

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 thoughtfully 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:

Ballot Measures

I-1185	Raised	Require 2/3rds legislative majority or voter approval to raise taxes or fees
YES	\$1.4M	Seattle Times, The Columbian, Spokesman-Review, Kitsap Sun, The Daily News, Yakima Herald-Republic, Walla Walla Union-Bulletin, Issaquah/Sammamish Reporter, WSRP, Rob McKenna
NO	\$89K	The Stranger, Tacoma News Tribune, Everett Herald, Issaquah Press, Gov. Gregoire, Jay Inslee, WA Dems, KC Dems, WA Labor Council, SEIU, WEA, Planned Parenthood, WA PTA
I-1240	Raised	Authorize up to 40 publicly-funded charter schools
YES	\$9.3M	Seattle Times, Tacoma News Tribune, The Olympian, The Columbian, Spokesman-Review, Kitsap Sun, Everett Herald, Tri-City Herald, Walla Walla Union-Bulletin, Issaquah/Sammamish Reporter, League of Education Voters, Stand for Children, Partnership for Learning, Dems for Ed Reform, Students for Ed Reform, Teachers United, AWB, WA Roundtable, Tech Alliance, Rob McKenna, Dan Evans, Slade Gordon, Rep. Anderson, Dahlquist, Hinkle, Hargrove, Eddy & Hunter, Sen. Litzow, Hill, Fain & Tom
NO	\$658K	The Stranger, Issaquah Press, WA Dems, KC Dems, WSSDA, WASA, AWSP, WEA, PSE, League of Women Voters, WA Community Action Network
R-74	Raised	Allow same-sex marriage
APPROVE	\$12.5M	Seattle Times, The Stranger, Tacoma News Tribune, The Olympian, The Columbian, Spokesman-Review, Kitsap Sun, Everett Herald, Tri-City Herald, Walla Walla Union-Bulletin, Issaquah Press, Issaquah/Sammamish Reporter, SnoValley Star, Equal Rights Washington, Human Rights Campaign, League of Women Voters, Children's Alliance, WA Dems, WA Bus, WA Young Dems, KC Dems, ACLU, SEIU, NOW, Woman's Political Caucus, NARAL, Planned Parenthood, Jeff Bezos, Bill Gates, Steve Balmer, Cheryl Pflug, 5th LD Dems, Log Cabin GOP
REJECT	\$2.1M	The Daily News, WSRP, Rep. Shea, Bishop Jackson, Pastor Leskovar & Fuiten, Reverend Ang & Paloalto
I-502	Raised	Legalize and tax marijuana
YES	\$5.7M	Seattle Times, The Stranger, The Olympian, The Columbian, Spokesman-Review, Issaquah Press, Issaquah/Sammamish Reporter, SnoValley Star, Children's Alliance, KC Bar, LEAP, Legal Voice, ACLU, NOW, NAACP, Fuse WA, WA Dems, WA Young Dems, WA Labor Council, KC Dems, 5th LD Dems, Sen. Baumgartner, Brown & Murray, Rep. Pedersen & Hasegawa, KC Exec. Constantine & Sims (ret), Mayor McGinn & Nickles (ret), KC Sheriff Strachan, John Urquhart, Police Chief Stamper (ret)
NO	\$16K	Tacoma News Tribune, Walla Walla Union-Bulletin, Judge Jim Gray, Rep. Goodman & Fitzgibbon, Toby Nixon
ESJR-8221	Raised	Reduce state debt limit
APPROVE	\$0	Seattle Times, The Olympian, The Columbian, Spokesman-Review, Everett Herald, Walla Walla Union-Bulletin
REJECT	\$0	The Stranger, Kitsap Sun, KC Dems, American Institute of Architects
SJR-8223	Raised	Allow state universities to invest public funds
APPROVE	\$110K	Seattle Times, The Stranger, The Olympian, The Columbian, Everett Herald, Walla Walla Union-Bulletin
REJECT	\$0	KC Dems
ESB-6635	Raised	Imposes B&O tax for banks on interest from residential first mortgages
MAINTAIN	\$0	The Stranger, The Columbian, Walla Walla Union-Bulletin, KC Dems
REPEAL	\$0	
SHB-2590	Raised	Extends fuel-safety fee on large commercial fuel purchases
MAINTAIN	\$0	The Stranger, The Columbian, Walla Walla Union-Bulletin, KC Dems
REPEAL	\$0	
KC Prop-1	Raised	\$120M levy renewal for Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS)
APPROVE	\$0	Seattle Times, The Stranger, KC Dems
REJECT	\$0	

Candidate Endorsements

President	Raised	Endorsements
Barack Obama (D) *	\$12.5M	Seattle Times, The Stranger, Everett Herald, WA Dems, KC Dems
Mitt Romney (R)	\$4.9M	The Columbian, Spokesman-Review, Walla Walla Union-Bulletin, WSRP
Gary Johnson (L)	\$43K	Ron Paul, Barry Goldwater, Jesse Ventura, Sean Hannity
US Senate	Raised	Endorsements
Maria Cantwell (D)*	\$8.6M	The Stranger, Tacoma News Tribune, The Olympian, The Columbian, Kitsap Sun, Everett Herald, Yakima Herald, Walla Walla Union-Bulletin, WA Dems, KC Dems, WA Labor Council, IAFF 1604, WA Council of Firefighters, SEIU, NOW, Women's Political Caucus, Equal Rights WA, Planned Parenthood, NARAL
Michael Baumgartner (R)	\$977K	Tri-City Herald, WSRP, Rob McKenna, Sam Reed, Slade Gorton, Sam Reed, Art Coday, Timmy (Doc) Wilson, 12 GOP state senators, 16 GOP state reps, WA Farm Bureau
US House	Raised	Endorsements
Dave Reichert (R)*	\$1.5M	Seattle Times, Tacoma News Tribune, WSRP, KC GOP, WA Patrol Troopers, KC Police Officers Guild, WACOPS, COMPAS, WA Firefighters, WA Farm Bureau, Realtors, NEA, WEA, US Chamber, NFIB, ConservAmerica, Gun Owners Action League
Karen Porterfield (D)	\$35K	Issaquah Press, WA Dems, KC Dems, 5th LD Dems, WA Labor Council, AFT, ATU 587, Machinist 751, COPE, WA/KC Labor Council, WA Machinists Council, Planned Parenthood, Women's Political Caucus
Governor	Raised	Endorsements
Jay Inslee (D)	\$10.7M	The Stranger, The Olympian, WA Dems, KC Dems, 5th LD Dems, WA Firefighters, WA Nurses, WA Labor Council, SEUI, WEA, AFT, Machinists, IBEW, UAW, WA Council of Firefighters, WA Conservation Voters, Sierra Club, Cascade Bicycle, Equal Rights WA, Human Rights Campaign, NOW, Planned Parenthood, NARAL
Rob McKenna (R)	\$12.5M	Seattle Times, Tacoma News Tribune, The Columbian, Spokesman-Review, Everett Herald, Tri-City Herald, The Daily News, Kitsap Sun, Walla Walla Union-Bulletin, Wenatchee World, WSRP, KC GOP, Stand for Children, Association of WA Business, Associated General Contractors, WACOPS, KC Police, WA Patrol Troopers, Council of Metro Police and Sheriffs, WA REALTORS, WA Restaurants, WA Trucking Associations, Building Industry of WA, Rental Housing of Puget Sound, WA Farm Bureau, WA Dairy Farmers
Lt. Governor	Raised	Endorsements
Brad Owen (D)*	\$287K	Seattle Times, Tacoma News Tribune, Tri-City Herald, WA Dems, KC Dems, WA Labor Council, WA Council of Firefighters, SEIU, Equal Rights WA
Bill Finkbinder (R)	\$255K	The Stranger, The Olympian, The Columbian, Spokesman-Review, Everett Herald, Walla Walla Union-Bulletin, WSRP, KC GOP, SEIU, WA Conservation Voters, Cascade Bicycle, Equal Rights WA, Planned Parenthood, NARAL, Rob McKenna, Sam Reed, Dan Evans, Slade

			Gordon, Sen. Rossi, Litzow & Hill
Secretary of State	Raised	Endorsements	
Kim Wyman (R)	\$256K	Seattle Times, Tacoma News Tribune, The Olympian, The Columbian, Spokesman-Review, Tri-City Herald, Yakima Herald, Walla Walla Union-Bulletin , WSRP, KC GOP, AWB, WEA, WA Affordable Housing Council, Sam Reed*, Ralph Munro, Bruce Chapman, Rob McKenna, Dan Evans, Dave Reichert	
Kathleen Drew (D)	\$339K	The Stranger , WA Dems, KC Dems, Progressive Majority, WA Labor Council, AFT, WA Council of Firefighters, WA Patrol Troopers, Teamsters, UFCW, IBEW, SEIU, NOW, Women's Political Caucus, Equal Rights WA, SEIU, WA Council of Firefighters, WA Conservation Voters, Sierra Club, Emily's List, NOW, Women's Political Caucus, Planned Parenthood, NARAL, Sen. Murray & Cantwell, Gov. Gregoire, Jay Inslee	
State Treasurer	Raised	Endorsements	
Jim McIntire (D)*	\$152K	The Stranger, Tacoma News Tribune, The Olympian, The Columbian, Spokesman-Review, Tri-City Herald, Walla Walla Union-Bulletin , WA Dems, KC Dems, WA Patrol Troopers, WA Council of Firefighters, SEIU, Machinists 751, WEA, PSE, AWB, WA Realtors, WA Conservation Voters, Equal Rights WA, NARAL	
Sharon Hanek (R)	\$15K	WSRP, KC GOP, CAPR, John Koster, Clint Didier, Sen. Roach & Baxter, Rep. Dahlquist, Dammeier, Shea & Zeiger	
State Auditor	Raised	Endorsements	
James Watkins (R)	\$123K	Tacoma News Tribune, The Columbian, Tri-City Herald, Yakima Herald, Walla Walla Union-Bulletin, The Daily News , WSRP, KC GOP, Mainstream Republicans, Pierce County Young Democrats, WA Farm Bureau, Sam Reed, Ralph Munro, Toby Nixon	
Troy Kelly (D)	\$666K	Seattle Times, The Stranger , WA Dems, KC Dems, WEA, WA Council of Firefighters, AFT, SEIU, Teamsters 28, Equal Rights WA	
Attorney General	Raised	Endorsements	
Bob Ferguson (D)	\$1.4M	The Stranger, The Olympian , Tacoma News Tribune, WA Dems, KC Dems, 5 th LD Dems, WA Labor Council, WA Patrol Troopers, WEA, UFCW 21, SEIU, IAFF, IBEW, Teamsters, WA Nurses, WA Conservation Voters, KC Corrections, Guild, KC Juvenile Detention Guild, KC Court Protection Officers, Sierra Club, Planned Parenthood, NARAL, Gov. Gregoire, Mike Lowry, Patty Murray, Jay Inslee, Dow Constantine	
Reagan Dunn (R)	\$1.5M	Seattle Times, Tacoma News Tribune, The Columbian, Spokesman-Review, Kitsap Sun, Tri-City Herald, Yakima Herald, Walla Walla Union-Bulletin , WSRP, KC GOP, WACOPS, COMPAS, Seattle Police, KC Police, IAFF 864 & 2595, AWB, BIAW, ABC, NFIB, WA Realtors, Rob McKenna, Slade Gorton, Ken Eikenberry, Jeff Sullivan, John McKay, Bill Allison	
Comm. of Public Lands	Raised	Endorsements	
Peter Goldmark (D)*	\$549K	Seattle Times, The Stranger, Tacoma News Tribune, The Olympian, The Columbian, Spokesman-Review, Bellingham Herald, Yakima Herald, Walla Walla Union-Bulletin , WA Dems, KC Dems, 5 th LD Dems, WA Labor Council, WEA, Machinists, IBEW, PSE/SEIU, Teamsters, WA Troopers, WA Council of Firefighters, WA Conservation Voters, Sierra Club, Equal Rights WA, Chris Gregoire, Patty Murray, Maria Cantwell, Jim McIntire, Dow Constantine	
Clint Didier (R)	\$157K	WSRP, KC GOP, WA Farm Bureau, CAPR, CSRIA, Spokane Home Builders	
Insurance Comm.	Raised	Endorsements	
Mike Kreidler (D)*	\$160K	Seattle Times, The Stranger, Tacoma News Tribune, The Olympian, The Columbian, Spokesman-Review, Bellingham Herald, Yakima Herald, Tri-City Herald, Walla Walla Union-Bulletin , WA Dems, KC Dems, WA Labor Council, WA Troopers, WA Council of Firefighters, SEIU, WEA, PSE, IBEW, Machinists, WA Nurses, Equal Rights WA, Planned Parenthood, NARAL	
John R. Adams (R)	\$2.5K	KC GOP	
State Senate	Raised	ML	Endorsements
Mark Mullet (D)	\$255K	VG	Seattle Times, Issaquah Press, SnoValley Star , KC Dems, KC Young Dems, 5 th LD Dems, Dems for Ed Reform, WA Labor Council, WEA, PSE, SEIU, IAM 751, UFCW 21, IAFF, WA Fire Chiefs, WA Conservation Voters, Cascade Bicycle, Fuse WA, Equal Rights WA, Planned Parenthood, NARAL, Cheryl Pflug*, Dow Constantine, Tola Marts, Ava Frisinger, Bill Allison, Jim Berger, Tom Odell, Stacy Goodman, Lisa Brown, Fred Jarrett
Brad Toft (R)	\$257K	G	KC GOP, AWB, NFIB, Seattle/KC Realtors, WFIA, WA Bankers, WA Farm Bureau, WRA, CAPR, NRA, Dave Reichert, Slade Gorton, Sen. Litzow, Hill & Fain, Rep. Rodne, KCC Lambert, Dunn, Hague & Von Reichbauer, Kirby Wilbur, David Spring
State Rep. (Pos. 2)	Raised	ML	Endorsements
Chad Magendanz (R)	\$87K	O	Seattle Times, Issaquah Press, SnoValley Star , KC GOP, 5 th LD GOP, League of Education Voters, Stand for Children, Graduate Washington, AWB, NFIB, Seattle/KC Realtors, AGC, ABC, MCA, NECA, WTIA, WFIA, WA Restaurants, WA Retail, WA Bankers, WA Farm Bureau, WA Anglers, WSVMA, WSDA, CAPR, NRA, WAC, KC Police Officers Guild, Rob McKenna, Dave Reichert, Rep. Anderson*, Rodne, Dahlquist, Hinkle & Hargrove, Sen. Pflug, Litzow, Hill, Fain, Rossi, Tom, KCC Dunn & Lambert, Mayors Allison & Berger, Connie Fletcher, Tola Marts, John Curley, John Carlson
David Spring (D)	\$1.4K	A	KC Dems, WA Labor Council, NARAL
King County Sheriff	Raised	ML	Endorsements
Steve Strachan*	\$32K	O	Seattle Times, The Stranger , Sheriffs Rahr (ret), Lovick, Boyer, Benedict, Elfo & Salisbury, Police Chiefs Ayers (Issaquah), Milosevich (Renton), Thomas (Kent), Lt. Gov. Owen, Sec. of State Munro (ret), KC Prosecutor Satterberg, KCC Lambert, Mayors Frisinger, Larson & Allison, KC GOP, KC Corrections Guild, Kent Police Officers Assn.
John Urquhart	\$181K	G	Issaquah Press , Congressman Reichert, Rep. Rodne, Anderson & Chopp, Sam Reed, John McKay, Jim Horn, Norm Stamper, KC Dems, KC Young Dems, 5 th LD Dems, Mainstream Republicans, IFFF 1762 & 2024, Teamsters 117, NARAL
Supreme Court (Pos. 9)	Raised	Bar	Endorsements
Cheryl McCloud	\$214K	EWQ	Seattle Times, The Stranger, Spokesman-Review, The Columbian, Kitsap Sun, Yakima Herald, Walla Walla Union-Bulletin , WA Dems, KC Dems, KC Young Dems, WA Labor Council, WA Conservation Voters, National Women's Political Caucus, NARAL, KCC Gossett, Sen. Rolfes, Rep. Goodman, Appleton & Hansen, 17 judges statewide
Richard Sanders	\$317K	WQ	Tri-City Herald, Yakima Valley Business Times , Supreme Court Justice Chambers, Johnson, Smith (ret) & Talmadge (ret), AWB, WA Realtors, WA Farm Bureau, U.S. Rep. Paul, AGCWA, BIAW, WRHA, Gun Owners Action League, CAPR, NRA, Human Life PAC, WA GOP and Libertarians, WSRP, KC GOP, 5 th LD GOP
Superior Ct. (Pos. 42)	Raised	ML	Bar Endorsements
Sue Parisien	\$8.7K	VG	Q The Stranger , KC Dems, Women's Political Caucus, David Ruzumna, John Carlson
Chris Washington*	\$45K	VG	WQ Seattle Times, The Stranger , KC Dems, 5 th LD Dems, KC Labor Council, 8 Supreme Court justices, 3 Appeals Court judges, 56 KC judges, 32 other judges statewide, Rep. Kagi, Goodman, Pedersen & Pollet, Sen. Kline, Larry Gossett

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

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 your local post office or ballot drop box by 6pm on Tuesday, November 6th. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

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