

# Supreme Court Candidates

Candidates for Supreme Court can be found online at the Secretary of State's Web page:

[www.secstate.wa.gov](http://www.secstate.wa.gov)

or in the Judicial Voters' Pamphlet put out by the Administrator of the Courts and Published as an insert to the Olympian



## Superior Court Judge, Position No. 1

NONPARTISAN CANDIDATES



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### **Gary Andrews**

Gary Andrews has the broad experience to meet the challenges as your next Thurston County Superior Court Judge. A private practice attorney for 16 years, eight years with the Office of the Attorney General and now with the Department of Corrections, Gary Andrews will bring a diverse perspective to the bench. Gary has argued cases in numerous trial courts and state and federal Courts of Appeal. A certified instructor for the Criminal Justice Training Commission with significant arbitration and mediation experience, he served as President of the Thurston County Chamber of Commerce and the Economic Development Council. Gary and his wife, Mary Lee, a teacher, have lived in Thurston County for 28 years. They have two daughters, Carissa and Lea, both graduates of the Olympia School District. "I'm committed to a strong, fair judicial system that addresses the needs of the victims, protects citizens' rights and increases public safety."



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### **M. Joseph (Joe) Sloan**

A judge must possess not only a thorough knowledge of the law, and a willingness to work hard to achieve a just result, but also a lifetime of broad practical experiences to fully appreciate the facts of each case. In 21 years of litigation experience, the last 16 years, I served as an Assistant Attorney General, litigating and providing client advice in a variety of complex matters. I gained substantial jury trial and appellate court experience. In private practice, I represented individual plaintiffs and defendants in personal injury, property damage, divorce, and minor criminal matters, and corporate clients, including insurance companies. I was also a medical malpractice claims examiner. I am a member of the Thurston County Bar Association and a volunteer with the Thurston County Volunteer Legal Clinic. I enjoy being a husband and father, composing, arranging, and recording music, teaching Sunday school, carpentry, and restoring old automobiles.



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### **Chris Wickham**

Chris Wickham has the experience, knowledge, and community values we expect from our judicial leaders. For 13 years, Chris has presided over thousands of court cases as Superior Court Commissioner and earned a reputation as tough but fair. He is a leader in protecting families and children, and places community safety first. Chris helped develop innovative, cost-effective programs that encourage personal accountability, including Unified Family Court and Family Drug Courts. He is the chair of the 2004 Thurston County Domestic Violence Summit.

Chris is active in our community with Senior Services, Rotary, Dispute Resolution Center, UCAN, and the Chamber of Commerce. Chris is a US Navy Vietnam veteran and had his own law office for 10 years. Chris will use his experience in the courtroom and community to improve the way the court works. Please join neighbors, friends, and community leaders: vote Chris Wickham. Endorsements and information at [www.ChrisWickham2004.com](http://www.ChrisWickham2004.com)

## Superior Court Judge, Position No. 1, continued



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### Jim Powers

For 21 years, I have served the citizens of Thurston County as Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, with extensive trial experience in the most serious and complex criminal cases, and have continuously worked to improve the assistance provided to crime victims. I also chaired the committee which created Thurston County's Drug Court. I have bipartisan community support including Sheriff Gary Edwards, County Clerk Betty Gould, Coroner Judy Arnold, County Treasurer Robin Hunt, and Former County Commissioner Judy Wilson. My wife, Julie, and I have been married for 26 years. We have resided in Thurston County with our son since 1983. As Superior Court Judge, I will: hold those who criminally violate the rights of others fully accountable for their actions; support alternatives like Drug Court in appropriate criminal cases; respect the constitutional limitations on the power of judges; and protect citizens from the illegal exercise of governmental power.



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### Vicki Lee Anne Parker

Attorney Vicki Parker, a Washington native, earned her *Juris Doctoris* from Gonzaga University. Initially she pursued private practice in Mt. Vernon but soon moved to Olympia as a Senate attorney for the Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation, and Ecology committees. Later, she worked for WSDOT's Property and Minority and Women Business Enterprise divisions before returning to private practice. In addition to her practice, she currently serves in a judicial capacity as a hearing officer for disciplining lawyers. She also mediates disputes. Active in the State Bar Association, Parker is currently on the Judicial Qualifications and Legal Education committees; in the past she served on the Court Rules and Professional Responsibility committees. She has taught ethics to lawyers around Washington and participated in creating Washington's first Legal Ethics Deskbook. Parker is State Director for Academic Decathlon, Advancement chair for Boy Scout Troop 202 and member of Sacred Heart Parish. Website: <http://www.ElectParkerJudge.com>



## Poll Site Voting Information

This election is a poll site/absentee ballot election.



### Where To Vote:

Vote at your precinct's polling place. The precinct name and number are on your voter registration card. Locations of polling places are listed on pages 46-52. If you need further information, call the Elections Department at the number listed below or check our precinct locator online at [www.co.thurston.wa.us/auditor](http://www.co.thurston.wa.us/auditor)

### When To Vote:

Polls are open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. We suggest that you try to vote between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. or 2:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. For those voters who are voting an absentee ballot and who have not mailed their ballot, ballots may be dropped off at the County Courthouse or at any poll site only on Election Day. Drop off election day ballots before 8:00 p.m.

### How To Vote:

In Thurston County, voters cast their votes by punching out numbered sections of a ballot card. Instructions are provided at the polling place and with absentee ballots.

If you need assistance in casting your ballot, you may ask an election worker.

If you are a person of disability and unable to record your vote, you may be accompanied into the voting booth by any person you choose to assist you or by two election officials, each of a different political party.

### Questions:

If you have any questions, please call the Auditor's Office at: (360) 786-5408.

