

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

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

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, 5 th 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, 5 th 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, 5 th 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, 5 th 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, 5 th 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, 5 th 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, 5 th 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, 5 th 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, 5 th 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, 5 th LD GOP
John Landenburg		\$72K	EWQ	Tacoma News Tribune , KC Dems, 5 th 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
Elizabeth Burns		\$29K	O	NQ Seattle Times, The Stranger , KC Dems, KC Young Dems, 5 th LD Dems, KC Labor Council, National Women's Political Caucus, Equal Rights WA, AFSCME 21, Teamsters 28, 5 th 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
Sean O'Donnell		\$60K	O	WQ Seattle Times, The Stranger , KC GOP, KC Dems, KC Young Dems, 5 th LD Dems, 5 th 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
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 , 5 th 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
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, 46 th LD GOP, US Rep. Reichert
David Ruzumna		\$16K	G	Q 45 th LD Dems, CARE
Chris Washington*		\$33K	VG	WQ 5 th 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
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)

King County Bar (Bar): Exceptionally Well Qualified (EWQ), Well Qualified (WQ), Qualified (Q), Not Qualified (NQ)

*Denotes incumbent

▼ 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). - Chad