trained teachers. And we made an unprecedented tuition cut at all public colleges and universities across Washington.

We know we need big improvements in our transportation system. That's why I was adamant the legislature pass a bipartisan package that creates 200,000 jobs, repairs bridges, creates new lanes, expands bus service and opens the door to expanding light rail. While it will not fix everything overnight, it puts us on the right path while we address bottlenecks and find practical solutions.

When it comes to basic Washington values, we will not waiver. We'll protect children from the ravages of carbon pollution that cause asthma and climate change. We will work for an economy that builds a stronger middle class by raising the minimum wage, ensuring paid sick leave and advancing policies that allow working families to thrive.

I'm proud of our progress. With your vote, I'm confident we can harness our state's unique innovative spirit, and build a stronger economy and more prosperous future for every Washingtonian.

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4-year term Statewide



**Bill Bryant**  
(Prefers Republican Party)

**Elected Experience:** Commissioner, Port of Seattle

**Other Professional Experience:** Founder, Bryant Christie Inc., a company that helps farmers export (1992-present). Vice President, Northwest Horticultural Council (Yakima, 1985-92). Director, Governor's Council on International Trade (1984-85).

**Education:** Georgetown University, School of Foreign Service (B.S.F.S., trade/diplomacy, Asia/Latin America)

**Community Service:** Volunteer night manager, St. James shelter for homeless men (2004-06). Founding board member, Nisqually River Foundation. Former board member of Stewardship Partners, Washington Council on International Trade, Spokane International Trade Alliance. Member, Governor Gregoire's transportation task force. Rotary (Olympia, Yakima, Seattle). 2010 Maritime Public Official of the Year.

**Statement:** I listen, and I've heard loud and clear what people want. They want a government that cares about them. They want a governor who is effective -- a unifier, not a career politician. They want a governor who will scrutinize programs, fix broken bureaucracies, respect our tax dollars. They want a governor who will focus on children learning, traffic moving, prisons working; on controlling taxes and protecting our environment.

My background is in business. I built a company that operates on both sides of the mountains, that helps Washington's farmers export their crops. I pull people together and fix problems.

As an elected King Co/Seattle port commissioner, I cut taxes without sacrificing services; helped transform government to defend middle class jobs; focused on tourism, transportation, reducing air and water pollution and restoring habitat. I was recognized for taking on 'crony capitalism'.

Here's what I'll do as your governor: 1. Give every kid an equal chance to get ahead by funding and innovating schools. 2. Reinvent high school by including pre-apprenticeships for those not college-bound. 3. Reduce traffic jams by emphasizing capacity, better roads and efficient transit. 4. Rebuild the state budget from zero, reexamining every agency, tax incentive and program. 5. Put a moratorium on new regulations until current ones are justified or eliminated. 6. Preserve working farms and forests; restore salmon, steelhead and orca populations.

My agenda isn't ideological, it's not partisan. It's about us, pulling together, so people can get good jobs here, afford houses, raise families and retire here in this natural beauty we all love and want to protect.

Imagine a governor who works with both Republicans and Democrats, who makes government better, not bigger. It's time government listened. It's time we pull together and start getting stuff done. It's time.

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**Marty McClendon**  
(Prefers Republican Party)

**Elected Experience:** Precinct Committee Offer 26-335, 26th LDRC President 2012-2014

**Other Professional Experience:** Anesthesia Technician 1987-2000, Small Business Owner/Entrepreneur, Pastor 2002-Present, Real Estate Managing Broker 1999-Present, Radio Talk Show Host 2015-Present

**Education:** Attended University of Washington- Pre-Medicine, Anesthesia Technician Training and certification, Biblical and Polity Training and certificate for Pastoring, Mortgage Brokers training and license, Life Insurance license, Real Estate Managing Brokers training and license and thousands of hours of continuing education. Sales training with negotiation and presentation.

**Community Service:** Boys and Girls Club, Make A Wish Foundation, Rotary, Leukemia Foundation, little league, and World Vision.

**Statement:** As a World Peace Ambassador, I believe now is the time for Bold, Conservative Leadership with a vision for bringing the people of this state together in unity as one Washington. We must tackle the challenges we face, so that we can launch our state on a path for long term success. It is time to honor our veterans, improve the business environment, clean up job killing regulations, improve education, promote strong families and safe communities and provide a healthy dose of common sense to the way we approach issues.

I was raised with values including: keeping your word, loving your neighbor, and the value of hard work. I earned my Eagle Scout which instilled: trustworthiness, honesty, bravery, and love of Country. As a lifetime Resident of both Eastern and Western Washington, Host of Eyes on Washington, business owner, and father of 3, I am passionate about leaving a stronger Washington for the generations to come.

As your Lieutenant Governor, I will advocate for win-win solutions, hold government accountable, stand for Truth, Fight for Justice, defend against any takings of your lands, rights, or freedoms, and implement the Golden Rule. See my website at [www.ElectMarty.com](http://www.ElectMarty.com) for details. God Bless!

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**Mark Greene**  
(Prefers Citizens Party)

**Elected Experience:** Never elected to political office, but founder & chair of Revived Citizens Party, Democracy in Election Process Organization, and Respect for Mother Nature of Washington Committee.

**Other Professional Experience:** Legal Assistant: independent presently, but formerly worked for several prestigious law firms. Veteran of U.S. Armed Services: U.S.M.C. (active duty from 1972 to 1974; honorable discharge).

**Education:** Inver Hills College in State of Minnesota, A.A.S. Degree.

**Community Service:** Puget Sound Blood Center (newly called Bloodworks Northwest). My organizations have registered or re-enrolled at least a thousand new voters over the years, and educate voters about government.

**Statement:** Toppling the Two Party Custom: The Revived Citizens Party, an America-centric party, works for the Common Man, believes in practical budgeting; maintaining the no income tax policy; infrastructure & environmentally conscious. Personally crafted some wording for GMO Labeling initiatives.

Voting for the 2 major parties just gets us the status quo. Even President Theodore Roosevelt ran with "3rd party" (1912). Not all 3rd parties are good, e.g., the Libertarians aren't friendly to social security, unemployment compensation, etc.

Thanks to 123,000-plus unique voters of Washington who voted for me over the years. With this crowded field, your votes this time could easily put me in "Top 2," including nearly 6000 in Federal Way who had me within arms distance of the Council, and to all insurgent voters in Washington for doing their best to get a people's political order.

Washingtonians won't be able to use regular ID to get into government buildings & airports, soon, thanks to globalization-obsessed legislators, some running for lieutenant governor, and now are presently considering expanding nuclear energy in Washington despite all the ills that nuclearization has caused (Hanford), other U.S. (Three Mile Island), and other lands (Chernobyl & Fukushima).

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**Phillip Yin**  
(Prefers Republican Party)

**Elected Experience:** No information submitted

**Other Professional Experience:** Global journalist from Q13 Fox, CNBC Television, Bloomberg News, and CCTV America. Appointed to the Citizen's Oversight Committee for Sound Transit. Worked for Charles Schwab, UBS, and Oppenheimer. Vice Chairman of the Committee of China Business for the American Chamber of Commerce. Member of the Washington State U.S. China Relations Council.

**Education:** Eisenhower High School in Yakima, University of Washington, Harvard Business School, Minority Summer Program. International MBA from Georgetown University.

**Community Service:** Founder of the Phil and Friends American Dream Scholarship at UW. Member of President's Club at the University of Washington. Member of Asian American Journalist Association.

**Statement:** *"I will work hard to prevent a state income tax and support free markets. Voters have said the status quo is unacceptable and new leadership is needed. I will ensure fairness and keep taxes low so you keep more of your paycheck."*

Phillip is passionate, qualified, and ready. As an investigative journalist, Phillip defended the freedom of speech and covered stories from 9/11 to the financial crisis. He's asked hard questions of politicians and CEOs focusing on the truth. After the financial crisis, Phillip successfully led the fight helping bank customers and retirees recover \$1.8 billion for 43,000 people. He has the experience and character to fight for us!

Phillip will work with community leaders to create jobs, find solutions to our transportation mess, and prioritize improving our schools. As a father of three girls, these are his personal priorities.

He'll expand opportunities in Eastern and Western Washington by leading on trade and development. He is a strong supporter of fiscally responsible leaders including Rob McKenna, Dino Rossi, and Congresswoman Cathy McMorris Rogers. Phillip is grateful to be endorsed by numerous current and formerly elected officials for his dedication and strong family values. #YinItToWinIt!

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**Steve Hobbs**  
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** Steve Hobbs has served in the State Senate for 10 years, fighting to fully fund public education, grow the economy, address social and economic inequality – while promoting a civil dialogue and working across party lines in the legislature to bring about bipartisan solutions.

**Other Professional Experience:** 27 years of service in the Army and National Guard; deployed to Kosovo and Iraq; currently is Commander of Joint Forces Headquarters Washington Army National Guard.

**Education:** Steve worked his way through college, earning his Associate degree from Everett Community College and his Masters of Public Administration from the University of Washington.

**Community Service:** Rotary, American Legion, Nisei Veterans Committee.

**Statement:** Steve has dedicated his life to public service, including over twenty years of military service. He's running for Lieutenant Governor to continue his fight to fully fund the public schools his three children attend, grow the state economy and champion accountability and results in state government. As chief Democratic negotiator on the Senate Transportation Committee, Steve worked across party lines to pass the first transportation package in over a decade.

In addition to presiding over the Senate, the Lieutenant Governor leads the state government when the Governor is unavailable. The Lieutenant Governor initially led emergency response during the Oso landslide and last year's devastating fires. As a commander in the Army National Guard, *Steve Hobbs is the only candidate with firsthand experience in emergency management.*

"Steve Hobbs has the experience, training and judgment needed to support the Governor in times of crisis and to provide decisive leadership when serving as acting Governor," said former Washington National Guard Major General (Ret.) Tim Lowenberg.

Endorsed by unions including State Troopers Association, State Building Trades, Public School Employees and Governor Gary Locke. Supported by Washington businesses including Boeing, Microsoft and Weyerhaeuser. Steve, his wife Pam and their three boys live in Snohomish County.

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**Karen Fraser**  
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** State Senator, Thurston County, 6 terms; former State Representative, 2 terms; former Thurston County Commissioner, 2 terms; former Lacey Mayor and City Council Member (firstwoman).

**Other Professional Experience:** Washington State Association of Counties, President (first woman); The Evergreen State College, Adjunct Faculty, Master of Public Administration Program. Leader of state international friendship and trade delegations to Asia.

**Education:** University of Washington: BA and Master of Public Administration; Yale University Summer Language Institute; Roosevelt High School, Seattle.

**Community Service:** Boy Scouts of America, Tumwater Council, former Vice President and Treasurer; Washington-Hyogo (Japan) Sister State 50th Anniversary Celebration, Chair; Nisqually River Basin Task Force.

**Statement:** Experience matters.

Karen Fraser is the only candidate with extensive state, city, and county government, and state level international relations experience. A six-term State Senator, she has been a major, progressive leader for budget, policy, parliamentary debate, and Senate administration. She was a Thurston County Commissioner, the first woman President of the Washington State Association of Counties, and the first woman Mayor of Lacey.

She would become the first woman Lt. Governor---achieving better representation of our population. She will not seek higher office, and will focus on doing this job well. Presiding over the Senate is the top duty of the Lt. Governor. She would be a leader to promote civility, respect, and ethics. Her top priority: promote prosperity that benefits every person in the state. This includes: social and economic justice for all, family wage jobs, fully funding K-12 needs, reducing student debt, achieving clean air and water, addressing climate change, investing in infrastructure, assuring a safety net for the vulnerable, and assuring that government works *for* the people.

**Endorsements:** three former Senate Presidents Pro Tem, labor unions, Democratic groups, progressive organizations, WA Women's Political Caucus, over 40 current and former legislators and statewide officials.

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**Bill Penor**  
(Prefers Republican Party)

**Elected Experience:** No political baggage

**Other Professional Experience:** 21 years experience in Airport/Aerospace industry and served as Vice President, Washington Airport Management Association; Business development WBA - Member; American Association of Airport Executives - Certified Member; Aircraft Rescue Fire Fighter - Certified; Additional experience in the fields of Timber Management, Construction, Marine Trades

**Education:** GED

**Community Service:** Narbeck Wetland Sanctuary - Board Member

**Statement:** Today Washington is faced with difficult issues that did not occur over night. Due to lack of vision its time for change, change filled with critical thinking and new ideas to move Washington forward.

Where others see dead ends I see opportunities such as joining education with business and industry to assist in training our young adults for the journey in to adulthood and closing the education, earnings, and racial gaps so that all in Washington can rise together and soften the burden on the tax payers who work so hard to get ahead.

Grid continues to plague our roadways, poor management and cost overruns impacting our economy and productivity, it is time to take control and turn that around. Tax payers deserve better representation!

As Lt. Governor you can be assured that I will remain accessible and respectful and work hard every day to bring good ideas, transparency, accountability, and common sense to state government. The time is now to take action and take advantage of the opportunities that are in front of us. You deserve so much more from government, through me you will take charge. Let's rise together! you can also find me at @billpenor and <https://www.facebook.com/BillPenor2016/>

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**Paul Addis**

(Prefers Libertarian Party)

**Elected Experience:** VP, Belltown Community Council (2014); PCO, 1st Legislative District (2012)

**Other Professional Experience:** Sr. Business Analyst (Finance), Alaska Airlines; Accounting Specialist, Delta Airlines; CEO, Life Spring Ministry International; Cryptologic Linguist, US Army Intelligence

**Education:** BBA, Management (Georgia State University)

**Community Service:** Meals on Wheels (Regional Coordinator); YearUp! (Mentor); City Fruit (Volunteer); Alaska Air Green Team (Member); Bread of Life Mission (Volunteer)

**Statement:** Every sports fan knows that a referee can't call a fair game if they are working for one of the teams. As a member of neither the Republican nor Democratic Parties, I am uniquely qualified to be the most practical and impartial 'referee' in the Lieutenant Governor's role as Senate President. As someone that doesn't accept donations from big money special interests, I am likewise best suited to carry out the duties of Rules Committee Chair. Only a 'gatekeeper' that isn't beholden to those special interests can ensure the voice of the people is heard in the Senate.

As your Lieutenant Governor, my primary function will be to ensure that legislation beneficial to the people sees the light of day, that legislation is fairly debated and that legislation favored by corporate interests doesn't get preferential treatment.

My criteria for appointing committee members will be how well they have supported legislation that benefits the people over corporate interests. I believe that civil and economic liberty provide maximum prosperity and happiness in a society.

We need to make the legislative process more accessible to the citizens. I'm asking for your support and your vote. Let's make a positive change together.

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**Daniel B. Davies**  
(States No Party Preference)

**Elected Experience:** No information submitted

**Other Professional Experience:** Gun Shop Owner

**Education:** No information submitted

**Community Service:** No information submitted

**Statement:** I have been a gun shop owner in Tacoma, WA for over 10 years. I know first hand how regulations hurt small business. We need to free business from unnecessary, unproductive burdens and get back to the basics. A good economy is good for everyone, so let's tax at a lower rate, developing more income with less resistance.

I support your Second Amendment rights. I believe any non felon U.S. Citizen should be able to purchase and bear firearms with minimal government interference. I support a five year minimum sentence for "theft of a firearm" or a "convicted felon in possession of a firearm". This would stop a lot of crime.

I oppose a state income tax, I oppose a state carbon tax. I don't like light rail. Buses are a better way to go. Buses are more versatile than rail, providing flexible routing and re-routing.

I don't like career politicians. Government service should not be a lifetime job. I want to be your Lt. Governor to make a difference, and show what a working man can do with common sense.

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**Karen Wallace**  
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** No information submitted

**Other Professional Experience:** Realtor; Entrepreneur of successful and profitable, Seattle small business.

**Education:** Attended Central Washington University and Bellevue College.

**Community Service:** Windermere Foundation; John L Scott Foundation; Ronald McDonald House; WSHFC Homebuyer Home Advantage Program; Dedicated to clean water and rubbish-free forests.

**Statement:** As a Realtor and small business owner, I know how important it is that state government creates opportunity and prosperity for all. As a long time community volunteer, I have a proven track record of working with people of all backgrounds to create positive change here in Washington.

In my profession, I have observed more and more people finding it difficult to access the American Dream whether it is saving for college, achieving homeownership, or starting a small business. I am running for Lieutenant Governor to help my fellow Washingtonians achieve these goals.

I want to bring a modern approach in new thinking to our state government that will lead to more investment in high quality public education, reduce taxes on small businesses, and cut unnecessary regulations that impact job growth. I want homeownership to be available for everyone. As a woman who has overcome professional obstacles, I am committed to eliminating the wage gap between men and women in our state. I am 100% pro-choice.

As Lieutenant Governor, I will work with legislators on both parties to build bipartisan support around positioning Washington State to become a leading example of business prosperity and high quality education nationally.

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**Cyrus Habib**  
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** State Senator, 48th Legislative District; Member of the Senate Democratic Leadership Team; Democratic Whip; former State Representative, 48th Legislative District; former Vice Chairman of Economic Development Committee.

**Other Professional Experience:** Attorney at Perkins Coie representing entrepreneurs and small businesses; professor at Seattle University Law School.

**Education:** Public school graduate, additional coursework at the Washington State School for the Blind; Bachelor's from Columbia; Master's from Oxford (Rhodes Scholar); law degree from Yale.

**Community Service:** Advisory Board, University of Washington Eye Institute; Board of Directors, 5th Avenue Theatre; Board of Directors, Bellevue College Foundation; former King County Civil Rights Commissioner; Parishioner, St. James Cathedral.

**Statement:** I lost my eyesight to childhood cancer, but thanks to dedicated public school teachers, I went on to become a lawyer and legislator, committed to giving every child the opportunity to realize their potential.

In the State Senate, I've worked to fund schools and reduce college tuition. I've fought to expand access to contraception, protect reproductive rights, and expand paid sick leave. I reached across the aisle to pass landmark transportation investments. I'll bring my proven record and an entrepreneurial approach to make the office of Lieutenant Governor more relevant, championing quality public education, environmental protection, and new jobs.

The Lieutenant Governor presides over the State Senate; as the only attorney in this race and a law professor who teaches legislative procedure, I'll ensure we save time and money by opposing budgets that violate the Constitution by shortchanging public schools. When the Legislature fails our kids, we all lose. Let's make government work for all of us.

**Endorsements:** Attorney General Bob Ferguson, King County Democrats, Washington Education Association, Washington Conservation Voters, American Federation of Teachers, State Labor Council, former Congressman Norm Dicks, nearly all Seattle and Tacoma Councilmembers, dozens of mayors and legislators from Spokane to Vancouver; many more.

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**Javier H. Figueroa**  
(Prefers Republican Party)

**Elected Experience:** Mayor and council member, City of University Place, WA.

**Other Professional Experience:** President, Rainier Communication Commission; Lands Program Manager, Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission; Energy Specialist, Washington State Energy Office, Arbitrator-Better Business Bureau, Executive Vice President, Rockmann Development Group LLC; U.S. Army (12 years).

**Education:** Three years of undergraduate work in Business Administration; Advance Municipal Leadership Certificate, Association of Washington Cities; Specialized training in organizational structure and project implementation, U.S. Army.

**Community Service:** Member, State Council on Aging; Board of Directors, Tahoma Audubon Society; 2015 U.S. Open Task Force; Board Member, The Grand Cinema; Speaker, The White House Conference on Global Climate Change.

**Statement:** Javier Figueroa will use his 35 years of business experience to support economic development throughout Washington by implementing best practices in business incubation because for every public dollar spent on incubators, the community's return-on-investment is nearly \$30. This is especially important for veterans, like Figueroa, as well as new college graduates and members of traditionally disenfranchised communities who simply want an opportunity to pursue the American dream.

Figueroa believes economic growth must be balanced with its environmental impact. He will use his expertise in climate change and energy sustainability to preserve the natural resources that are so important to the people of Washington.

As a naturalized citizen, Figueroa will advocate for quality education for all children because he knows personally of its transformative powers. He will continue to push for stronger elder abuse protections as he has done while serving on Governor Inslee's State Council on Aging.

As a business arbitrator for 21 years, Figueroa brings an important skill set to the Lt. Governor's office. He will bridge different political viewpoints to keep everyone moving forward. He believes this is what is needed from government today-less gridlock and more progress to address the needs of *all* Washingtonians.

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**Tina Podlodowski**  
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** Seattle City Councilmember

**Other Professional Experience:** Director and Senior Manager at Microsoft; Senior Vice President at Porter Novelli; *Puget Sound Business Journal* "Woman of Excellence"

**Education:** University of Hartford, *Bachelor of Science*, Computer Engineering

**Community Service:** Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Puget Sound; Co-founder of Washington Alliance for Gun Responsibility; Washington Citizens for Fairness; CITIES Technology and Leadership Project, Urban League of Metropolitan Seattle "Spirit Award"; Human Rights Campaign

**Statement:** Tina Podlodowski offers a *proven 30-year track record of elected and community leadership, and the technology and management experience* to get voters participating in our democracy again. She's currently working with auditors and leaders *in all 39 counties* on improvements like postage-paid ballots, more ballot drop boxes, and automatic voter registration.

A successful high-tech businesswoman, Tina is qualified to champion neglected reforms to support Washington businesses and safeguard our tax dollars. She will invest responsibly in a voting system that works for everyone, not a particular political party.

Washington used to be a leader in elections. But under the current Secretary of State *voter participation has declined* to a record low of 38%, with over one million eligible citizens still unregistered. Like many partisan Republicans, the incumbent has routinely opposed the Washington Voting Rights Act and other voting innovations like Election Day registration and pre-registration for 16 and 17 year olds. We must do better.

Tina is the *only* candidate endorsed by the non-partisan Women's Political Caucus of Washington – and she is supported by county auditors, community organizations, and voters of all parties who agree with Tina: "*Every voice matters. Every vote counts.*"

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**Kim Wyman**  
(Prefers Republican Party)

**Elected Experience:** Washington Secretary of State, 2013 – present; Thurston County Auditor, 2001 – 2013.

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

**Education:** Bachelor of Arts, California State University, Long Beach, 1985; Master of Public Administration, Troy State University, 1990; Certified Elections Registration Administrator (CERA), Auburn University/Election Center, 2004 – present; Washington State Certified Election Administrator, 1995 – present.

**Community Service:** Jennifer Dunn Leadership Institute Board Chair, Honorary Co-Chair NTPS Levy Committee, Washington Historical Society Board of Directors; YMCA Youth and Government Advisory Board; TVW Board of Directors; Lacey Rotary Club.

**Statement:** Thank you for the honor of serving as your Secretary of State. I have continued the office's nonpartisan legacy by expanding registration and voting access, maintaining the integrity of our elections, preserving our state's rich heritage, and making it easier for businesses and charities to register with state government. Washington is a national leader, with more registered voters than at any time in state history.

With another four years I will continue working hard with county auditors and election advocates to modernize and secure our voter registration and election systems, increase voter participation, and continue to increase accessibility to the State Library and Archives. I will continue to advocate for underserved people - military service members and those with special needs, promote civics education, and provide transparent government. Most importantly, it will continue to be my paramount duty to maintain the nonpartisan integrity and citizen-oriented philosophy of the office.

I am proud to be endorsed by all former Secretaries of State and over 50 county auditors and elections directors - including Democrats, Republicans and Independents. They know the job and share my passion for accurate elections and preserving our state's legacy.

I ask for your vote to continue this important work.

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Secretary of State Washington State

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**Tim Turner**

(Prefers Libertarian Party)

**Elected Experience:** None

**Other Professional Experience:** Software Engineer, Navy Nuclear Chemist, U.S. Navy Submariner, Author, High School Teacher

**Education:** Bachelor of Science in Game and Simulation Programming, Magna Cum Laude, DeVry University, 2009. Navy Nuclear Propulsion Training Command, certified Engineering Laboratory Technician

**Community Service:** I try to be a decent person everywhere I go. I make the world a better place one step at a time, one piece of litter a walk, one extra smile a day. To me, charity isn't about a club membership or a pat on the back.

**Statement:** Our political system is deeply broken, and is in need of reform to bring more fairness, honesty, and community back. Political parties have too much power. Too many politicians forget that public office is a service, not a career.

I come from a family of service in local, state, and federal government. To me, service isn't about what you get out of the system, but a solemn sacrifice. As a Navy veteran, I put my life on the line for our voting rights. In 2013, I stepped into a classroom filled with 21 struggling programming students. Together we caught up and got so far ahead that I had to create more curriculum. I'm proud to have upheld my family's tradition of service.

I'm running third party to respectfully remind the Big Two Parties that they need to put the people before party politics. I refuse corporate donations and special interest money. I represent political party reform, electoral college reform, and election reform.

As Secretary of State, I will be honored to continue my family's tradition of service by ensuring the justice and integrity of your vote, without party politics. Stand with me, and we'll fix our political system together.

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State Treasurer Washington State

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**John Paul Comerford**  
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** Elected PCO; Elected Town Commissioner

**Other Professional Experience:** Registered Pension Fiduciary; Vice Chair, Investment Advisory Board, City of Seattle Retirement System; Member, Washington Economic Development Finance Authority; Appointed by President Carter as President of the National Consumer Cooperative Bank; Associate Director, The White House Conference on Economic Development; Founded two successful community banks; Democratic Congressional nominee, 1994; Original Member, Obama for America Retirement Security Committee.

**Education:** Graduate Degrees from the Universities of Cambridge, London and Harvard and the American College of Financial Services. BA, Massachusetts.

**Community Service:** Treasurer, World Affairs Council; Chair, Queen Anne Food Program; Member, National Community Investment Advisory Board.

**Statement:** John Comerford is an experienced *financial leader*. As Treasurer, John will contribute to the solution for fully funding public education while transitioning from our regressive sales tax and ever-increasing property taxes.

John will bring his passion for financial education to Washington and make us the model for successful personal financial decision-making, particularly in retirement savings and consumerism. John will bring the power of this Office to bear on the critical financial, social and environmental issues we face, including the timely and orderly divestment of fossil fuel investments. The Treasurer serves on over 20 boards that directly impact these issues. Using the experience he gained in starting a Federal consumer bank under President Carter, John will start a much-needed State Bank in Washington.

John has *earned* the Accredited Investment Fiduciary, Registered Fiduciary and Chartered Financial Consultant designations and will make sure that we are managing our investments and debt in a professional and environmentally responsible manner. No other candidate has the experience, education and professional credentials that John brings to this Position.

Honorable Discharge: *U.S. Air Force*. Married: *one daughter*. Endorsed by: *King County Democratic Central Committee, State Legislators, business leaders and Washington voters like you.*

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**Marko Liias**  
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** State Senator, 2014-present; State Representative, 2008-2014; Mukilteo City Council, 2006-2008

**Other Professional Experience:** Marko managed a small, family-owned construction company, and has worked on budget and finance issues in local government.

**Education:** Marko was the first in his family to go to college, earning a bachelor's degree at Georgetown University. He was a graduate student at the University of Washington and completed the Senior Executives in State and Local Government program at Harvard University.

**Community Service:** Marko has volunteered for numerous non-profit organizations, he's currently a board member of the Transportation Choices Coalition and the Seattle Repertory Theater.

**Statement:** Our next Treasurer must ensure that tax dollars are wisely managed, but we need someone who will also stand up for struggling middle class families. Senator Marko Liias is the trusted leader who will ensure that our families have someone looking out for our bottom line--and the state's bottom line.

Marko was an architect of the bi-partisan transportation package which is generating billions in new investments all over Washington--investments that must be carefully managed by our next Treasurer. Still repaying student loans, Marko understands the crisis of student debt that's threatening families everywhere. He's committed to crafting a student loan refinancing program to help graduates save thousands on interest.

Marko knows the struggles facing families across Washington. During the recession, Marko's family lost their small business and his parents lost the nest egg they were counting on for retirement. We can trust him to fight for retirement security for our families while standing up to Wall Street to get taxpayers the best deal for our state's investments.

Marko is endorsed by scores of community leaders, labor groups and small business owners from all over Washington. *He will be a Treasurer for the people--not the powerful.*

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**Duane Davidson**  
(Prefers Republican Party)

**Elected Experience:** Benton County Treasurer, 2003-Present.

**Other Professional Experience:** Certified Public Accountant (CPA); former Chief Finance Officer for Benton County Auditor's Office; former Assistant State Auditor; Loan Officer for a Consumer Finance Company.

**Education:** Tolt High School, Carnation, WA; Associate Degree from Bellevue Community College, Bellevue, WA; Bachelor Degree in Accounting from Central Washington University.

**Community Service:** Current President, Washington State Association of County Treasurers; Past President, Atomic City Kiwanis; Past President, Tri-City Industry Kiwanis; Current Treasurer for Tri-City Kiwanis Foundation; Past Church Treasurer and member of Gideon's International; Precinct Committee Officer and Past Treasurer for the Benton County Republican Party.

**Statement:** Duane Davidson is the Benton County Treasurer. He is endorsed by nearly every county treasurer in the state, including both Democrats and Republicans. The most trusted leaders in our state have endorsed Duane: former Governor Dan Evans, Secretary of State Kim Wyman and former Secretary of State Sam Reed among others.

The incumbent state Treasurer has used his office to push for a state income tax. Duane Davidson believes the State Treasurer should be above partisan politics, he'll never use this office to promote an income tax or other agenda. He will defend the interests of taxpayers and always keep the state government accountable for how it invests our tax dollars.

*No one is better qualified to serve as State Treasurer. Duane leads the county treasurers' association, his office has innovated nationally recognized efforts to save taxpayer money and improve government openness and accountability. He's established an investment pool that manages hundreds of millions of taxpayer dollars. There's a big difference between safeguarding taxpayer money and managing personal investments, Duane knows the difference.*

Duane lives in the Tri-Cities. He's active in the Gideons, Kiwanis, and his local church. He has three children, Bailey, Luke, and Kinzey.

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**Michael Waite**  
(Prefers Republican Party)

**Elected Experience:** You deserve a finance professional - not a professional politician - as your State Treasurer. While this is my first run for office, I'm the only candidate with 15+ years of private sector finance, investment and accounting experience.

**Other Professional Experience:** Senior VP of Operations, Bentall Kennedy, managing \$11.1 billion of assets. Head of Accounting, Cascade Investment (Bill & Melinda Gates's investment firm), managed \$70 billion of assets.

**Education:** MBA, Emory University. BBA, Accounting and Management, Columbus State University.

**Community Service:** United Way of King County: Board Member (2012-2015); Finance and Audit Committees (2008-2015); Early Learning Impact Council (2012-present).

**Statement:** You deserve honest and understandable management of our State's finances. For too long, the professional politicians elected Treasurer have helped put us \$20 billion in debt. Now Washington has the 6th highest state debt per person in the nation.

*This deficit spending is unacceptable. I will lead us in a different direction.*

I'm the only candidate with the high-level private industry experience to bring much needed change to the Treasurer's office. My professional finance background, and commitment to integrity and open government, have earned me endorsements from former Attorney General Rob McKenna and Independents, Democrats, and Republicans across our state (see [HireMichaelWaite.com](http://HireMichaelWaite.com)).

As Treasurer, *I will fight for you against the dangers of increasing our debt, or hurting our economy with a state income tax.* I will honestly present financial information to taxpayers and, most importantly, prioritize efficiency, accountability and *decreasing state debt*. That way we can increase the money available for schools, public safety, our social safety net, and community infrastructure, instead of spending \$2 billion every year on debt payments to Wall Street. I've thrived as a finance professional by delivering for clients - now, let me deliver for you. Please vote Michael Waite for Treasurer.

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**Alec Fiskén**

(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** Port of Seattle Commissioner 2004-2008

**Other Professional Experience:** Strategic Policy Advisor: Transportation and utility finance, City of Seattle. Vice President, Prudential Bache Capital Funding: Financial consulting and debt issuance for Northwest municipalities. Vice President, Rainier National Bank: Debt structure and financial plan development for Washington's cities, ports, utilities. Consultant: Managed Seattle City Council's investigation of the response to WTO meeting protests. Publisher: *Marine Digest* and *Seattle Sun*. Consultant: Africa and European Common Market.

**Education:** Harvard University, Masters in Public Administration; Yale University, BA History

**Community Service:** Boards: Town Hall, Sanctuary Art Center, Elevated Transportation Company, Evergreen Community Development, Country Doctor, Environmental Works, Metrocenter YMCA

**Statement:** When endorsing Alec's campaign, Jim McIntire, the retiring State Treasurer, said "I believe only Alec has the experience, insight, and expertise to continue this office's essential work. . . . As our population and economy continue to grow, we need Alec's experience working for the long-term fiscal health of our state, counties and cities."

Alec has decades of experience: He has worked in bond markets to help local governments issue debt, dealt with rating agencies, and planned financial strategies in responsible political positions. Alec is the only candidate for Treasurer with both public- and private-sector finance experience, and is best qualified to manage the Treasurer's Office while also facilitating the legislature's overdue reform of Washington's antiquated tax system.

Experience matters. The Treasurer's Office sells billions of dollars in debt every year and manages billions in investments. All of it belongs to you, Washington State taxpayers. The Treasurer works in a chaotic world, with volatile financial markets, and big banks that often do not have our best interests at heart. Alec has the background and experience to know how things work and a life-long track record of making them work for you. Vote for your Treasurer: Alec Fiskén.

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**Pat (Patrice) McCarthy**  
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** Pierce County Executive, currently serving her second term. Pat leads a county government with 3,000 employees. Previously elected as Pierce County Auditor (2005 County Auditor of the Year) and twelve years as a Tacoma School Board Member.

**Other Professional Experience:** Sound Transit, Recent Chair; 2015 U.S. Open Championship, Chair; Board Member: Alliance for a Healthy South Sound, Tacoma-Pierce County Economic Development Board, South Sound Military & Communities Partnership.

**Education:** B.A., University of Washington, Tacoma

**Community Service:** Sexual Assault Center of Pierce County, Emeritus; United Way of Pierce County; Received awards for land conservation, open government, and access to justice.

**Statement:** I am the only candidate for State Auditor with proven executive leadership experience. I have always served the public with honesty and integrity during my 25 years of local government service. *It's why I was named the 2005 County Auditor of the Year by the Secretary of State, and it's why I've been endorsed by many County Auditors on both sides of the Cascades!*

**Trusted:** I have an unmatched understanding of public records and public money. It's why I've been endorsed by Chris Gregoire and Norm Dicks; County Executives Dow Constantine, Ron Sims, and Bob Drewel; National Women's Political Caucus; AFSCME/WSCCCE Council 2; and many other leaders listed on my website.

**Tested:** Restoring public confidence in the State Auditor's office won't be an easy job. I served as County Auditor during the 2004 gubernatorial recount, and I led the statewide effort to restore public confidence in our elections system. I led Pierce County through the Great Recession and stood up against elected officials who abused the public's trust.

**Transparent:** My office received the Key Award from the Washington Coalition for Open Government for refreshing recordkeeping for the digital age. Government must be accountable to the public it serves.

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**David Golden**  
(States No Party Preference)

**Elected Experience:** This will be my first election.

**Other Professional Experience:** No information submitted

**Education:** BS Civil and Environmental Engineering Washington State University, 1997. MS Structural Engineering University of Washington, 2008.

**Community Service:** No information submitted

**Statement:** I formerly worked for the Washington State Department of Transportation as a structural bridge inspector. I was a first responder for bridge catastrophic damage and worked to ensure bridge safety throughout the entire state. Hence, I have extensive experience in protecting public safety and welfare.

I am not a politician but believe that the skills I have are easily transferable. You can be sure that I will work only for you, the people.

Thank you for your vote.

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**Mark Wilson**  
(Prefers Independent Party)

**Elected Experience:** I have not previously run for public office.

**Other Professional Experience:** Auditor/Forensic Accountant/Fraud Examiner, Wilson Accounting & Consulting, General Accounting Manager, Starbucks Coffee Co., Controller, North American Profiles, Ltd., Controller, Colonnade Technologies, Inc., Cash Manager, Todd Shipyards Corp., Sr. Internal Auditor, Western Union Intl., Auditor, Haralson & Co. CPAs.

**Education:** Graduate, Bellevue Christian High School, Bachelor of Business Administration, University of Puget Sound, Bachelor of Accounting Science, University of Puget Sound, MBA Financial Management, City University of Seattle, Certificate in Private Investigation, University of Washington.

**Community Service:** Washington Citizens Action, AARP Fraud, Numerous pro-bono church audits and examinations.

**Statement:** I am not a career politician. In fact this is the first time I have ever run for office. What I am is an auditing, accounting, and fraud examination professional who has over thirty years of experience behind him. In my practice I work as a forensic accountant, fraud examiner and financial investigator. I have worked closely with law enforcement, both local and Federal, industry, labor unions, government, and individuals. As a very experienced audit manager I strongly believe that my skills and experience are ideally suited to the needs and requirements of the Washington State Auditors' Office. As has been said on many occasions, "*There is no substitute for experience.*" I have that experience.

Recent events have taken their toll on the State Auditors' Office. One of my primary goals as State Auditor will be to restore the integrity and professionalism that had made it one of the most respected state auditing agencies in the United States. In so doing the State Auditors' Office will again provide the citizens of Washington with the vigilant oversight that will ensure their tax dollars are not wasted but used in the most efficient and economically responsible manner possible.

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**Mark Miloscia**  
(Prefers Republican Party)

**Elected Experience:** State Senator, 2015-Present; State Representative, 1999-2013; Chair, House Audit Review Committee; Chair, Senate Accountability Committee; Commissioner, Lakehaven Utility District, 1996-1999

**Other Professional Experience:** Air Force B-52 Pilot, Contract Manager for Boeing's B-1 program, Quality Examiner for the Baldrige National Performance Program; Tacoma Goodwill Director managing three businesses serving individuals with disabilities; Substitute Teacher, Auburn School District

**Education:** BS, Engineering, USAF Academy; MBA, University of ND; MS, Clinical Psychology, Chapman University

**Community Service:** Federal Way Boys and Girls Club Board; Lake Dolloff PTA VP; FW Community Caregiving Network Board President serving meals to the needy and housing homeless women with children.

**Statement:** Our state needs a passionate, skilled State Auditor who will hold all government agencies accountable to Washingtonians. As the only candidate who's audited, reviewed, and improved businesses, hospitals, government agencies, nonprofits, and colleges, I'm able to lead the embattled State Auditor's Office and get results on day one.

We've seen the terrible headlines of mismanaged and failing government agencies--ineffective homelessness programs that increase homelessness and crime, prisoners escaping mental hospitals, state employees injured, prison inmates released early, and a Transportation Department creating gridlock on our roads. We can and must do better!

I've spent my life in both the public and private sector championing efficient, effective and ethical government; justice for the most vulnerable; and increasing public trust. Every dollar government wastes means fewer resources in the classroom or for those in need, and more pressure to raise taxes. As State Auditor, I will use performance audits to ensure all our governments become good stewards of your tax dollars, achieve real results, and earn your trust!

We deserve the most efficient, effective, and ethical government. We can't afford to elect someone to this critical office who has zero experience. *Elect an accomplished auditor—elect Mark Miloscia for State Auditor!*

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**Jeff Sprung**  
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** Lawyer for whistleblowers, devoted husband and father, son of Auschwitz survivor, community leader. Jeff has never sought political office.

**Other Professional Experience:** Jeff has managed financial investigations of the misuse of our tax dollars for 30 years. At a top-ten nationwide law firm, he represents whistleblowers reporting corporations for defrauding the government. Previously an Assistant US Attorney, he supervised financial investigations of companies stealing from low-income housing programs.

**Education:** JD, University of Chicago; BA, University of Michigan

**Community Service:** Recent board president of Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest, board member of an environmental whistleblower organization, leader in Washington State Association for Justice.

**Statement:** Jeff Sprung is the only candidate with hands-on financial audit and investigations experience, having returned over \$750 million to citizens from financial fraud by drug companies and big banks. Jeff is not a career politician. He has spent his career fighting alongside whistleblowers to demand openness and accountability from government – and corporations doing business with government.

In the recent legislative session, Jeff was the only candidate demanding Olympia politicians stop diverting citizen-mandated Auditor funding. Jeff will restore the trust and morale of this office and bring an experienced, outsider's perspective to auditing government. A reproductive freedom champion, Jeff will safeguard women's health funding from partisan audits. He will be the independent voice to give us the government we want.

*"As an experienced financial watchdog, I'll work every day to make government more transparent, assuring our hard-earned tax dollars are spent as we intend. I'll demand accountability from government and corporations that receive government dollars or tax breaks."*

Jeff is endorsed by Attorney General Bob Ferguson; Washington State Labor Council; 40 elected officials; Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest Board members; Bellevue, Pierce, and other Firefighters; Spokane, Snohomish, King County Democrats; retired 20-year Auditor Brian Sonntag.

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**Bob Ferguson**  
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** Washington's 18th Attorney General.

**Other Professional Experience:** Law clerk in Spokane for Chief Judge Nielsen of the Federal District Court of Eastern Washington, law clerk for Judge Bright of the 8th Circuit Court of Appeals, and attorney at Preston, Gates & Ellis (now K&L Gates,) one of Washington's leading law firms.

**Education:** Blanchet High School, B.A. University of Washington, J.D. New York University School of Law.

**Community Service:** Bob and his family are active in St. Catherine's Church; Bob joined the Jesuit Volunteer Corps after college and directed an emergency services office.

**Statement:** A fourth-generation Washingtonian, husband, and father of two, Bob Ferguson is working hard to protect our seniors, homeowners, veterans, and small businesses from powerful special interests that don't play by the rules. Standing up for us, Bob took on foreign corporations and Wall Street special interests, returning more than fifty million dollars to hardworking Washingtonians – including millions for homeowners facing foreclosure.

Endorsed by the Washington State Patrol Troopers Association and prosecutors across the state, Bob is protecting our kids and communities from violent sex predators. He's built specialized units prosecuting environmental crimes, assisting veterans, and upholding the civil rights of all Washingtonians.

An independent leader, Bob is protecting taxpayers by combating Medicaid fraud, and reforming Olympia by introducing laws to make government more open and accountable. Committed to transparency and protecting our political system, Bob is shining a light on dark money in politics, successfully prosecuting the largest campaign finance violation in state history.

Son of a public school teacher and 40-year Boeing employee, Bob brings middle class values and independence to the office of Attorney General. Bob will continue to use the law as a powerful tool for justice and fairness for all Washingtonians.

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**Joshua B. Trumbull**  
(Prefers Libertarian Party)

**Elected Experience:** Absolutely no political experience.

**Other Professional Experience:** I grew up working at my dad's auto body shop and my grandma's autoparts store in Snohomish. During college, I worked in house painting, banking, and real estate. Importantly, I have had the privilege of helping people in my law practice.

**Education:** Snohomish High School, Snohomish, WA. 2000; University of Washington, B.A Business Administration & Management, 2004; Seattle University, Albers School of Business and Economics, M.B.A, 2005; Gonzaga University School of Law, 2008.

**Community Service:** Lake Stevens Youth Soccer. I provide a significant amount of reduced fee legal work to community members.

**Statement:** In 1800, John Adams wrote, "There is nothing which I dread so much as a division of the republic into two great parties, each arranged under its leader, and concerting measures in opposition to each other. This, in my humble apprehension, is to be dreaded as the greatest political evil under our constitution." History shows other founders including Alexander Hamilton, George Washington, and Thomas Jefferson shared Adam's concern. Perilously, this wisdom has yet to be integrated into our society.

I chose to run for Attorney General because the Office has become politicized to the detriment of the people. Like our founders, I believe collaborative problem solving requires more than two parties. We suffer when we divide ourselves into opposing parties and attempt to rule others by majority.

If elected, I will continue working to protect Washington Citizens from those that would deprive us of life, liberty, or property.

Thank you for strengthening our society by taking your time and energy to discuss important issues with those around you before you cast your vote. The process of discussion is what bonds us together. The time to vote from your heart, instead of according to party, is now.

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**Hilary Franz**  
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** Bainbridge Island City Council; served on Puget Sound Transportation Futures Taskforce; Puget Sound Regional Council Growth Management and Economic Development Boards; Puget Sound Salmon Recovery Council; Kitsap Regional Coordinating Council; appointed to Governor Gregoire's Climate Action Team.

**Other Professional Experience:** Executive Director, Futurewise 2011-present, crafting solutions to complex land use and natural resource issues statewide; Attorney, representing communities, local government, and non-profits on critical cases involving agriculture, forest, fish and wildlife, and waterways.

**Education:** JD, Northeastern University; BA, Smith College

**Community Service:** Former board member of Washington Environmental Council and Conservation Northwest. Active in the education of three teenage sons!

**Statement:** How we manage and protect Washington's public lands and waterways shape how we adapt to climate change, protect our water and food sources, and safeguard our timber, shellfish, and agricultural economies. Our next Commissioner must be a conservation steward, partner for rural economies, and advocate for clean energy jobs.

I have a lifelong connection to Washington's people and places. My grandparents came to the Nisqually Valley in the Great Depression to start a cattle farm, which remains in our family today. For two decades I've worked with businesses and communities large and small to protect landscapes and local jobs, crafting lasting solutions.

With your vote, I'll work to *restore healthy forests*— implementing wildfire prevention plans and ending dangerous steep slope logging. I'll *promote clean energy jobs*— implementing a renewable energy plan on public lands that creates job growth, curbs carbon pollution, and reduces impacts on vulnerable communities. I'll *protect our working farmlands and forests* from development pressures— enhancing opportunities for farmers, forestry, and recreation.

Proudly endorsed by Washington Conservation Voters; King County Democrats; King County Executive Dow Constantine; former Executive Ron Sims; Earth Day founder Denis Hayes; state and local business, community, and government leaders statewide!

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**Mary Verner**  
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** As Mayor of Spokane, established river clean-up and renewable energy business collaborative. Elected City Council and Precinct Committee Officer.

**Other Professional Experience:** Enforcement officer for Virgin Islands Natural Resources. Leader of Native American Natural Resources organizations restoring salmon, managing forests for habitats and jobs. Executive of environmental restoration and renewable energy businesses.

**Education:** Bachelor's Davidson College, Master's Yale Forestry & Environmental Studies, Juris Doctor Gonzaga University

**Community Service:** Mary has devoted her life to public service and volunteering on boards and committees, community and church activities, emergency response and rescue, and teen outdoor learning.

**Statement:** I ask for your vote to be Commissioner of Public Lands because I have the passion, background and experience to protect Washington's forests, farms, ranches, aquatic lands and open spaces. As a hands-on natural resources leader, I've facilitated salmon restoration, enforced responsible clean-up by polluters, and grown forestry jobs in resource-dependent regions. As an emergency response official, I am actively working with local communities to improve the way we prevent and respond more effectively to wildfires.

The Commissioner is responsible for millions of dollars of timber and lease income, public funds, and landowner fees. A hardworking taxpayer myself, I understand how important it is to be very careful with the public's trust.

Our state faces major economic and environmental challenges, with sweeping implications of climate change. As a collaborative leader, I value input from employees and stakeholders to inform smart decisions based on science and facts.

My previous experience leading large complex organizations demonstrated that I break down barriers to achieve good outcomes. I've reduced costs while maintaining jobs, and conserved resources while conserving revenue. I am a pragmatic and proven leader who will wisely manage public lands for *all* of us.

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**Steven M. Nielson**  
(Prefers Libertarian Party)

**Elected Experience:** Chairman, Libertarian Party of Washington (2015); Secretary, Libertarian Party of Washington (2014); Precinct Committee Officer (2010); Secretary, Douglas County Republicans (2006)

**Other Professional Experience:** Quality Engineer / Manager - advanced aerospace composites for military satellites & air/spaceflight; process improvement specialist; auditor; children's author; Christmas tree farmer

**Education:** Bachelor of Science, University of Washington Dept. of Aeronautics and Astronautics Engineering; Leadership Program of the Rockies; Enumclaw High School Alumni

**Community Service:** Parks Commission Chairman & Civil Service Chairman, City of Orting; Audubon Society volunteer; education outreach via AVID program; worksite coordinator for American Heart Association

**Statement:** The issues facing this office cross party lines. Decades of poor forest management have threatened the livelihood of thousands of families, diminished access to quality education, and jeopardized our land, water, air, and wildlife. As an avid outdoorsman and father of three I understand the urgent need to restore the balance between the environment and the economy, ensuring lasting resources for future generations. I believe Washington needs a leader with vision and the courage to act responsibly.

My first priority will be a forest triage, mounting a cooperative effort to thin areas of dead and unhealthy forest. This preventive maintenance reduces fire hazards, provides job opportunities for struggling families, and will secure valuable resources for our state's education system.

I will work to remove restrictions and prohibitions, opening Washington State workers to the future of green economic opportunity and innovation in the world's industrial hemp markets, renewable energy sectors, and urban agriculture and forestry. Private stakeholders from farmers to fishermen will play a vital role in enacting an effective resource plan.

Working families in Washington deserve the freedom to provide and the opportunity to thrive. You can help by casting your vote for *active resource management* in Washington State.

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**Dave Upthegrove**

(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** King County Councilmember 2013 – Present; State Representative (33rd District) 2001 - 2013; Chair, House Environment Committee; Chair, House Select Committee on Puget Sound.

**Other Professional Experience:** Senior Legislative Assistant, Washington State Senate; Basketball Referee, Pacific NW Basketball Officials Association.

**Education:** B.A. Environmental Conservation (Biology minor), University of Colorado at Boulder; Graduate Certificate in Energy Policy Planning, University of Idaho.

**Community Service:** Scoutmaster; Program Director, Camp Parsons BSA; Matt Griffin YMCA Board Member; Governor's Climate Action Team; Highline Citizens for Schools (school bond campaign); Sponsor, Washington Voting Rights Act; Sponsor, Marriage Equality Legislation; Humane Society Legislative Leadership Award; NW Marine Trade Association Legislator of the Year.

**Statement:** It's a critical time for our environment with the threat of climate change, wildfires, droughts and the need to reduce dependence on fossil fuels. Washington's Commissioner of Public Lands must be an environmental champion. Endorsed by the Washington Conservation Voters, I'll be that champion.

I've worked my entire career combatting climate change, supporting responsible conservation and reducing environmental impacts in diverse communities. My experience as House Environment Committee Chair prepared me to manage public lands to protect wildlife habitat and clean water, while harvesting timber to support public schools. My commitment to wildfire prevention has earned me the sole endorsement of the State Council of Firefighters.

I oppose leasing state lands to facilitate fossil fuel production. I'll respect tribal rights and create jobs by investing in renewable energy, not building coal terminals. My husband and I are committed to a healthy environment for the next generation. I ask for your vote.

Endorsed: Governor Chris Gregoire, U.S. Representative Adam Smith, King County Executive Dow Constantine, Pierce County Executive Pat McCarthy, Washington State Labor Council, Washington Federation of State Employees, over 40 Legislators statewide. Spokane County Democrats, King County Young Democrats, and Democratic Districts 33, 34, 36, 37, 39 and 46.

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4-year term

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**Karen Porterfield**  
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** No elected experience.

**Other Professional Experience:** Principal, Meta Management Group. Associate Dean, Seattle University College of Art and Science. Vice President, United Way of King County. Director of Development, Salvation Army.

**Education:** BA - Political Science, Western Washington University. Master of Public Administration, Seattle University. Executive Certification - Economic and Community Development, University of Maryland.

**Community Service:** Bellevue College Foundation Board - Board Vice President. Teens in Public Service Board - Board Member. Talus HOA Board - Board Member. Belltown Food Bank - Volunteer Executive Director.

**Statement:** The Commissioner of Public Lands is the executive responsible for leading the State Department of Natural Resources (DNR). This is a role for a proven executive, not another politician. DNR's mission is more than just protecting trees. It's about utilizing our public lands to generate revenue to support our schools, colleges, and our economy.

For too long, a succession of professional politicians has mismanaged the agency. Poorly maintained forests and rangelands have left us fighting massive wildfires, caused loss of lives in places such as Oso and Twisp, and generated costly lawsuits against the State - costing us, the taxpayers, millions of dollars.

As your Commissioner, I will balance the need for preserving our environment while generating revenue for our schools. We can meet our commitments to schools, colleges, and the environment, but only if DNR changes how it does business.

It's time that we take a business approach to our public lands - not a political one. I have a vision, a plan, and the executive experience to lead and bring fundamental change to how the DNR operates. We need a proven executive leadership for this executive position. Thank you for your support.

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**Steve McLaughlin**  
(Prefers Republican Party)

**Elected Experience:** None

**Other Professional Experience:** Commander, U.S. Navy (retired) I honorably served 25 years; Incident Command System Instructor (10 years) I've trained nearly 1000 firefighters and public safety personnel in incident management; Security Systems Program Manager (10 years);

**Education:** B.S. University of Oregon Health and Biology; PSC Royal Naval College; M.A. (with distinction) U.S. Naval War College

**Community Service:** Rotary Club of Wenatchee; Liberty Disaster Relief Services (Executive Director) Navy League of the United States; American Alpine Club (10 years); Relief and reconstruction drives for victims of Oso landslide and Eastern WA fires. Chairman, Operation Steadfast Veteran's Suicide Prevention;

**Statement:** Washington suffered catastrophic, record setting wildfire seasons. Too many communities have been disrupted and lives, homes, livestock, forests and wildlife were needlessly lost. Providing disaster relief in communities affected by the Eastern WA fires, and Oso landslide, I realized my experience as a retired Naval Officer and incident command instructor could serve the citizens of Washington State. We need to empower our communities in preparedness, work collaboratively to create an integrated strategy among jurisdictions, and use common sense deploying local resources to reduce the risk of repeating the catastrophic fires of the past.

Careful management of our state's 3 million acres of trust lands, and revenue that our forests, farms, and waters provide for school construction is an important constitutional mandate. More than half of DNR land is permanently conserved for protecting endangered species, salmon habitat and recreation. The remaining working forests must provide a steady stream of revenue for our schools and protect jobs in rural communities.

The Department of Natural Resources needs positive leadership. I will draw upon my years of executive leadership of large, diverse organizations and lead DNR as a "servant leader." The staff of DNR and the citizens of Washington deserve the best.

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**John Stillings**  
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** John served for ten years as U.S. Olympians and Paralympians Washington Chapter President. He also served as St. Vincent dePaul Society Council of Seattle/King County President

**Other Professional Experience:** He has been a General Contractor for 32 years in Washington. John won an Olympic Silver Medal 1984, is married to Olympic Gold medalist Betsy Beard Stillings and is the parent of two sons

**Education:** B. A. Mathematics, University of Washington: B. A. Philosophy, University of Washington

**Community Service:** Volunteer for St. Vincent dePaul Society, Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, Olympians for Olympians Relief Fund and U. S. Olympians and Paralympians Association

**Statement:** We share borders with two states, another country and an ocean and we owe sustainability to the lands we steward. Our public trust lands are the endowment for our children and future generations. Funding locally, nationally and globally to preserve this resource has been woefully inadequate.

The DNR is the largest firefighting agency in the state and we need to do so much more to protect our forestland. The immediacy of interagency response to wildfires is imperative. Funding to reduce wildfire fuel loads is inadequate. Sequestering carbon in our living forests and our building industry works. 13-50% of our statewide carbon emissions from wildfire does not work.

Rising sea level is a real and present threat to our tidelands. John offers a voice for global action on the issue of climate change and comprehensive accountability.

John has a demonstrated ability to lead. He will advocate for all of us demanding accountability from all the titleholders of our trust lands. All hands on deck. We are all in together

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**John Patterson Blair**

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

**Other Professional Experience:** High School Science Teacher 1969-77; Developed and taught a high school special education to mainstream science transition curriculum 1970-72; Teachers (NEA) negotiator 1970-72; A founding and participating teacher (science), Cinnaminson (NJ) Alternative High School for 170+ 10th-12th grade students who wanted to take responsibility for their own education 1972-76; Candidate for Superintendent of Public Instruction 2004,8,12, average 75,000 votes, 7% statewide.

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

**Community Service:** A founding and participating parent, Vashon (WA) Parent Involvement Program, Alternative Elementary School (40 students) 1983-90

**Statement:** This Is A Referendum: Every child is unique and families should have the opportunity to individualize their own children's public education.

I propose A New Foundation for Public Education, (of which existing public schools would be an unchanged part), consisting of:

*Individual Student Trust Accounts* – funded annually using each student's existing \$10,000+ state education voucher. With approval, each student's parents may spend these accumulating funds at any Registered Public Education Program(s) of their choice. *Registered Public Education Programs* – defined as, any educational program, regardless of ownership, which: Accepts only trust funds as tuition, i.e. "free"; Fills at least 80% of its openings without admission qualification, i.e. "open enrollment"; Permits the study, but not the practice, of religion; And publishes measurable educational and behavioral goals for its students. Students not achieving these goals may be dismissed by the program. *Neighborhood Education Districts* – administered by three locally elected trustees, will oversee the educational progress of 50 to 200 participating neighborhood students. The trustees must approve parental education choices for students passing applicable "WASL" tests. *Community Facility Districts* – locally elected, will own, operate and maintain all public facilities. Life-cycle maintenance funds will be included in the original bond funding.

Interested? Vote for me.

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**Chris Reykdal**

**Elected Experience:** Tumwater School Board; Washington State House of Representatives - Vice Chair of the House Education Committee; Higher Education Committee; Finance Committee; Formerly served on the Education Appropriations Committee.

**Other Professional Experience:** Classroom teacher (James Madison Teaching Fellowship Finalist); Education Budget and Finance Executive, State Board for Community and Technical Colleges.

**Education:** Baccalaureate Degree in Social Studies and a Washington State Teaching Certificate, Washington State University; Masters Degree in Public Administration with an emphasis on budget, finance, and performance management, University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill.

**Community Service:** Parent volunteer in schools, coach, former planning commissioner, and non-profit fundraiser.

**Statement:** Every child deserves a high quality education! I'm Chris Reykdal, and I'd like to earn your vote to be our State's next Superintendent of Schools. I've dedicated my 20 year career as an educator and education finance executive to helping students achieve their dreams. The next Superintendent must be an education policy and budget leader to ensure local control, effective results, and accountability of your tax dollars!

We must do three things to ensure opportunity for all kids: 1) Equitably fund our schools! It's time to build bipartisan support for school funding while reducing our dependence on exceedingly high local property taxes. A child's education should never depend on the wealth of their neighborhood; 2) Reduce excessive standardized testing so teachers have time to engage students and support their individual needs; 3) Return high quality career and technical education programs to our schools. To improve graduation rates, students need career pathways they are passionate about!

I will be the first Superintendent in 30 years to actually have kids in public school during my service. I will work hard to ensure that *all* kids, teachers, support staff, and parents are fully supported in our schools. Thank you for your consideration.

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**Ron Higgins**

**Elected Experience:** Placed second in 2012 OSPI election

**Other Professional Experience:** Certificated Math Teacher in Washington and California; Substitute taught all grades, pre-K through 12th; nearly all subjects, including bi-lingual and special education, in dozens of Washington schools, including juvenile justice center; taught in public and charter schools in inner city Los Angeles. School bus driver; Marine Corps helicopter pilot in Vietnam, training officer, retired reserve Lieutenant Colonel; instructor/examiner for Naval and civilian reactor operators

**Education:** Two MS degrees, one in Chemical Engineering from the University of Washington

**Community Service:** Boy Scout leader; Youth Soccer Referee; Blood Platelet Donor; Union Gospel Mission volunteer; dedicated recycler

**Statement:** Schools should produce men and women skilled in communication, computation, and civics, so they become contributing citizens in our Constitutional Republic, knowledgeable of the principles of liberty upon which our country is based; people who know how to learn, since schooling ends, but learning never should; people who think for themselves, while being able to work well with others; people who have the courage to stand by the truth, even when unpopular.

I plan to: protect the health, safety, and Constitutional rights of students; connect students to the principles of liberty in the Declaration of Independence and US Constitution; promote sobriety and healthy lifestyles; protect personnel from violence; affirm the authority of parents over the education of their children; treat *boys* as *boys* and *girls* as *girls*; affirm educators' rights to voluntarily join, or *not* join, unions; establish a path to graduation for students not planning on college; reduce teachers' administrative burdens; enhance teachers' career flexibility; and maintain high literary standards.

I oppose: mandatory vaccinations; federal involvement in education; and government-controlled early childhood education.

I support: parental right to homeschool; the concept of charter schools; and local control of education. I believe in Common Sense, *not* Common Core!

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**Grazyna Prouty**

**Elected Experience:** Political experience profound: links practice of legal industry dismissing laws, standards, and evidence in relation to education, rights of teachers, citizens

**Other Professional Experience:** Early Childhood Education (8 years) , K-12 (elementary, junior high, high school certified teacher with six endorsements including English, Early Childhood Education, teaching ESL (ELL), Bilingual; College Instructor Proficient: English, Polish, Russian ( speaking, writing, reading), familiarity: Latin, German, French, Spanish

**Education:** MBA (Master of Business Administration), Global Management, City University of Seattle; the second Master's degree in English Philology: English, American Literature, Linguistics - Phonetics, Phonology, Education

**Community Service:** Volunteering, open letters, testimonies.

**Statement:** Grazyna credits Polish family (grandparents' twelve children: eight plus four) and Polish teachers for teaching decency, honor, humility, resilience. Gratitude goes to professors at the City University of Seattle MBA Program: for transformations as dark side of leadership surface: ability to identify systems that lack quality, accountability, transparent budgets (participated: W. Edwards Deming's red bead experiment, there).

Grazyna's experience and research of planned agendas, the latest *Agenda 21*: Bankrupting America into Utopia: One City at a Time, Alexandra Swann, Rosa Koire; John Taylor Gatto: "Ultimate History Lesson of American Education " that theme across with works of Beverly Eakman "Cloning American Mind. Eradicating Morality through Education," Charlotte Iserbyt "How We Got Here," "ABCs of Dumbed Down".

Grazyna communicated 'voluntary' (mandated) *Agenda 21* through Open Letters to schools, cities as they implement it with contempt for public, "Common Core: Based on Agenda 21, UNESCO Standards."

Grazyna is against charter schools (unelected boards), Academic Child Abuse (Engelman), Blumenfeld: NEA, standardized testing: examine Candice Bernd: Morna McDermott's Flow Chart matching *stop Agenda 21* - Tom DeWeese. Public 'homework' results in awareness on developed 'pipelines' that require push-back as multi-faceted endeavors connect both broad research and experience Grazyna has and 'official language' ('Amtssprache).'

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**Robin Fleming**

**Elected Experience:** First time candidate

**Other Professional Experience:** For 13 years, Fleming served the state's most vulnerable children as a school nurse; created innovative programs and curricula for immigrant and low-income students; and published award-winning research on academic and health disparities. At OSPI, Fleming leads statewide school health services, initiating integration of education and health systems to produce powerful educational results for students. Fleming serves on faculty at the University of Washington.

**Education:** PhD, Educational Leadership and Policy, University of Washington

**Community Service:** Boards: Hilltop Preschool; John Hay Elementary. Award from Economic Opportunity Institute for helping pass Seattle's sick and safe leave law.

**Statement:** A native Washingtonian, I was raised by a single mother who worked three jobs to make ends meet. My older brother had Down Syndrome and was institutionalized at the age of 5. This inspired me to become a school nurse, educator and policy advisor.

As Superintendent of Public Instruction, I will fully and equitably fund all schools; ensure that students receive needed supports to improve attendance and achievement; invest in early learning; and improve working conditions and pay for teachers. I have a consistent record of achieving successes in challenging circumstances -- and I will repeat that in this position. Our children's futures -- and Washington's economy -- depend upon it.

It's time to elect people who have worked extensively in our schools -- instead of politicians -- to oversee our school system. If you're happy with public schools, you will get more of the same by voting for a candidate with a political agenda. My only agenda is to improve the life opportunities for all of our state's children -- and I am the only candidate with the qualifications and experience to make that happen. A vote for me is a vote for our children, and for our state's future.

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**Al Runte**

**Elected Experience:** No information submitted

**Other Professional Experience:** Not a politician, Dr. Al Runte is a nationally recognized educator, historian and author who would lead reform of our public schools. An environmental historian, Dr. Runte was prominently featured in Ken Burns's popular PBS TV series on national parks. He's authored five books including: *National Parks: The American Experience* and is: former University of Washington Assistant Professor of History; former Assistant Director of Environmental Studies, Baylor University; former Director: National Parks Conservation Association and National Association of Railroad Passengers

**Education:** B.A. Binghamton University; M.A. Illinois State University; Ph.D. University of California, Santa Barbara

**Community Service:** Member, Seattle Neighborhood Coalition

**Statement:** My roots come from a family deeply committed to education. My mother had a 23-year career with New York's public schools, and in retirement served on her local school board. My brother taught middle school math for 10 years. I began my education career teaching high school history. My university courses at UW were highly rated by students. Why? Teaching is all about holding students' interest in learning challenging subject matter.

Smaller class sizes are nice. What is taught and learned inside the classroom is more important. National-test-driven schools cannot possibly recognize that every child, teacher, state and community is different.

It is unacceptable that children today, due to faulty curriculums and inadequately compensated teachers, are not getting the basic education they deserve. As Superintendent I would place increased emphasis on providing quality classroom teaching and eliminate excessive bureaucratic rules that only hinder good teaching.

Needed reform is long overdue. All students have a right to an excellent education. That means having the opportunity to learn to read, write and be proficient in basic math, science and civics (yes, including American history). Everyone should look back at their schooling as contributing to their success in life.

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**Erin Jones**

**Elected Experience:** Erin Jones is a state and national award winning teacher and district/state administrator. She has never sought elected office.

**Other Professional Experience:** AVID District Director, Tacoma Public Schools; Director of Equity, Federal Way Public Schools; Assistant Superintendent of Student Achievement and Director, OSPI; Instructional Coach, Spokane Public Schools; Substitute and Classroom Teacher, Tacoma; Teacher, South Bend, IN.

**Education:** BA, Bryn Mawr College; Teaching Certificate, PLU.

**Community Service:** Youth ministry leader, 1993-2006, YoungLife leader, 2006-2008. Board member; Girl Scouts of Western Washington, College Spark, Recruiting Washington Teachers, Center for the Strengthening of Teaching Profession, Washington Alliance of Black School Educators.

**Statement:** Every Washington child deserves a great education, regardless of where they live, their household income or the color of their skin. A child's zip code must no longer be the greatest predictor of their educational success and future income.

I am the only candidate for OSPI who has dedicated a career to educating students, closing opportunity gaps and improving outcomes. I have worked as a classroom teacher on both sides of the Cascades, an Assistant Superintendent at OSPI, and an administrator in districts with high-poverty and diverse populations.

I am not a politician but an educator and parent of recent public school graduates, convinced we need leadership in Olympia dedicated to helping students succeed, not a political agenda. With your vote, I will apply my passion and experience to demand legislators drop excuses and fully fund our schools, work to replace punitive testing with fair assessment tools, close opportunity gaps wherever they exist, and expand public school options and excellence statewide.

My vision and unmatched commitment is endorsed by King and Snohomish County Democrats, classroom teachers, school board members, principals and administrators statewide, a bipartisan coalition of current and former legislators, PTA leaders, students and parents across Washington!

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**KumRoon (Mr. Mak) Maksirisombat**

**Elected Experience:** I'm looking forward to representing Washington State.

**Other Professional Experience:** Teacher: English as a Second Language, Special Education, Math, Science, Chinese, Thai; Counselor; School Administrator Adjunct Professor at Seattle Pacific University; Professional Educational Advisory Board at City University; Professor South Seattle Community College US Government Selective Service Board Member; Boeing Manufacturing and Technology Intern; City of Seattle Health and Nutrition Project Site Coordinator; Yale University Leadership and Development Training

**Education:** B.S. Business and Sociology, M.S. Special Education and Counseling: Montana State University. PhD. International Business, Warren National University.

**Community Service:** 19 year volunteer: Fernwood at the Park / Normandy Park Senior Living.

**Statement:** Every student in Washington State deserves the opportunity to succeed. In fact, we voters consistently show we believe this by passing initiatives to increase school funding. Having served in public schools for over 30 years holding many different positions, earning a distinguished educator among other awards, this is the least funding I have seen actually reach the students during my tenure. We are failing our students.

I see large amounts of administrative waste. I see students who have the capability to achieve smothered by inefficiency and lack of passion for the learning experience. Teachers and Instructional Assistants do not have the support they need to be motivated, creative members of the educational workforce. Instead, they are buried under paperwork.

Who you voters elect to this position next will determine if we can make the necessary changes to assure that all state school programs work together to reinstate what has been a lost focus of our schools: to create world class citizens.

Under my leadership, the OSPI office will work to improve graduation rate, increase vocational education, find and eliminate waste, and hold funding spenders accountable for student experience and outcomes.

I ask for your support in this crucial time.

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**David Spring**

**Elected Experience:** 5th LD Representative to the King County Legislative Action Committee.

**Other Professional Experience:** Instructor, Bellevue College, Researcher, University of Washington, Author, *Weapons of Mass Deception*, a book exposing the corporate takeover of our public schools.

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

**Community Service:** As Director of the Coalition to Protect our Public Schools, I've spent the past 8 years advocating for school funding in Olympia. I wrote the only bill which would have fully funded our schools - Senate Bill 6093. I am also a leader of Opt Out Washington, an organization opposed to the draconian SBAC test.

**Statement:** Our children are forced to endure some of the lowest funded, most overcrowded schools in the nation. Severely overcrowded classrooms prevent struggling students from getting the help they need. Precious tax dollars that should go toward schools have instead been diverted, by our corporate dominated legislature, into *billions in tax breaks* for wealthy multinational corporations. Our legislature gives away four dollars in tax breaks for every dollar they invest in our schools.

Olympia politicians keep kicking the can down the road by forming more fake education funding committees. It is time to recognize that *politicians in Olympia are never going to fund our schools.*

I am running for Superintendent to end this corrupt corporate welfare scheme by going around the legislature and directly to our Supreme Court asking them to repeal illegal tax breaks in order to immediately restore school funding - so we can reduce class sizes so struggling students can finally get the help they need to succeed.

I am the only candidate for Superintendent with a real plan to fully fund our schools, provide students with free higher education, end toxic high stakes tests and clean up corruption in Olympia. Please visit our website for more information!

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Insurance Commissioner Washington State

4-year term

Statewide



**Mike Kreidler**  
(Prefers Democratic Party)

**Elected Experience:** Served as Insurance Commissioner since 2001. Also served as a North Thurston School Board member, State Representative and Senator for the 22nd Legislative District and U.S. Representative for the 9th Congressional District.

**Other Professional Experience:** Worked as an optometrist for 20 years; small-business owner; served as Director, Region 10, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

**Education:** Bachelor's degree and Doctor of Optometry degree from Pacific University; master's degree in Public Health from UCLA.

**Community Service:** Retired U.S. Army Reserve lieutenant colonel with 20 years of service. Active member of a number of community service organizations.

**Statement:** Mike Kreidler is a strong and independent voice willing to stand up to powerful industry interests as an advocate for insurance consumers. In his first four terms as insurance commissioner, Mike Kreidler saved consumers in our state over \$300 million in auto and homeowners' insurance by cutting excessive premium rates. His consumer protection staff has helped thousands of Washingtonians with insurance problems, recovering over \$160 million in wrongfully delayed or denied claims.

The people of our state deserve quality, affordable health insurance. Mike Kreidler has worked tirelessly to make sure that insurance companies can no longer deny coverage. He is proposing legislation to stop patients from receiving surprise bills resulting from emergency medical services. He will continue working with community, business and legislative leaders to further improve access to affordable health care and reduce the number of uninsured in our state.

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

Please join them by electing Mike Kreidler to another term as your Insurance Commissioner.

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**Justin Murta**  
(Prefers Libertarian Party)

**Elected Experience:** None

**Other Professional Experience:** Currently the Account Manager, Benefits West; Owner of Button Pushers Entertainment; Murta Services and Red Pill Records; former teacher at Sunderland University; Account Executive at Benefits West; Sales Coordinator at Health Care Management Administrators and Regence Group Administrators; United States Marine Corps veteran.

**Education:** Graduate East Lake High School, Sammamish, WA. Graduate of the University of Missouri's HSSMTI, Attended Bellevue College and Sunderland University.

**Community Service:** Toys for Tots, Saigon Children's Charity, Stop the Traffic and Walk for Life (2015)

**Statement:** I have always been an advocate for reform and equity in the Insurance Industry. I have worked in the insurance industry both as an agent and as an employee benefit consultant. I have sadly witnessed a decline in the health and welfare of our state's citizens. Washington is in the lowest percentile for all 50 states in terms of performance, affordability and coverage opportunities caused in most part by political infighting, workers' comp issues, excessive rate regulation, and underwriting restrictions.

The Affordable Care Act has done nothing to address the aging population or the growing dilemma of provider shortages. Rather, it has forced many into the Social Security Benefits earlier and is siphoning funds away from our Seniors and Veterans. I want to reform our current system. I want the increased benefits and reduced rates that market choices will bring us, as well as the freedom to choose our own health insurance.

I want to combat the evils of Tort Law, the excessive spending on defunct government programs and stop corrupt crony political practices from killing our State's insurance options. I want to provide honest hardworking citizens with affordable insurance coverage. Help me bring sanity to our insurance market.

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**Richard Schrock**  
(Prefers Republican Party)

**Elected Experience:** Richard Schrock is serving his second term as Commissioner of Snohomish County Fire District No. 1, one of state's largest regional fire departments.

**Other Professional Experience:** Richard Schrock served four years as Director, Washington State Department of Commerce (under Governor John Spellman). He successfully led state efforts to grow international trade, promote tourism, and attract new businesses to Washington creating thousands of new jobs. Professional communications consultant who advises businesses, government agencies and non-profits.

**Education:** St. Martins College, Political Science

**Community Service:** Board member, Snohomish County Emergency Radio System (SERS). Founding Board Member of the Lake Stickney Conservancy and Sno-King Watershed Council

**Statement:** Paying too much for insurance? Do you want four more years of the same 16-year policy direction that governs the state agency that regulates insurance companies?

Washington's health insurance rates are proposed to rise another 19% next year. Richard Schrock, as Washington's next Insurance Commissioner, will fight unjustified premium increases, hold down deductibles and limit co-pays.

In 2013, highly respected Seattle Children's Hospital waged a successful legal battle with the Insurance Commissioner's Office *and* three major insurers. Children's, the region's premier pediatric hospital, took legal action to get their insured child patients covered by *Commissioner-approved* insurance plans that had excluded Children's from service provider networks. In 2014, newspapers reported that a whistleblower compliant revealed scandalous conduct within the Office of the Insurance Commissioner involving "major systemic problems". Our state's largest newspaper subsequently called for "major reforms" that have not happened.

Obviously, policy changes are long overdue to broaden access to affordable coverage. If elected Commissioner, Richard Schrock will institute reforms that prevent powerful special interests from influencing agency decisions, vigorously enforce consumer protection laws, and mandate expanding healthcare service- provider networks. Future appeals of Commissioner decisions must be fairly and *transparently* decided by *independent, impartial* judges.

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Justice Position 5 Supreme Court

6-year term      Statewide



**Barbara Madsen**

**Legal/Judicial Experience:** Justice, Supreme Court (1992-present); Chief Justice, (2009-present); Judge, Seattle Municipal Court (1988-1992); Presiding Judge (1990-1992); Commissioner, Seattle Municipal Court (1986-1988). Special Prosecutor, Seattle City Attorney (1981-1986); Attorney, Snohomish Public Defender (1979-1981); Attorney, Associated Counsel for the Accused (1977-1979); Intern, Spokane County Legal Services (1975-1976); University Legal Assistance (1976-1977).

**Other Professional Experience:** Production staff, Northwest Catholic Newspaper.

**Education:** B.A. U.W.; J.D. Gonzaga..

**Community Service:** Barbara and Don raised four children in Pierce County. She has volunteered with Judges in the Classroom, U.S. Navy Sea Cadets, Tacoma Rescue Mission, and YMCA Youth in Government.

**Statement:** Chief Justice Barbara Madsen has the experience, leadership, and courage necessary to protect the liberties guaranteed all citizens. Whether it's school funding or a neighborhood dispute, Barbara believes everyone is equal under the law.

**Balanced Experience:** A 1977 Gonzaga Law School graduate, Barbara has practiced in Eastern and Western Washington and has served as both a defense attorney and prosecutor. To help protect our most vulnerable, as Special Prosecutor she developed Seattle's Family Violence Project child abuse unit. A working mother and proud grandmother, Barbara has a balanced, common sense perspective on issues profoundly affecting people's lives.

**Proven Leadership:** After joining the Supreme Court, Barbara helped establish the Access to Justice Board and Commissions on Minority and Justice, Gender and Justice, Interpreter Services, and Children in Foster Care. Her endorsements include Democrats, Republicans, business, labor, and community groups--proof of her commitment to individual rights and holding the judicial system accountable to all.

**Courage:** We need the strong, honest, and compassionate voice of Chief Justice Madsen requiring the state meet its paramount duty to educate our children, leading access to justice initiatives, and breaking down barriers to re-entry after incarceration. She will protect our most precious liberties.

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**Greg Zempel**

**Legal/Judicial Experience:** Greg Zempel is in his sixth term as Kittitas County Prosecutor. Greg has handled nearly every type of criminal prosecution, from shoplifting to murder. He serves as the head of the county's civil division, advising the county on complex legal issues.

**Other Professional Experience:** Past President, Washington Association of County Officials.

**Education:** BA, University of Washington; Juris Doctor, University of Puget Sound. Proud graduate of Roosevelt High School in Seattle.

**Community Service:** Greg helped create the Sexual Assault Interagency Coalition, and "Protecting Our Children", a group that educates parents on the risks of sexual predators. He has coached youth soccer and baseball.

**Statement:** *Greg Zempel is a leader in law enforcement and local government – experience the people of Washington need on our state Supreme Court.* For more than twenty years, Zempel has kept the people of Kittitas County safe as their County Prosecutor. He has the support of Judges, Prosecutors, state legislators and both Democrats and Republicans to become our next Supreme Court Justice.

*We all know our state Supreme Court has become too political. Law enforcement knows that the court is also too unpredictable, often changing the rules that prosecutors rely on to fairly and effectively fight crime. Zempel promises a court that is "less political, more predictable."*

The court has no one with major criminal prosecution experience – a serious omission because criminal law makes up a majority of the court's cases. Adding a prosecutor to the court will make our state safer. The court has only one member from eastern Washington, and no one with county government experience. *Electing Greg Zempel to the court will add much needed diversity to a court that simply doesn't reflect our state.*

Greg and his wife Dawn have four children. The family enjoys hiking and many other outdoor activities.

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**(Zamboni) John Scannell**

**Legal/Judicial Experience:** 1. Filed the first lawsuit by a tenant union under state landlord tenant act. 2. Blocked the building of one stadium by challenging its public financing, and also challenged Safeco field to US Supreme court. 3. Won large settlements for demonstrators who were tear gassed and hit with rubber bullets during WTO demonstrations. 4. Represented workers unemployment benefits and wage claims. 5. Represented drivers on speeding and red light tickets. 6. Called the "bureaucrat's nightmare" by Seattle Times for filing class action lawsuit on behalf of intermittent workers, which won millions of dollars for City of Seattle employees.

**Other Professional Experience:** No information submitted

**Education:** No information submitted

**Community Service:** No information submitted

**Statement:** I have been one of the few attorneys in the state that has actively been supporting the American Bar Association's criticism of the Washington attorney disciplinary system. The Washington State Supreme Court is in charge of the system, but the court has come under sharp criticism for 40 years for its practice of delegating its responsibility to the Washington State Bar Association. The ABA rightly likens this to the practice of putting the fox in charge of the henhouse, with Washington being one of the few states that continue the practice. The practice of putting a politically elected bar leadership in charge of attorney discipline is a direct conflict of interest that has resulted in low charging rates, undeserved discipline against attorneys who represent unpopular clients, as well as increased discipline directed to minority attorneys.

I will base my campaign on the issue that I will protect the rights of Washington citizens with decisions that are intelligent, just and ethical.

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