

Thurston County Auditor's Office

FILING WEEK: July 26 - 30

**Open Positions for the Primary and/or
General Election Ballots -**

(Current Incumbents Listed)

FEDERAL OFFICES

U.S. President/Vice President -	(Not subject to filing)
George Bush/Dick Cheney	(R) 4 year
U.S. Senator -	Filing Fee \$1,581
Patty Murray	(D) 6 year
U.S. Representative -	Filing Fee \$ 1,581
District No. 3 - Brian Baird	(D) 2 year
District No. 9 - Adam Smith	(D) 2 year
• Must be 25 years old and a U.S. citizen for at least seven years. (U.S. Const., Art. 1, Sec. 2)	

STATE OFFICES

Governor -	Filing Fee \$1,422.86
Gary Locke	(D) 4 year
Lieutenant Governor -	Filing Fee \$743.77
Brad Owen	(D) 4 year
Secretary of State -	Filing Fee \$997.08
Sam Reed	(R) 4 year
State Treasurer -	Filing Fee \$997.08
Mike Murphy	(D) 4 year
State Auditor -	Filing Fee \$997.08
Brian Sonntag	(D) 4 year
Attorney General -	Filing Fee \$1293.51
Christine Gregoire	(D) 4 year
• Candidates must be a member of the Washington State Bar. (RCW 43.10.010)	
Commissioner of Public Lands -	Filing Fee \$1,017.50
Doug Sutherland	(R) 4 year
Supt. of Public Instruction -	Filing Fee \$1,017.50
Teresa "Terry" Bergeson	(NP) 4 year
Insurance Commissioner -	Filing Fee \$997.08
Mike Kreidler	(D) 4 year

STATE OFFICES (cont.)

Legislative Districts

2nd Legislative District	Filing Fee \$335.56
Senator/Representatives -	
Senator - Marilyn Rasmussen	(D) 4 year
Rep. Pos. No. 1 - Roger Bush	(R) 2 year
Rep. Pos. No. 2 - Tom Campbell	(R) 2 year
20th Legislative District	Filing Fee \$335.56
Senator/Representatives -	
Senator - Dan Swecker	(R) 4 year
Rep. Pos. No. 1 - Richard DeBolt	(R) 2 year
Rep. Pos. No. 2 - Gary C. Alexander	(R) 2 year
22nd Legislative District	Filing Fee \$335.56
Senator/Representatives -	
Senator - Karen Fraser	(D) 4 year
Rep. Pos. No. 1 - Sandra Romero	(D) 2 year
Rep. Pos. No. 2 - Sam Hunt	(D) 2 year
35th Legislative District	Filing Fee \$335.56
Senator/Representatives -	
Rep. Pos. No. 1 - Kathy Haigh	(D) 2 year
Rep. Pos. No. 2 - William "Ike" Eickmeyer	(D) 2 year
• Candidates must reside in the district and be a registered voter at the time of filing. (RCW 29A.20.020)	

STATE JUDICIAL

Supreme Court -	Filing Fee \$1,345.84
Position No. 1 - Faith Ireland	(NP) 6 year
Position No. 5 - Barbara Madsen	(NP) 6 year
Position No. 6 - Richard Sanders	(NP) 6 year
• Candidates must be a member of the Washington State Bar. (WA Const., Art. 4, Sec. 17)	

COUNTY OFFICES

County Commissioners -	Filing Fee \$849.36
District No. 1 - Cathy Wolfe	(D) 4 year
District No. 2 - Diane Oberquell	(D) 4 year
• Candidates must reside in the district and be a registered voter at the time of filing.	
• Candidates are nominated by district in the Primary and are voted on county-wide in the General Election.	

2004 Election Calendar (revision date: June 4, 2004)

COUNTY JUDICIAL

Superior Court - Filing Fee \$1,219.72
 Pos. No. 1 - Daniel J. Berschauer (NP) 4 year
 Pos. No. 2 - Paula Casey (NP) 4 year
 Pos. No. 3 - Richard A. (Rick) Strophy (NP) 4 year
 Pos. No. 4 - Wm. Thomas McPhee (NP) 4 year
 Pos. No. 5 - Richard D. Hicks (NP) 4 year
 Pos. No. 6 - Christine A. Pomeroy (NP) 4 year
 Pos. No. 7 - Gary R. Tabor (NP) 4 year

- Must be a member of WA State Bar Association.
- If only one candidate files per position, that candidate is deemed elected and will not appear on the Primary or General Election ballots. (WA Const., Art. 4, Sec. 29)

ADDITIONAL COUNTY OFFICES

Public Utility District Commissioner -
 District No. 2 - Joseph W "Bud" Kerr (NP) 6 year

- No filing fee or petitions required.
- Candidate must live within District 2. (RCW 54.12.010) (*PUD follows County Commissioner district boundaries.*)
- A Primary election occurs if more than two candidates file.
- Nominated by district in the Primary Election.
- Voted on county-wide in the General Election.

Precinct Committee Officer - Filing Fee \$ 1.00
 All precincts in Thurston County for the Democratic, Republican and Libertarian Parties. (D, L & R) 2 year
 (RCW 29A.80.040)

- Candidate must live within the precinct.
- Position voted on by precinct in the Primary Election only.
- Withdrawals of candidacy may be allowed. Refer to RCW 29A.24.131.

FILING INFORMATION

- **Minimum Qualifications for Filing**
 All candidates must reside in the district and be a registered voter at the time of filing. (RCW 29A.20.020)
- **Filing Fees**
 Filing fees are determined by RCW 29A.24.090.
- **Indigent Filing Fee**
 A candidate who lacks sufficient assets or income at the time of filing to pay the filing fee required by law shall submit with his or her Declaration of Candidacy a nominating petition. The petition shall contain not less than a number of signatures of registered voters equal to the number of dollars of the filing fee. The signatures shall be of voters registered to vote within the jurisdiction of the office for which the candidate is filing. (RCW 29A.24.090)
- **Placement of Positions on the Ballot**
 Office position order is determined by RCW 29A.36.120.

FILING INFORMATION (cont.)

- **Filing Dates:**
 Monday, July 26 through 5:00pm Friday, July 30, 2004 (RCW 29A.24.050)
 By mail, notarized with filing fee:
 July 12 - July 30 (RCW 29A.24.080)
 Precinct Committee Officers - July 26 through July 30.
- **Filing Withdrawal Dates:**
 Any candidate may withdraw in writing July 26 - August 5. (RCW 29A.24.120)
Exceptions: PCO (RCW 29A.24.131).
- **Location for Filing for Office:**
 Federal, State, 2nd, 20th and 35th Legislative Dist. and Supreme Court Judges:Secretary of State
 22nd Legislative Dist., County and PUD Commissioners, Superior Court Judges, PCO's:County Auditor
 (RCW 29A.24.070)
 Independent and Minor Party candidates must be nominated by June 26- July 3 through a nominating convention and Certificates of Nomination filed with the County Auditor or Secretary of State's Office. (RCW 29A.20.110, 160)
- **Filing Fee:**
 No Salary..... No Fee
 \$1,000 or less.....\$10.00
 \$1,000 or more.....1% of Salary
 Precinct Committee Officer.....\$1.00
No refunds (RCW 29A.24.090)
- **Write-In Candidates:** Declarations of candidacy must be accompanied by a filing fee. (RCW 29A.24.090)
- **Candidate Order by Lot Drawing:**
 July 30 - 5:00 P.M., Elections Dept. Selection of ballot order by lot for the sample and absentee ballots. (RCW 29A.36.130)
- **Vacancies - Partisan:**

August 6 is the last day for State or County Central Committees to fill vacancies for a position(s) when no one files.

The County Central Committee will fill any State, County, or PCO office voted upon within a single county. The State Central Committee will fill any other office. Filing fee, declaration of candidacy, and certificate of nomination must be submitted at the time of filing.
 (RCW 29A.28.010)

Information contained in this calendar may change due to new legislation, judicial determination, or incumbent resignations.

Title 29A has been referenced throughout. Title 29A takes effect July 1, 2004, and replaces Title 29 of the RCW's.

If the reader finds an error or omission, please contact the Thurston County Election Department at (360) 786-5408.

Revision: June 4, 2004 - call for an updated copy.

Filing Fees and Requirements

22nd Legislative District Filing Fee \$335.56

Senator/Representatives -

Senator - Karen Fraser (D) 4 year
Rep. Pos. No. 1 - Sandra Romero (D) 2 year
Rep. Pos. No. 2 - Sam Hunt (D) 2 year

- Candidates must reside in the district and be a registered voter at the time of filing. (RCW 29A.20.020)

County Commissioners - Filing Fee \$849.36

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Public Utility District Commissioner - Filing Fee \$ 0.00

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(PUD follows County Commissioner district boundaries.)

- Nominated by district in the Primary Election.
- Voted on county-wide in the General Election.
- A Primary election occurs if more than two candidates file.
- No ballot rotation.

Precinct Committee Officer - Filing Fee \$ 1.00

All precincts in Thurston County for the Democratic, Liberatrian, and Republican Parties. (D&R) 2 year

- Candidate must live within the precinct. (RCW 29A.80.040)
- Position voted on by precinct in the General Election only.
- Withdrawals of candidacy may be allowed. Refer to RCW 29A.24.130.



Thurston County Auditor's Office 2004 Elections Calendar

Mark One Up For Democracy

One Vote, Many Voices, One Country

Filing Week: July 26 - 30, 2004

Primary Election: September 14, 2004

General Election: November 2, 2004

Kim Wyman, Auditor



ELECTION DATES AND INFORMATION

ELECTION AND RESOLUTION DATES

2004-2005 Elections	45 Day Resolution Cutoffs:
September 14, 2004	July 30, 2004
November 2, 2004	September 17, 2004
February 8, 2005	December 24, 2004
March 8, 2005	January 21, 2005
April 26, 2005	March 11, 2005
May 17, 2005	April 1, 2005
September 20, 2005	August 5, 2005
November 8, 2005	September 23, 2005

(RCW 29A.04.330, 310)

- **Voter Registration, Change of Name and Address Deadlines:** (RCW 29A.08.140, 135)

Primary—*Saturday, August 14, 2004*

General—*Saturday, October 2, 2004*

A citizen may register and vote by an absentee ballot between 15 & 30 days before an election only at the Thurston County Courthouse.

- **Absentee Ballots and Voters' Pamphlets Available by:**

Primary — *August 25, 2004*

General — *October 13, 2004*

- **Certification/Canvass of Elections:**

Primary — *Friday, September 24, 2004*

General — *Wednesday, November 17, 2004*

(RCW 29A.60.250)

- **Secretary of State Certification:**

Candidates (Primary) --

Monday, August 9, 2004 (RCW 29A.36.010)

Nominees and State Measures (General) --

Monday, September 27, 2004 (RCW 29A.52.320)

ORDER OF APPEARANCE ON THE BALLOT

Primary Election

- **Selection of candidates by lot** for the sample and absentee ballots: July 30 - 5:00 P.M., Elections Dept. (RCW 29A.36.130)
- **No selective Primary:** All positions will appear on the Primary ballot regardless of the number who file except for:
 - Precinct Committee Officers:* Democratic, republican, and Libertarian candidates are elected by precinct. Each party candidate receiving the highest number of votes within the precinct shall be declared elected. However, a candidate must receive at least 10% of the number of votes cast for the candidate of the candidate's party receiving the greatest number of votes in the precinct. (RCW 29A.80.050)
 - Superior Court* will not appear on the Primary or General ballot if only one candidate files. That candidate will be deemed elected. (WA Const, Art 4, Sec 29)
 - Public Utility District* will appear only if three or more candidates file. (RCW 29A.52.220)
- **Non-partisan candidates - PUD:** The top two candidates must each receive at least 1% of the total votes cast for the position sought in order to appear on the General Election ballot. (RCW 29A.36.170)
- **Partisan candidates:** a candidate must receive at least 1% of the total votes cast for all candidates for the position sought, and a plurality of the votes cast for their party for that office, in order to be nominated to the General Election ballot. (RCW 29A.36.190)

General Election

Partisan:

Candidates will appear in the following order: Democrat, Republican, Libertarian, and all minor party candidates. (RCW 29A.36.160)

Non-Partisan:

- **PUD:** Candidate names will appear by most votes cast. If a Primary is not held, the candidate names will be selected by lot. (RCW 29A.36.170)
- **Supreme Court, Court of Appeals, and Superintendent of Public Instruction:** If any candidate receives more than 50% of the total votes cast for that office in the Primary, only that candidate's name will appear on the General Ballot. Otherwise, the two candidates with the highest number of votes cast will appear in the order of most votes received. (RCW 29A.36.170)
- **Superior Court:** In a contested Primary, if any candidate receives more than 50% of the total votes cast, that candidate's name will not appear on the General ballot (nor will the losing candidates). The winning candidate shall be deemed elected, *provided that* there is no write-in campaign with petitions of 100 valid signatures presented within ten days after the Primary Election. (WA Const., Art 4., Sec 29)

AFTER THE GENERAL

• RECOUNTS:

Mandatory Recounts: Occur when less than 2,000 votes and also less than one-half of one percent separate candidates or votes on a statewide measure. If less than one-quarter percent and less than 150 votes difference separates candidates, a hand recount is required. (RCW 29A.64.020, 090)

Requested Recounts: Applications for recounts must be submitted no later than three business days after the official certification. (RCW 29A.64.010)

• WHERE OATHS OF OFFICE ARE FILED:

Federal Officials.....Secretary of State
 State Officials.....Secretary of State
 Supreme, Ct of Appeals.....Secretary of State
 County Officials.....County Auditor
 Superior Court.....County Auditor
 Precinct Committee Officers.....County Auditor

• STATE MEASURES:

Measures approved by the voters become law within 30 days upon proclamation by the Governor. (RCW 29A.60.260)

• NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS ASSUME OFFICE:

- President - *January 20, 2005* (US Const. Amend XX Sec. 1)
- Other Federal - *January 3, 2005* (US Const. Amend XX Sec. 1)
- State Officials - *January 12, 2005* (RCW 43.01.010)
- State Senate/Reps - *January 10, 2005* (RCW 44.04.021)
- Supreme and Superior Courts - *January 10, 2005* (WA Const. Art. 4 Sec. 3, RCW 2.08.070)
- County Officials - *January 1, 2005* (RCW 29A.20.040)
- Precinct Committee Officers - *Nov 17, 2004* (RCW 29A.80.050)

• LEGISLATURE CONVENES JANUARY 10, 2005

PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION:

Candidates must contact the commission within two weeks of announcing their candidacy or collecting or spending campaign funds. Questions: call PDC at (360) 753-1111.

All requests to: Public Disclosure Commission
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 Olympia, WA 98504-0908