



Snohomish County Democrats

Protecting Our Future

2020 Judicial Questionnaire

Dear Candidate,

Welcome and thank you for requesting an endorsement from the Snohomish County Democrats. We appreciate your interest and your participation. When a candidate asks for our endorsement, we ask the candidate to fill out this questionnaire. The endorsement committee's desire is to collect information that is important to our constituents in Snohomish County.

This questionnaire will help us evaluate those candidates that are seeking our endorsement. We will evaluate candidates based on several means of information beyond this questionnaire. At the discretion of the chair of the endorsement committee, you may be invited to an interview with the full committee.

The endorsement committee will evaluate your endorsement request and make a recommendation to our membership. You may be invited to the membership meeting to make a brief statement and possibly answer a few questions. Please consider time constraints when planning to return your questionnaire. We highly encourage you to submit your endorsement request as soon as possible.

Please return the completed questionnaire to: endorsements@snocodems.org

Candidate Name:	
Candidate for what office:	
Have you filed with the PDC?	
Campaign Address:	
Campaign Phone:	
Email:	
Website:	
Campaign Manager name:	
Email:	
Phone number:	
Campaign Treasurer name:	
Email:	
Phone number:	
Campaign Consultant name:	
Email:	
Phone number:	

Candidate Background

Undergraduate Institution:	
Undergraduate Degree:	
Year Received:	
Law School:	
Law Degree Received:	
Year Received:	
Other Degrees:	

List up to three jurisdictions in which you are currently admitted to practice law and the dates of admission.	
Court/Jurisdiction	Date Admitted

List your bar association membership(s).		
State	Membership Date	Status (active / inactive)

Please list below all professional societies of which you are a member.

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#1 - In 75 words or less, please describe why you are seeking a judicial position.

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#2 - In 75 words or less, please describe the type of judge you aspire to be.

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#3 - Please briefly identify all your experience as a neutral decision-maker. This can include service as a permanent or pro tem judge, administrative law judge, arbitrator, hearing officer, etc.	
Court/Jurisdiction	Dates / Date Ranges

#4 - Please describe any activities that you have engaged in to eliminate bias or improve access to the judicial system.

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#5 - What are the most significant barriers to access to justice today? In what ways have you seen these barriers in your practice?

#6 - As a member of the bench, what role, if any, do you believe that a judge has to enhance equal access to justice?

#7 - What can a judge, or court, do to improve diversity in the legal profession?

#8 - Briefly describe no more than two significant matters that you directly handled as counsel, and include the reason that each is significant to you.

#9 Describe what you see as optimal bail reform.

#10 Identify the basis upon which you determine the necessity or propriety for recusal.

#11 Have you been recused based upon the request or motion by a litigant, by a party to the proceeding, or by any other party?

#12 Please describe your work within the community, including pro bono work.

#13 Have you ever practiced law under a different name? If so, list name(s).

#14 Have any grievances ever been filed against you? If so, please state their nature and outcome. Have you ever been disciplined or cited for a breach of ethics or unprofessional conduct by, or are you now the subject of a complaint to, any court, administrative agency, bar association, disciplinary committee, or other professional group? If so, please give the particulars.

#15 In the last 36 months, have you been included in any bar poll or judicial evaluations by the state and/or local bar associations or other legal organizations? If so, please attach a copy of those results.

Please answer the following questions.		Yes/No
1	Have you ever failed to pay any taxes or court ordered judgments?	
2	Have you ever been found in violation of a Public Disclosure Commission or Federal Election Commission?	

If you answered “Yes” to any of the questions above, please explain your answer:

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Please respond to the following acknowledgement(s).		Agree/Disagree
1	I agree to run an ethical and honest campaign. Failure to do so could result in the rescission of my endorsement.	

If you disagree with any of the items above, please explain your answer:

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