

2004 GENERAL ELECTION CANDIDATE RATINGS AND ENDORSEMENTS

SEATTLE METROPOLITAN ELECTIONS COMMITTEE
FOR GAYS, LESBIANS, BISEXUALS & TRANSGENDERS

SEAMEC 28th YEAR

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THIS INFORMATION
INTO THE VOTING BOOTH

SEAMEC RATING	CANDIDATE	INTERVIEW GRADES				
		Civil Rights/Gov.	Youth/Elder	Marriage/Family	Health	Awareness
UNITED STATES SENATOR						
4	Patty Murray (D) <i>i</i>	U				
3	J. Mills (L)	B	B	A	B	B
3	Mark B. Wilson (G)	C	B	A	B	B
1	George Nethercutt (R)	U				
U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES						
<u>District 1</u>						
4	Jay Inslee (D) <i>i</i>	A	A	A	B	B
?	Randy Eastwood (R)	di				
<u>District 7</u>						
4	Jim McDermott (D) <i>i</i>	U				
0	Carol Cassady (R)	di				
<u>District 8</u>						
3	▼ DAVE ROSS (D)	B	B	B	C	B
2	Dave Reichert (R)	di				
<u>District 9</u>						
4	Adam Smith (D) <i>i</i>	A	A	A	B	A
?	Paul J. Lord (R)	di				
?	Robert F. Losey (G)	di				
WASHINGTON STATE GOVERNOR						
5	▼ CHRISTINE GREGOIRE (D)	A	A	B	A	B
4	Ruth Bennett (L)	B	B	A	B	A
1	Dino Rossi (R)	di				
WASHINGTON STATE LT. GOVERNOR						
4	Bern Haggerty (G)	B	B	B	B	B
?	Jim Wiest (R)	U				
1	Brad Owen (D) <i>i</i>	di				
WASHINGTON SECRETARY OF STATE						
4	Laura Ruderman (D)	U				
3	Sam Reed (R) <i>i</i>	U				
WASHINGTON STATE TREASURER						
3	Mike Murphy (D) <i>i</i>	B	A	A	B	B
?	Oscar S. Lewis (R)	U				
WASHINGTON STATE AUDITOR						
4	Brian Sonntag (D) <i>i</i>	A	A	A	A	A
?	Will Baker (R)	di				
WASHINGTON ATTORNEY GENERAL						
5	▼ DEBORAH SENN (D)	A	A	A	B	A
3	Paul Richmond (G)	B	B	A	A	A
2	Rob McKenna (R)	C	B	C	B	C
WA. COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS						
4	Mike Cooper (D)	A	B	A	A	B
3	Doug Sutherland (R) <i>i</i>	U				
WA. SUPT. OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION						
5	▼ JUDITH BILLINGS	A	A	A	A	A
4	Terry Bergeson <i>i</i>	A	A	A	B	A
WA. INSURANCE COMMISSIONER						
3	Mike Kreidler (D) <i>i</i>	A	A	A	A	A
3	John Adams (R)	B	B	B	B	B

SEAMEC RATING	CANDIDATE	INTERVIEW GRADES				
		Civil Rights/Gov.	Youth/Elder	Marriage/Family	Health	Awareness
WASHINGTON STATE LEGISLATURE						
<u>District 1-Senator</u>						
4	▼ ROSEMARY MCAULIFFE (D) <i>i</i>	C	B	B	B	A
?	Jason Bontrager (R)	di				
<u>District 1-Repr. Pos. 1</u>						
3	Al O'Brien (D) <i>i</i>	B	B	B	B	C
?	Jeff Merrill (R)	U				
<u>District 1-Repr. Pos. 2</u>						
5	▼ MARK ERICKS (D)	B	B	A	B	B
?	Joshua Freed (R)	di				
<u>District 5-Senator</u>						
4	▼ KATHY HUCKABAY (D)	A	A	A	A	A
1	Cheryl Pflug (R) <i>i</i>	di				
<u>District 5-Repr. Pos. 1</u>						
3	Jeff Griffin (D)	B	B	A	A	A
2	Jay Rodne (R) <i>i</i>	di				
<u>District 5-Repr. Pos. 2</u>						
5	▼ BARBARA DE MICHELE (D)	A	A	A	A	A
1	Glenn Anderson (R) <i>i</i>	di				
<u>District 11-Senator</u>						
5	▼ MARGARITA PRENTICE (D) <i>i</i>	A	A	A	A	A
?	Bill Roenicke (R)	di				
<u>District 11-Repr. Pos. 1</u>						
3	Zack Hudgins (D) <i>i</i>	B	B	A	B	B
?	Elizabeth Harris (R)	U				
<u>District 11-Repr. Pos. 2</u>						
3	▼ BOB HASEGAWA (D)	B	B	B	B	B
0	Ruth Gibbs (R)	di				
<u>District 30-Repr. Pos. 1</u>						
2	Mark Miloscia (D) <i>i</i>	B	B	B	B	B
?	Tony Moore (R)	U				
<u>District 30-Repr. Pos. 2</u>						
3	Skip Priest (R) <i>i</i>	C	C	C	D	C
2	Joe Henry (D)	B	B	B	B	B
<u>District 31-Repr. Pos. 1</u>						
0	Dan Roach (R) <i>i</i>	di				
<u>District 31-Repr. Pos. 2</u>						
3	Jan Shabro (R) <i>i</i>	di				
<u>District 32-Repr. Pos. 1</u>						
4	Maralyn Chase (D) <i>i</i>	B	A	A	B	A
<u>District 32-Repr. Pos. 2</u>						
4	Ruth Kagi (D) <i>i</i>	A	A	B	B	A
2	Margaret R. Wiggins (R)	di				
<u>District 33-Repr. Pos. 1</u>						
3	Shay Schual-Berke (D) <i>i</i>	B	B	C	B	B
?	Bruce Elliott (R)	U				
<u>District 33-Repr. Pos. 2</u>						
4	Dave Upthegrove (D) <i>i</i>	A	A	A	A	A
<u>District 34-Repr. Pos. 1</u>						
4	Eileen L. Cody (D) <i>i</i>	A	A	B	B	A
?	Savun Neang (R)	U				
<u>District 34-Repr. Pos. 2</u>						
5	▼ JOE MCDERMOTT (D) <i>i</i>	A	A	A	A	A
?	Paul F. Byrne (R)	U				
<u>District 36-Repr. Pos. 1</u>						
3	Helen Sommers (D) <i>i</i>	C	C	B	B	B
?	Floyd Loomis (R)	U				

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		Civil Rights/Gov.	Youth/Elder	Marriage/Family	Health	Awareness
<u>District 36-Repr. Pos. 2</u>						
3	Mary Lou Dickerson (D) <i>i</i>	di				
?	Don Zeek (L)	U				
<u>District 37-Repr. Pos. 1</u>						
4	Sharon Tomiko Santos (D) <i>i</i>	B	B	B	B	B
?	Kwame W. Garrett (R)	U				
<u>District 37-Repr. Pos. 2</u>						
3	Eric Pettigrew (D) <i>i</i>	B	B	A	A	A
?	Aaron Alberg (R)	U				
<u>District 39-Senator</u>						
?	Susanne Olson (D)	di				
0	Val Stevens (R) <i>i</i>	di				
<u>District 39-Repr. Pos. 1</u>						
3	Joel Selling (D)	B	B	B	C	B
1	Dan Kristiansen (R) <i>i</i>	di				
<u>District 39-Repr. Pos. 2</u>						
3	Pedro Gonzales (D)	B	B	B	B	B
1	Kirk Pearson (R) <i>i</i>	di				
<u>District 41-Senator</u>						
3	Brian Weinstein (D)	B	B	C	C	C
2	Jim Horn (R) <i>i</i>	di				
<u>District 41-Repr. Pos. 1</u>						
4	▼ FRED JARRETT (R) <i>i</i>	A	B	B	B	B
3	Lance Ramsay (D)	B	B	B	B	B
<u>District 41-Repr. Pos. 2</u>						
3	Juddy Clibborn (D) <i>i</i>	B	A	B	B	B
?	Fawn Spady (R)	di				
<u>District 43-Repr. Pos. 1</u>						
5	▼ ED MURRAY (D) <i>i</i>	A	A	A	A	A
?	Zac Green (R)	U				
<u>District 43-Repr. Pos. 2</u>						
4	Frank Chopp (D) <i>i</i>	A	A	A	A	A
2	Mark Griswold (R)	B	B	A	C	B
<u>District 45-Repr. Pos. 1</u>						
3	Toby Nixon (R) <i>i</i>	B	C	C	B	B
?	Robert E. Adair (D)	di				
<u>District 45-Repr. Pos. 2</u>						
3	Larry Springer (D)	B	B	B	B	B
1	Jeffrey Possinger (R)	di				
<u>District 46-Repr. Pos. 1</u>						
4	Jim McIntire (D) <i>i</i>	A	B	A	A	A
3	Chris LaRoche (G)	B	B	B	B	B
?	Brien L. Downie (R)	U				
<u>District 46-Repr. Pos. 2</u>						
4	Phyllis G. Kenney (D) <i>i</i>	B	A	A	B	A
?	Gary Stute (L)	U				
<u>District 47-Repr. Pos. 1</u>						
3	Geoff Simpson (D) <i>i</i>	U				
1	Steve Altick (R)	di				
<u>District 47-Repr. Pos. 2</u>						
2	Jack Cairnes (R) <i>i</i>	di				
?	Pat Sullivan (D)	U				
<u>District 48-Repr. Pos. 1</u>						
3	Ross Hunter (D) <i>i</i>	B	B	C	C	B
?	James Whitfield (R)	di				
<u>District 48-Repr. Pos. 2</u>						
4	▼ RODNEY TOM (R) <i>i</i>	A	B	B	B	B
3	Debi Golden (D)	B	B	A	A	A

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CAN BE FOUND ON THE REVERSE →

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their time, money and expertise!**

SEAMEC RATING	INTERVIEW GRADES				
	Youth/Elder Civil Rights/Gov.	Marriage/Family	Health	Awareness	
WASHINGTON STATE SUPREME COURT					
	<u>Justice Position 1</u>				
4	▼ MARY KAY BECKER	A	B	A	A
?	Jim Johnson	di			
	<u>Justice Position 5</u>				
4	Barbara Madsen <i>i</i>	A	A	A	A
	<u>Justice Position 6</u>				
3	Terry Sebring	B	B	C	C
2	Richard B. Sanders <i>i</i>	B	A	B	B
COURT OF APPEALS					
	<u>District 1, Position 1</u>				
4	C. Kenneth Grosse <i>i</i>	A	B	B	B
KING COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT					
	<u>Position 23</u>				
3	Andrea Darvas	A	A	A	A
3	Julia Garratt	C	B	C	B
	<u>Position 42</u>				
4	Catherine Moore	A	A	A	B
3	Chris Washington	B	B	C	B
BALLOT MEASURES					
	<u>Referendum 55</u>				
	▼ VOTE: NO				

SEAMEC is an independent non-partisan candidate rating organization that interviews, evaluates, and rates candidates running for political office in Seattle, King and Snohomish Counties and the State of Washington.

SEAMEC rates candidates on their attitudes, knowledge, stance, record of proven activism, and past, present and potential commitment to issues specifically concerning the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered communities. Candidate interviews are conducted by panels of volunteers.

SEAMEC has been serving the community since 1977. Membership and donations are welcomed and encouraged.

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EXPLANATION OF RATINGS

SEAMEC endorsements (marked in **BOLD CAPITAL** letters and by a ▼) are given by a 2/3 majority of the SEAMEC Steering Committee, in recognition of a clear choice of importance to the GLBT community, or in recognition of a distinguished history of activism on behalf of the GLBT community.

- The numerical **SEAMEC (Overall) Rating**, in the left-hand column, uses the following scale:
- 5 - DEMONSTRATES LEADERSHIP**
 - 4 - EXCEEDS EXPECTATIONS**
 - 3 - MEETS EXPECTATIONS**
 - 2 - NEEDS IMPROVEMENT**
 - 1 - RESISTANT**
 - 0 - HOSTILE**

Ratings are derived from all the information SEAMEC has at its disposal, including but not limited to: information from the face-to-face interview; interview panelists' recommendations; the candidate's voting and sponsorship record; the candidate's written questionnaire (addresses his/her history of activism); media clippings; other organizations' ratings; and information gathered from those in the know. *Note:* The SEAMEC Rating does not necessarily correlate to an average of the interview (letter) grades, e.g. all A's do not necessarily yield an SEAMEC Rating of 5.

- Two other ratings are possible:
- X - NO RATING GIVEN:** This means that SEAMEC has considered but declines to rate this candidate.
 - ? - SEAMEC has INSUFFICIENT INFORMATION** for a rating.

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STONEWALL CITY COUNCIL					
	<u>Position 7</u>				
5	▼ SYLVIA RIVERA	A	B	A	B
4	Jimmy Baldwin <i>i</i>	B	A	B	C
4	William Tipton	B	B	C	B
0	A. Bryant	F	D	F	D

Ratings are listed in order from highest to lowest; identical ratings are listed in order of interview grades (if no interview, "U" beats "di"); further ties are listed alphabetically by candidate's last name.

Judicial candidates are restricted in what they can discuss by "judicial canons," so SEAMEC administers a different questionnaire to judicial candidates in the face-to-face interview. In addition, the subject matter may differ slightly, but the same categories (at right) are used. Furthermore, the scale used for the numerical SEAMEC Overall Rating for judicial candidates is different:

- 5 - HIGHLY RECOMMENDED**
- 4 - RECOMMENDED**
- 3 - ADEQUATE**
- 2 - INADEQUATE**
- 1 - RESISTANT**
- 0 - HOSTILE**

PARTY AFFILIATIONS			
Party affiliation is not listed for non-partisan positions.			
<i>i</i>	Incumbent		
(D)	Democrat	(L)	Libertarian
(G)	Green	(R)	Republican

Letter Grades: To the right of the candidate's name are the letter grades, which are the average of the grades given by the face-to-face interview panelists. (Panels consist of 3-10 volunteers, and these vary from interview to interview.) The scale used is:

- A B C D F**
- Excellent Good Fair Poor Failed**
- The letter grades are given in the following five categories:

- ▼ **Civil Rights and Governance:** includes questions on: employment non-discrimination; civil disobedience; and the role of the courts and the legislature in civil rights issues
- ▼ **Youth & Elder Issues:** includes questions on: GLBT youth in charter schools; openly GLBT school employees; sex education; and Medicaid eligibility
- ▼ **Marriage & Family Issues:** includes questions on: civil and religious marriage; civil unions; DOMA; constitutional amendments; the rights of married people; domestic partner health benefits; and transgender people
- ▼ **Health Issues:** includes questions on: abortion; HIV transmission and funding; gender reassignment; and smoking
- ▼ **Awareness:** includes questions on: the candidate's experience with GLBT people and homophobic attitudes; the role of religion in the legislative process; and people of color.

Other Letters: If a candidate does not have a face-to-face interview with SEAMEC, the following ratings are used:
U - UNABLE TO SCHEDULE interview.
di - DECLINED INTERVIEW. Either declined to be interviewed outright or did not respond to written and verbal invitations.