Thurston County was created by an act of the Oregon Territorial Legislatures January 12, 1852. The intent at first was to name the area Simmons County for Michael T. Simmons, but upon the news of the sudden death of Samuel Royal Thurston, first Territorial Representative to Congress from Oregon, the name was changed to Thurston "to perpetuate his memory."

The boundaries of the new county encompassed most of what is now Western Washington, reaching from Lewis County to the Canadian border, from the summit of the Cascade Range to the Pacific Ocean. In December, 1852, the counties of Jefferson, Pierce, and King were created from Thurston; others followed.

The first Thurston County officials elected in June, 1852 were: A. J. Simmons, Sheriff; A. M. Poe, County Clerk; Daniel R. Bigelow, Treasurer; R. S. Bailey, Assessor; Edmund Sylvester, Coroner; and A. A. Denny, Sidney S. Ford Sr., and David Shelton, County Commissioners. In the early years, the County Commissioners also acted as judges of the court.

Thus, the year 1852 marked the beginning of organized government of Puget Sound.

1852  FIRST TERM  OLYMPIA, MONDAY, JULY 5, 1852

"At a term of the Board of County Commissioners of Thurston County, Territory of Oregon held at Olympia July 5, 1852, Arthur A. Denny and David Shelton appeared and took the oath of office; appointed Daniel R. Bigelow, Clerk, pro tem, and opened court at 9 o'clock A.M." D. R. Bigelow, Clerk, Pro Tempore

July 6, 1852

Present were: A. A. Denny and David Shelton, Commissioners, A. J. Simmons, Sheriff and D. R. Bigelow, Clerk, pro tem. David Shelton was appointed presiding judge of the County Commissioners court (or Chairman). Voting precincts were designated. Upon drawing lots to determine the terms of office, it was noted that:

A. A. Denny would serve one year
David Shelton, two years
Sidney S. Ford, three years.

Seven school districts were approved on July 7th and two grocery store licenses granted.
September 6, 1852

Commissioners present were A. A. Denny and Sidney Ford, with David Shelton absent. The first order of business was approving the petition of William Packwood for a school district between Olympia and Steilacoom. Packwood was also allowed a ferry license on the Nisqually River, for which he was to pay the county treasurer the sum of one dollar. Fees were also set for passengers and animals. Road districts were designated throughout the entire county.

December 6, 1852

The meeting was adjourned to December 7\textsuperscript{th} as David Shelton was the only commissioner appearing. He was again the lone attendee Tuesday, December 7\textsuperscript{th} so the meeting was adjourned until six o'clock December 8\textsuperscript{th} when Arthur A. Denny arrived from Seattle. A full meeting was held December 9\textsuperscript{th} and 10\textsuperscript{th}.

1853

President Millard Fillmore signed congressional legislation March 3, 1853 creating Washington Territory. Isaac I. Stevens was appointed Territorial Governor by President Pierce. Thurston County census in the summer of 1853: 906.

1853

Sidney S. Ford, Commissioner
David Shelton, Commissioner

Thurston County had only two commissioners during 1853 as King County had been created and that is where A. A. Denny resided. Sessions were scheduled for March, April, July, September, October and December but the two Commissioners seemed to have played "cat and mouse" about attending.

At the September three day session, Ford was the only one arriving each day and the meeting was adjourned to October 3.

David Shelton was the only Commissioner present October 3 and 4 and he ordered the sheriff to go to the Ford's home to see if and when he could attend. Ford was present the next day, but no business was reported.

Business conducted the next day, October 6, including appointing Urban E. Hicks, Clerk with James R. Hurd and Stephen D. Ruddell signing as sureties for his bond. (Hicks was Ruddell's step-son.) Pierce County petitioned for money from Thurston County school funds but were told that all funds had been distributed and there was only $56.52 left in the county treasury. Several "Road Viewers" were appointed.
January 30, 1854

Washington Territorial legislature elected.

February 27, 1854

First Territorial legislature meets at the Gold Bar restaurant.

A corps of county officers were designated in counties where vacancies existed.

April 3, 1854

David Shelton and Sidney S. Ford hold a commissioners meeting.

June 5, 1854

"Messrs Sidney Ford, James McAllister and David J. Chambers appointed members of the Board of County Commissioners for Thurston County by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Washington; sworn in before Clerk Urban E. Hicks, notary public of said county, and thereupon cause the court to be opened in due form."

June 7, 1854

More precincts are formed and election official appointed.

September 7, 1854

Only Chambers and Ford attend.

December 4, 1854

John N. Low, Levis Shelton and Sidney S. Ford sworn in at 9 a.m. (no information as to new election or appointment)

December 6, 1854

Commissioner terms are drawn:

Sidney S. Ford - 3 years
Levi Shelton - 2 years
John N. Low - 1 year

March 5, 1855

John N. Low - Commissioners
Levi Shelton
Sidney Ford - absent at most of the 1855 meetings.

Prohibition was approved in Thurston County in the summer of 1855 but failed to carry in the Territory. 377 votes cast in Thurston County.

December 4, 1855

Levis Shelton - commissioners
Joseph Broshears
Sidney Ford - not attending

March 1856

Levi Shelton
Joseph Broshears (Broshears was listed only at two meetings.)
Sidney Ford - not attending

September 1, 1856

A. J. Chambers, elected Chairman
Joseph Cornell
Sidney Ford - not attending until September 6th.

(results of a July election)

March, 1857

A. J. Chambers
Sidney s. Ford, Sr.
Joseph Cornell

September 7, 1857

Joseph Cornell
James Biles (Biles became Chairman December 7th.)
Andrew J. Chambers

March 2, 1858

James Biles, chairman
Andrew J. Chambers
Joseph Cornell

Entire Year 1859

James Biles, Chairman
Andrew J. Chambers
Joseph Cornell

May, 1860

James Biles, Chairman
Andrew J. Chamberes
Joseph Cornell

August, 1860

Andrew chambers, Chairman
Joseph Cornell
Sidney S. Ford (re-elected)

May 6, 1861

James Biles (appointed in consequence of the action of the territorial legislature)
Andrew Chambers, Chairman
Joseph Cornell

August, 1861

Andrew Chambers, Chairman
G. W. French
G. W. Miller

August 4, 1862

G. W. Miller, Chairman
G. W. French
Stephen D. Ruddell

September 7, 1863

Geo. W. French, Chairman
Stephen D. Ruddell
Joseph Gibson (sworn in to replace G. W. Miller)

August 8, 1864

Stephen D. Ruddell, Chairman
Joseph Gibson
James Dunlap

August 14, 1865
James Dunlap, Chairman  
Abram Tilley  
W. S. Parsons (only listing was attending this meeting)  

July 2, 1866  
James Dunlap, Chairman  
Abram Tilley  
Robert Waddell (replaced Parsons)  

August 5, 1867  
James Dunlap, Chairman  
J. M. Shotwell  
A. W. Cairns  

1868  
James Dunlap, Chairman  
J. M. Shotwell  
A. W. Cairns  

June 28, 1869  
A called session for newly elected board and new chairman  
George A. Barnes, Chairman  
Stephen Hodgden  
Olen Crosby (Clanrick)  

1870  
George A. Barnes, chairman  
Stephen Hodgden  
Clanrick Crosby  

July 5, 1871  
A special session to reorganize the new board. Wm. James was elected, but died before being sworn into office.  
Wm. McLane (appointed to replace James and was named Chairman)  
Ira Ward, Jr.  
Geo. W. French
August 5, 1872

Stephen Hodgden (appointed to replace G. W. French who moved to Olympia)
Wm. McLane, Chairman
Ira Ward, Jr.

February 3, 1873

Benjamin Harned, Chairman
A. S. Yantis
James Longmire

Francis Henry named County Superintendent of the Poor "with authority to relieve the immediate necessities of such persons as are in a destitute condition."

Bounties listed for animal scalps: $2.50, cougar; $2.50, bear; $1.50, wildcat.

1874

Benjamin Harned, Chairman
James Longmire
A. S. Yantis

Special election called July 10 to approve bonds to build railroad from Budd's inlet to Tenino.

February 1, 1875

A. J. Chambers, President
Wm. H. Mitchell
Wm. F. Ogle

1876

A. J. Chambers, President
Wm. H. Mitchell
Wm. F. Ogle

On December 28th, $56.25 was allowed to Daniel R. Bigelow for six month's salary as county school superintendent.

February 5, 1877

A. J. Chambers, Chairman
J. S. French
John M. Swan
1878

Andrew J. Chambers, Chairman
J. S. French
John M. Swan

February 3, 1879

John M. Swan, Chairman District 1
James Longmire District 2
Samuel Davenport District 3

1880

John M. Swan, Chairman
James Longmire
Samuel Davenport

Bounties were raised to $5.00 for cougar scalps, $4.00 for bears; and dropped to $1.00 for wildcats.

February 7, 1881

John M. Swan, Chairman
Joseph Gibson
A. S. McKenzie

A motion to raise school taxes was discussed for four days in August and then "laid on the table."

1882

John M. Swan, Chairman
A. S. McKenzie
Joseph Gibson

Commissioners met for four sessions during the year.

February 5, 1883

A. S. McKenzie, Chairman
J. S. Dobbins
John L. Yantis
August 6, 1883

B. F. Ruth (appointed from Yelm precinct to replace A. S. McKenzie, resigned)

1884

J. S. Dobbins, Chairman
John L. Yantis
B. F. Ruth

First women's names drawn for grand jury and petit jury. None called, nor were any women named election officials.

(Contract let to highest bidder, $5.00 per year, to purchase hay growing on court house lots.)

February 2, 1885

John L. Yantis, Chairman
Geo. B. Capen
A. B. Woodard

(C. B. Mann petitioned to let his cow graze on court house pasture at $10.00 per year)

February 1, 1886

John L. Yantis, Chairman
Geo. B. Capen
Thomas Prather (appointed to replace A. B. Woodard)

(June 28, 1886 the county voted on Prohibition. It carried every precinct except Olympia, whose total negative vote defeated the measure: 649, no; 573, yes.)

February 7, 1887

Geo. B. Capen, Chairman
John L. Yantis
Thomas Prather

May 2, 1887

A. E. Young (replaced John L. Yantis - no reasons listed)

February 6, 1888

Geo. B. Capen, Chairman
A. E. Young
Commissioners appointed special judges and inspectors for May 14 election for delegates to state constitution convention. November 11, 1889, Washington became the 42nd state. Elected to represent Thurston County: Wm. O. Bush and Francis Rotch, Representatives; N. H. Owings, Senate - all Republicans.

Australian ballot system used first time in county elections.

(The number of commissioner meetings increased rapidly as plans were drawn for a new court house.)

$100,000 Court house bond finally approved March, 1891.

(Eighty-six days of commission meetings, many on Saturdays, letting contracts on new court house - which later became the state capitol building at Sixth and Washington Streets)
April 4, 1892

Reece A. Brewer, Chairman
T. C. Van Epps
B. B. Smith

(Eight faced tower clock contract let to a Portland firm over the bid from Talcott. Commission held 139 meeting days.)

January 9, 1893

Despite their vigorous efforts, all three 1892 Commissioners were replaced in the fall election. The outgoing Commissioners stated in their minutes: "The new board of county commissioners being present and the time having arrived to surrender to them the duties and responsibilities of this office, the affairs of the county are therefore placed in their hands. Monday, January 9, 1893."

New Commissioners:

W. C. Israel, Chairman
Thomas Prather
G. W. Osborn

1894

Thomas Prather
W. C. Israel
G. W. Osborn

(With the collapse of Western Washington economic boom, county, city and school warrants went begging for buyers. Commissioners leased the basement of the new court house for a post office.)

1895

F. S. Whalen 3rd District
G. W. Osborn 2nd District
Thomas Prather, Chairman 1st District

(Special county election was called to validate outstanding school warrants. Passed by the necessary 60%).

1896

F. S. Whalen
G. W. Osborn
Thomas Prather, Chairman

January 12, 1897

John Yantis
G. W. Osborn, Chairman
R. A. Brewer

1898

John L. Yantis
G. W. Osborn, Chairman
R. A. Brewer

January 9, 1899

John Byrne, Chairman
John L. Yantis
Geo. W. Mills

1900

John Byrne
John L. Yantis
Geo. W. Mills

January 14, 1901

John Byrne, Chairman
George W. Bell
Thomas Ismay

1902

John Byrne
George W. Bell
Thomas Ismay

January 12, 1903

H. M. Pierce, Chairman
Geo. W. Bell
Robt. M. Paton
October 17, 1903

H. A. Raymond (appointed to replace Bell, who resigned)

1904

H. M. Pierce, Chairman
Robert M. Paton
H. A. Raymond

January 9, 1905

Robert M. Paton
W. H. Mitchell, Chairman
P. J. O’Brien

1906

Robert M. Paton
W. H. Mitchell, Chairman
P. J. O’Brien

January 14, 1907

P. J. O’Brien, Chairman
William Wherrett
Robert E. Pickett

1908

P. J. O’Brien, Chairman
William Wherrett
Robert E. Pickett

(Commission meetings were typed for the first time instead of in the various handwriting of changing clerks!)

January 11, 1909

C. B. Mann, Chairman (Champion B. Mann)
Homer A. Raymond
James A. Van Eaton

1910

C. B. Mann, Chairman
Homer A. Raymond  
James A. Van Eaton 

January 9, 1911 

A. M. Rowe, Chairman  
J. A. Van Eaton  
T. J. McBratney 

1912 

A. M. Rowe  
J. A. Van Eaton  
t. J. McBratney 

January 13, 1913 

A. M. Rowe, Chairman  
T. J. McBratney  
S. C. Gibson 

1914 

A. M. Rowe  
T. J. Mcbratney  
S. C. Gibson 

January, 1915 

B. F. Littlejohn, Chairman  
A. M. Rowe  
T. Ives Dodge  

1st District  
2nd District  
3rd District Bordeaux 

1916 

B. F. Littlejohn, Chairman  
A. M. Rowe  
T. Ives Dodge 

1917 

J. C. Sams  
S. Y. Bennett  
T. Ives Dodge, Chairman  

1st District Olympia  
2nd District Puget  
3rd District Bordeaux 

1918
J. C. Sams
S. Y. Bennett
T. Ives Dodge, Chairman

January 13, 1919

J. C. Sams, Chairman  1st District  Olympia
S. Y. Bennett  2nd District Puget
M. J. Neylon  3rd District Tenino

1920

J. C. Sams, Chairman
S. Y. Bennett
M. J. Nevlon

1921

A. M. Rowe  1st District Olympia
S. Y. Bennett  2nd District Puget
M. J. Neylon  3rd District Tenino

1922

A. M. Rowe
S. Y. Bennett
M. J. Neylon

1923

Fred G. Anderson  1st District Olympia
M. F. Pugsley  2nd District Yelm
M. J. Neylon, Chairman  3rd District Tenino

1924

Fred G. Anderson
M. F. Pugsley
M. J. Neylon, Chairman

1925

Fred G. Anderson, Chairman  1st District Olympia
M. F. Pugsley  2nd District Yelm
J. B. Taylor  3rd District Tenino
1926

Fred G. Anderson, Chairman
M. F. Pugsley
J. B. Taylor

1927

Fred G. Anderson, Chairman  1st District  Olympia
M. F. Pugsley        2nd District  Yelm
J. B. Taylor        3rd District  Tenino

1928

Fred G. Anderson, Chairman
M. F. Pugsley
J. B. Taylor

January 19, 1929

Pearl Cogswell  1st District  Olympia
Frank A. Weir    2nd District  Hicks Lake
J. B. Taylor, Chairman   3rd District  Tenino

1930

Pearl Cogswell
Frank A. Weir
J. B. Taylor, Chairman

1931

Pearl F. Cogswell  1st District  Olympia
Frank W. Weir        2nd District  Hicks Lake
J. B. Taylor, Chairman   3rd District  Tenino

1932

Pearl F. Cogswell, Chairman  1st District  Olympia
S. Y. Bennett    2nd District  Rt. 3
T. H. Richards   3rd District  Tenino

1933

Pearl F. Cogswell
S. Y. Bennett, Chairman  
T. H. Richards  

1934  
Pearl F. Cogswell  1st District  Olympia  
S. Y. Bennett  2nd District  Rt. 3  
T. H. Richards  3rd District  Tenino  

January 14, 1935  
S. Frederick Hansen  1st District  Olympia  
Geo. M. Ashford  2nd District  South Bay  
Tom H. Richards, Chairman  3rd District  Tenino  

1936  
S. Frederick Hansen  
Geo. M. Ashford  
Tom H. Richards, Chairman  

January 11, 1937  
S. Frederick Hansen, Chairman  1st District  Olympia  
Ray Cruikshank  2nd District  Yelm  
Frank N. Palmer  3rd District  Rochester  

1938  
S. Frederick Hansen, Chairman  1st District  Olympia  
Ray Cruikshank  2nd District  Yelm  
Frank N. Palmer  3rd District  Rochester  

January 9, 1939  
John Maguire  1st District  Olympia  
Ray Cruikshank, Chairman  2nd District  Yelm  
Frank N. Palmer  3rd District  Rochester  

1940  
John Maquire  
Ray Cruikshank, Chairman  
Frank N. Palmer
January 1941

John Maguire 1st District Olympia
Ray Cruikshank 2nd District Yelm
Frank N. Palmer, Chairman 3rd District Rochester

1942

John Maquire
Ray Cruikshank, Chairman
Frank N. Palmer

January 11, 1943

John Maquire, Chairman 1st District Olympia
Harry M. Livingston 2nd District Rainier
Joe C. Peters 3rd District Olympia (West side)

1944

John Maguire
Harry M. Livingston
Joe C. Peters, Chairman

January, 1945

Henry W. (Hank) Bolender 1st District Olympia
Harry M. Livingston, Chairman 2nd District Rainier
Joe C. Peters 3rd District Olympia (West side)

1946

Hank Bolender
Harry M. Livingston, Chairman
Joe C. Peters

January, 1947

Hank Bolender 1st District Olympia
Harry M. Livingston 2nd District Rainier
Joe C. Peters, Chairman 3rd District Olympia (West side)

1948

Hank Bolender, Chairman
Harry M. Livingston
Joe C. Peters

January, 1949

Hank Bolender, Chairman  1st District  Olympia
George Elder             2nd District  Route 9
George F. Yantis, Jr.   3rd District  Olympia (West side)

1950

Hank Bolender, Chairman
George Elder
Geogre G. Yantis, Jr.

January 8, 1951

Hank Bolender  1st District  Olympia
George Elder, Chairman  2nd District  Route 9
Walter Mills  3rd District  Rochester

1952

Hank W. Bolender
George Elder, Chairman
Walter Mills

January, 1953

Hank Bolender  1st District  Olympia
George Elder   2nd District  Route 9
Walter Mills, Chairman  3rd District  Rochester

1954

Hank W. Bolender
George Elder
Walter Mills, Chairman

January 10, 1955

Hank Bolender, Chairman  1st District  Olympia
George Elder             2nd District  Route 9
Walter Mills             3rd District  Rochester
1956

Hank Bolender, Chairman  1st District Olympia
George Elder  2nd District Route 9
Walter Mills  3rd District Rochester

January, 1957

Hank Bolender, Chairman  1st District Olympia
George Elder  2nd District Route 9
Walter Mills  3rd District Rochester

1958

Hank Bolender (Died February 5, 1958)
Lyman Hopkins  1st District Olympia (Appointed February 10, 1958)
George Elder  2nd District Route 9
Walter Mills  3rd District Rochester

January 12, 1959

George F. Yantis, Jr.  1st District Olympia
George Elder, Chairman  2nd District Route 9
Walter Mills  3rd District Rochester

1960

George F. Yantis, Jr.
George Elder, Chairman
Walter Mills

January, 1961

Districts no longer listed in minutes

George F. Yantis, Jr.
George Elder
Walter Mills

1962

George F. Yantis, Jr.
George Elder
Walter Mills

January 1963

George F. Yantis, Jr.
1964

George F. Yantis, Jr.
George Elder
Walter Mills, Chairman

January 11, 1965

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Walter Mills died September 5, 1965 in Centralia Hospital.

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January 11, 1971

George F. Yantis, Jr., Chairman
Kenneth Stevens
Homer Hedgepath

1st District Olympia
2nd District Lacey
3rd District Littlerock

1972

George F. Yantis, Jr., Chairman
Kenneth Stevens
Homer Hedgepath

January, 1973

George F. Yantis, Jr., Chairman
Kenneth Stevens
Homer Hedgepath

1st District Olympia
2nd District Lacey
3rd District Littlerock

January 14, 1974

George F. Yantis, Jr.
Kenneth Stevens
Homer Hedgepath, Chairman

1st District Olympia
2nd District Lacey
3rd District Littlerock

January 6, 1975

George F. Yantis, Jr., Chairman
Kenneth Stevens
Marj Yung

1st District Olympia
2nd District Lacey
3rd District Route 6 (appointed)
(Replaced Homer Hedgepath who decided late in December not to run for re-election)

FIRST WOMAN THURSTON COUNTY COMMISSIONER

January 12, 1976

George F. Yantis, Jr.
Kenneth Stevens
Marj Yung, Chairman

1st District Olympia
2nd District Lacey
3rd District Route 6

January 10, 1977

George L. Barner, Jr., Chairman
Del Pettit
Marj Yung

1st District Olympia
2nd District Lacey
3rd District
January, 1978

George L. Barner, Jr.    1st District
Del Pettit            2nd District
Marj Yung, Chairman    3rd District

January, 1979

George L. Barner, Jr.    1st District
Del Pettit            2nd District
W. (Woody) D. Anderson  3rd District

January, 1980

George L. Barner, Jr.    1st District
Del Pettit            2nd District
W. (Woody) D. Anderson  3rd District

January 7, 1981

George L. Barner, Jr.    1st District
Karen Fraser (second woman)  2nd District
W. (Woody) D. Anderson  3rd District

January, 1982

George L. Barner, Jr.    1st District
Karen Fraser, Chairman  2nd District
W. (Woody) D. Anderson  3rd District

January, 1983

George L. Barner, Jr., Chairman    1st District
Karen Fraser            2nd District
Les Eldridge            3rd District

January, 1984

George L. Barner, Jr., Chairman    1st District
Karen Fraser            2nd District
Les Eldridge            3rd District

January 7, 1985

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January 4, 1993
Judy Wilson  
Diane Oberquell, Chairman  
Dick Nichols  
1st District  
2nd District  
3rd District

January, 1994
Judy Wilson  
Diane Oberquell  
Dick Nichols  
1st District  
2nd District  
3rd District

January, 1995
Judy Wilson  
Diane Oberquell  
Dick Nichols  
1st District  
2nd District  
3rd District

January, 1996
Judy Wilson  
Diane Oberquell  
Dick Nichols  
1st District  
2nd District  
3rd District

January, 1997
Judy Wilson  
Diane Oberquell  
Dick Nichols  
1st District  
2nd District  
3rd District

January, 1998
Judy Wilson  
Diane Oberquell  
Dick Nichols  
1st District  
2nd District  
3rd District

January, 1999
Judy Wilson  
Diane Oberquell  
Kevin O'Sullivan  
1st District  
2nd District  
3rd District

January, 2000
Judy Wilson  
Diane Oberquell  
1st District  
2nd District
January 2001

Kevin O'Sullivan     3rd District
Cathy Wolfe          1st District
Diane Oberquell      2nd District
Kevin O'Sullivan     3rd District

January 2002

Cathy Wolfe          1st District
Diane Oberquell      2nd District
Kevin O'Sullivan     3rd District
Bob McLeod           3rd District

January 2003

Cathy Wolfe          1st District
Diane Oberquell      2nd District
Bob McLeod           3rd District

January 2004

Cathy Wolfe          1st District
Diane Oberquell      2nd District
Bob McLeod           3rd District

January 2005

Cathy Wolfe          1st District
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Bob McLeod           3rd District

January 2006

Cathy Wolfe          1st District
Diane Oberquell      2nd District
Bob McLeod           3rd District

January 2007

Cathy Wolfe          1st District
Diane Oberquell      2nd District
Bob McLeod           3rd District
January 2008
Cathy Wolfe 1st District
Diane Oberquell 2nd District
Bob McLeod 3rd District

January 2009
Cathy Wolfe 1st District
Sandra Romero 2nd District
Karen Valenzuela 3rd District

January 2010
Cathy Wolfe 1st District
Sandra Romero 2nd District
Karen Valenzuela 3rd District

January 2011
Cathy Wolfe 1st District
Sandra Romero 2nd District
Karen Valenzuela 3rd District
SUMMARY

One hundred and two persons have been elected or appointed a Thurston County Commissioners as of January 4, 1993: 97 men and five women.

The woman have been:

Marj Yung     elected one term (4 years) 1975-1978
Karen Fraser  elected two terms (8 years) 1981-1988
Diane Oberquell elected two terms (8 years) 1989-1996
Linda Medcalf appointed part of one year 1992
Judy Wilson  elected first term 1993-1996

Numerical Order:

Linda Medcalf was the 100th person elected or appointed, but the 99th person to serve (Wm. James, elected in 1871, died before taking oath).

Dick Nichols (replacing Medcalf November 18, 1992 following his election) is actually the 100th Commissioners sworn in to serve.

Judy Wilson is the 102nd person to be elected or appointed and the 101st to server as a Thurston County Commissioner.

Longest Service:

George F. Yantis, Jr., 1st District First Term: 1949-1950 (two years); one two year term, four 4-year terms, 1959-1970 (18 years) for a total of twenty years.

George Elder, 2nd District Completed four consecutive terms 1949-1964 for sixteen years.

George L. Barner, 1st District Completed four consecutive terms 1977-1992. Started as Chairman and ended as Chairman. Served 16 years.

Walter Mills, 2nd District (Rochester) Elected four terms starting 1951, died in 1965. Served 15 1/2 years.


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