Get Out the Vote!

Our founding fathers believed that the success of American democracy depended upon the development of an educated citizenry that would vote wisely to protect its rights and freedoms. Ideally, we would all have the ability to thoroughly research each candidate and ballot measure, but we sometimes have time constraints that prevent us from doing that. For just such situations, I’ve created the following endorsement summary. (Candidates with no funds or endorsements are filtered.)

**Ballot Measures**

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| Prop-1 | Children and Family Services Center Capitol Levy |
| APPROVE | **Seattle Times**, **The Stranger**, Municipal League of King County, KC Dems, KCC Reagan Dunn |
| REJECT | None found |

**Candidate Endorsements**

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| US Senate  | Raised | Endorsements | | |
| Michael Baumgartner (R) | $690K | **Seattle Times**, **Tacoma News Tribune**, AG McKenna, Slade Gorton, Sam Reed, 12 GOP state senators | | |
| Art Coday (R) | $54K | Clint Didier, James Watkins, Ty Costa, Dan Kennedy, Rick Forcier, David Baker, Dan Griffey | | |
| Maria Cantwell (D)\* | $8.0M | **Seattle Times**, **The Stranger**, **Tacoma News Tribune**, WA Dems, KC Dems, 5th LD Dems, Sierra Club, NOW, Women’s Political Caucus, WA Labor Council, SEUI, Planned Parenthood | | |
| US House  | **Raised** | **Endorsements** | | |
| Dave Reichert (R)\* | $1.3M | **Seattle Times**, **Tacoma News Tribune**, WSRP, KC GOP, WA Patrol Troopers, KC Police Officer’s Guild, WACOPS, WA Firefighters, Farm Bureau, Realtors, NEA, WEA, US Chamber, ConservAmerica | | |
| Keith Swank (R) | $22K | Independent Conservative Voters, Central Washington University Young Republicans | | |
| James Windle (I) | $28K | None found | | |
| Karen Porterfield (D) | $62K | **Tacoma News Tribune**, WA Dems, KC Dems, 5th LD Dems, KC Labor Council, COPE, North Central Labor Council, Washington Machinists Council | | |
| Governor  | **Raised** | **Endorsements** | | |
| Rob McKenna (R) | $7.5M | **Seattle Times**, **Tacoma News Tribune**, Stand for Children, Association of WA Business, Associated General Contractors, WACOPS, KC Police, WA Restaurants, WA Patrol Troopers, Council of Metro Police and Sheriffs, Washington REALTORS, WA Trucking Associations, Building Industry of WA, Rental Housing of Puget Sound, WA Farm Bureau, WA Dairy Farmers | | |
| Jay Inslee (D) | $7.3M | **The Stranger**, **Tacoma News Tribune**, WA Dems, KC Dems, 5th LD Dems, WA Firefighters, WA Nurses, WA Labor Council, SEUI, WEA, AFT, Sierra Club, WA Conservation Voters, Equal Rights Washington, Cascade Bicycle, Planned Parenthood, NARAL | | |
| Shahram Hadian (R) | $105K | Tacoma Narrows Tea Party, Clint Didier, Stephen Pidgeon, Rep. Kilppert & McCune | | |
| L. Dale Sorgen (I) | $2.5K | None found | | |
| Lt. Governor  | **Raised** | **Endorsements** | | |
| Glenn Anderson (R) | $8K | None found | | |
| Brad Owen (D)\* | $213K | **Seattle Times**, **Tacoma News Tribune**, WA Farm Bureau, WA Patrol Troopers, WA Realtors, WA Labor Council, WA Trans Union | | |
| Bill Finkbinder (R) | $127K | **Tacoma News Tribune,** WSRP, WA Conservation Voters, SEIU 775, AG McKenna, US Rep. McMorris Rodgers, Dan Evans, Slade Gorton, Sam Reed, Sen. Rossi, Hewett, Hill & Litzow, Rep. Springer, KCC Hague | | |
| Secretary of State  | **Raised** | **Endorsements** | | |
| Jim Kastama (D) | $67K | **Seattle Times, Tacoma News Tribune**, **Spokesman-Review**, Independent Business Association of WA, Brad Owen, Sen. Hatfield, Kilmer, Murray, Haugen, Shinn, Tom, Hobbs & McAuliffe, Rep. Eddy, Hurst & Miloscia | | |
| Kathleen Drew (D) | $153K | **The Stranger**, WA Dems, KC Dems, 5th LD Dems, WA Labor Council; AFL-CIO 751, AFT, SEIU 1199NW, Teamsters 28, UFCW 367, IBEW 77 & 112 & 483, IAFF 29, EMILY’s List, NARAL, NOW; National Women’s Political Caucus, US Rep. Smith, Sen. Fraser, Rep. Hunt & Reykdal, Ron Sims | | |
| Kim Wyman (R) | $133K | **Tacoma News Tribune**, **Spokesman-Review**, WSRP, WEA, BIAW, Ret. Public Employees Council, Mainstream Republicans, Spokane Home Builders, Sam Reed, Dan Evans, Ralph Munro, Bruce Chapman, AG McKenna, Rep. Reichert, Rep. Hastings, Sid Morrison, Doug Sutherland, and 55 former and current County Auditors (D, R, and NP) | | |
| Greg Nickels (D) | $131K | KC Dems, WA Labor Council, AFT, AFL-CIO, UFCW 21, SEIU 775NW, OPEIU 8, Teamsters 28, IAFF Local 27, Roofers 54, Asbestos Workers 7, Sheet Metal Workers 66, IBEW 46 & 483, KC Building & Construction Trades Council, NARAL, Sen. Murray, Mayor Bruce & Marchione, KCC Gossett | | |
| State Auditor | **Raised** | **Endorsements** | | |
| Troy Kelly (D) | $354K | **Seattle Times**, Pierce County Exec. Pat McCarthy, Realtors, retirees, teachers, veterans, business owners, firefighters, nurses, police officers, children’s advocates, longshoreman, and community leaders. | | |
| James Watkins (R) | $71K | **Seattle Times**, **Tacoma News Tribune**, **The Columbian**, Nearly every Republican organization including the State Party, Young Democrats of Pierce County, over 1000 private citizens including Toby Nixon, President of WA Coalition for Open Government | | |
| Mark Miloscia (D) | $67K | **Tacoma News Tribune**, KC Labor Council, IBEW 46 & 77, ILWU 52, IAFF 2024, OPEIU 8 & 23, Boilermakers 242, Plumbers & Pipefitters 26, 32, 44, 598, Pulp & Paper Workers, US Rep. Smith, Sen. Shinn & Kastama & 17 Dem state reps | | |
| Craig Pridemore (D) | $158K | **The Columbian**, **The Stranger**, WA Dems, KC Dems, 5th LD Dems, WA Firefighters, Equal Rights WA, Fuse Washington, WA Conservation Voters, WEA, WA Patrol Troopers, IAM 751, Teamsters 28, SEIU 775, 925, 1199, OPEIU 609, IAFF 452 & 1805, Planned Parenthood, NARAL, Progressive Majority, Fuse WA, WA Young Dems, KC Young Dems, KC Exec. Constantine, US Rep. Smith, Jim McIntire, Randy Dorn, KCC McDermott, 19 Dem senators, 16 Dem reps | | |
| Attorney General | **Raised** | **Endorsements** | | |
| Bob Ferguson (D) | $964K | **The Stranger**, Tacoma News Tribune, WA Dems, KC Dems, WA Patrol Troopers, Planned Parenthood, NARAL, WEA, WA Nurses, WA Conservation Voters, Sierra Club, WA Labor Council, UFCW 21, Spokane Firefighters, 5th LD Dems | | |
| Reagan Dunn (R) | $1.0M | **Seattle Times**, **Tacoma News Tribune**, WACOPS, KC Police, Council of Metropolitan Police and Sheriffs, IAFF 864 & 2595, AWB, BIAW, WA Realtors, AG McKenna, Slade Gorton, Ken Eikenberry, Jeff Sullivan, John McKay | | |
| Stephen Pidgeon (R) | $22K | Clint Didier, Rep. Shea, John Ahern, Jim McCune, Jeff Baxter | | |
| Comm. of Public Lands  | **Raised** | **Endorsements** | | |
| Peter Goldmark (D)\* | $382K | **The Stranger**, WA Dems, KC Dems, 5th LD Dems, WA Conservation Voters, WEA | | |
| Clint Didier (R) | $15K | None found | | |
| Sup. of Public Schools  | **Raised** | **Endorsements** | | |
| Randy Dorn\* | $135K | **Seattle Times**, **The Stranger**, WA Labor Council, SEIU | | |
| Insurance Comm.  | **Raised** | **Endorsements** | | |
| Mike Kreidler (D)\* | $114K | **Seattle Times**, **The Stranger**, WA Dems, KC Dems, WA Labor Council, SEIU, WEA, Planned Parenthood, NARAL | | |
| Scott Reilly (R) | $19K | None found | | |
| State Senate | **Raised** | **ML** | **Endorsements** | |
| Mark Mullet (D) | $105K | **VG** | KC Dems, KC Young Dems, 5th LD Dems, WA Conservation Voters, Cascade Bicycle, Fuse Washington, NARAL, Planned Parenthood, Sen. Pflug\*, Brown, Kilmer & Kohl-Welles, Rep. Maxwell, KC Exec. Constantine, Mayor Frisinger & Odell | |
| Brad Toft (R) | $96K | **G** | KC GOP, Seattle/KC Realtors, NFIB, WFIA, WA Bankers, NRA, US Rep. Reichert, Slade Gorton, Sen. Litzow, Hill & Fain, Rep. Rodne, Kirby Wilbur | |
| State Rep. (Pos. 2)  | **Raised** | **ML** | **Endorsements** | |
| Chad Magendanz (R) | $55K | **O** | **Seattle Times**, KC GOP, League of Education Voters, Stand for Children, Graduate Washington, NFIB, Seattle/KC Realtors, AGCWA, ABCWW, MCAWW, NECA, WTIA, WFIA, WA Restaurants, WA Retail, WA Bankers, WSVMA, NRA, AG McKenna, US Rep. Reichert, Rep. Anderson\*, Rodne, Dahlquist, Hinkle & Hargrove, Sen. Pflug, Litzow, Hill, Fain & Rossi, KCC Dunn & Lambert, Mayors Allison & Berger, Connie Fletcher, John Curley | |
| David Spring (D) | $1.4K | **A** | KC Dems, WA Labor Council, NARAL | |
| Supreme Court (Pos. 2)  | **Raised** | **ML** | **Endorsements** | |
| Susan Owens\* | $87K | **WQ** | **Seattle Times**, **Tacoma News Tribune**, **The Stranger, Kitsap Sun, The Columbian**, WA Dems, KC Dems, WA Labor Council, WA Firefighters, WA Troopers, SEUI, WEA, WA Conservation Voters, Equal Rights WA, National Women's Political Caucus, IBEW 483, AFSCME 28, SEIU 1199NW, All Supreme Court justices, 143 judges statewide | |
| Supreme Court (Pos. 8)  | **Raised** | **Bar** | **Endorsements** | |
| Steven Gonzalez\* | $330K | **EWQ** | **Seattle Times**, **The Stranger**, **Tacoma News Tribune**, **Wenatchee World**, **Yakima Herald-Republic, The Columbian**, KC Dems, 5th LD Dems, All Supreme Court justices, 250 judges across the state, AG McKenna, Jay Inslee, AWB, SEIU, WA Labor Council, WA Firefighters, WA Troopers, WA Conservation Voters, Equal Rights WA, Planned Parenthood, NARAL | |
| Supreme Court (Pos. 9) | **Raised** | **Bar** | **Endorsements** | |
| Bruce Hilyer | $204K | **EWQ** | **Seattle Times**, **The Stranger, Kitsap Sun**, KC Dems, WA Conservation Voters, WA Firefighters, WA Patrol Troopers, KC Police, KC Corrections, COMPAS, Seattle Police, AFSCME 1811PA, NARAL, WEA, AFT, WA Labor Council, WA Conservation Voters, ACGWA, Teamsters 28, UFCW 21, Mike Lowry, John Spellman, 145 judges statewide | |
| Cheryl McCloud | $117K | **EWQ** | **Spokesman-Review**, KC Dems, KC Young Dems, NARAL, National Women’s Political Caucus, KCC Gossett, Sen. Rolfes, Rep. Goodman, Appleton & Hansen, 17 judges statewide | |
| Richard Sanders | $125K | **WQ** | Supreme Court Justice Chambers, AWB, WA Realtors, U.S. Rep. Paul, AGCWA, Gun Owners Action League and NRA, WA GOP and Libertarian Parties, Human Life PAC, 5th LD GOP | |
| John Landenburg | $72K | **EWQ** | **Tacoma News Tribune**, KC Dems, 5th LD Dems, WA Labor Council, AFT, IBEW 483, KC Corrections, NARAL, SEIU 1199NW, UFCW 1439, WFSE/AFSMCE, US Rep. Dicks, Judge Heller, KCC McDermott, Sen. Kilmer, Rep. Jinkins, 19 prosecutors | |
| Superior Ct. (Pos. 25) | **Raised** | **ML** | **Bar** | **Endorsements** |
| Elizabeth Burns | $29K | **O** | **NQ** | **Seattle Times, The Stranger**, KC Dems, KC Young Dems, 5th LD Dems, KC Labor Council, National Women’s Political Caucus, Equal Rights WA, AFSCME 21, Teamsters 28, 5th LD Dems, Sen. Murray & Chase, Rep. Goodman, Maxwell & Kagi, Mayor Lee & Marchione, 19 KC judges |
| Roger Davidheiser | $46K | **VG** | **EWQ** | KC Labor Council, Seattle/KC Realtors, AGCWA, KC Police, Seattle Police, Sen. Nelson & Frockt, 8 KC judges |
| Eric Schmidt | $8.0K | **VG** | **EWQ** | 8 Supreme Court justices (2 ret.), 14 Appeals Court Judges (4 ret.), Superior Court Judge David Kurtz |
| Superior Ct. (Pos. 29) | **Raised** | **ML** | **Bar** | **Endorsements** |
| Sean O’Donnell | $60K | **O** | **WQ** | **Seattle Times, The Stranger**, KC GOP, KC Dems, KC Young Dems, 5th LD Dems, 5th LD GOP, KC Labor Council, KC Police, KC Corrections, Seattle Police, SEIU 775NW, Sen. Kline, Fain & Litzow, Rep. Dahlquist, Eddy & Hasagawa, KC Exec. Constantine, Mayors McGinn, Lee & Marchione, KCC Dunn & Lambert, Justice Gonzalez, 25 KC judges (7 ret.) |
| Hong Tran | $6.3K | **VG** | TBD | Appeals Court Judge Spearman, 5 Superior Court judges (1 ret.), Metro Dems of Seattle, National Women’s Political Caucus, SEIU 925, KCC Gossett & Licata |
| Superior Ct. (Pos. 30) | **Raised** | **ML** | **Bar** | **Endorsements** |
| Kimberly Allen | $19K | **VG** | TBD | KC Dems, KC Young Dems, National Women’s Political Caucus, NARAL, Reps. Hunter, Eddy, Goodman & Ryu, Port Comm. Tarleton, KCC Phillips, Mayors Marchione, Talmas & McBride |
| Doug North\* | $44K | **O** | **EWQ** | **Seattle Times, The Stranger**, 5th LD Dems, 8 Supreme Court Justices, 8 Appeals Court Judges, 49 KC judges, 14 municipal judges, 2 KC Superior Court commissioners, 17 other judges across state |
| Superior Ct. (Pos. 42)  | **Raised** | **ML** | **Bar** | **Endorsements** |
| Sue Parisien | $0 | **VG** | **Q** | **Seattle Times, The Stranger**, National Women’s Political Caucus, John Carlson |
| Marianne Jones | $25K | **A** | **NQ** | KC GOP, KC Young Dems, 46th LD GOP, US Rep. Reichert |
| David Ruzumna | $16K | **G** | **Q** | 45th LD Dems, CARE |
| Chris Washington\* | $33K | **VG** | **WQ** | 5th LD Dems KC Labor Council, 7 Supreme Court justices, 3 Appeals Court judges, 55 KC judges, 20 other judges statewide, Rep. Kagi |
| Superior Court (Pos. 46) | **Raised** | **ML** | **Bar** | **Endorsements** |
| Judy Ramseyer | $48K | **O** | **WQ** | **Seattle Times, The Stranger**, KC Dems, KC Young Dems, KC Labor Council, SEIU 925, Planned Parenthood, NARAL, Seattle Building & Trades Council, 10 Supreme Court justices (4 ret.), 5 Appeals Court judges, 24 KC judges (7 ret.), Sen. Chase, Kline & Murray, Rep. Goodman, Hudgins, Hasegawa, Dickerson, Pederson & Maxwell, KCC Gossett, Ron Sims |
| Gary Ernsdorff | $41K | **O** | **WQ** | Judge Barnett\*, 23 KC judges (4 ret.), KC Police, KC Corrections, Seattle Police, Black Diamond Police, Mayors McGinn, Priest & Cook, KCC Lambert & Von Reichbauer |

**Ratings**: Municipal League (**ML**): Outstanding (**O**), Very Good (**VG**), Good (**G**), Adequate (**A**), Not Qualified (**NQ**) **\***Denotes incumbent  
King County Bar (**Bar**): Exceptionally Well Qualified (**EWQ**), Well Qualified (**WQ**), Qualified (**Q**), Not Qualified (**NQ**) Unfunded campaigns filtered

If you haven’t voted yet, I would encourage you to make use of all available resources to complete your primary ballot and drop it at the Post Office by 6pm on Tuesday, August 7th. If you have any questions, please contact me via email ([chad@magendanz.com](mailto:chad@magendanz.com)). – Chad