



**Seattle Metropolitan Elections Committee  
for Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgendered People**  
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Dear Candidate:

The SEAMEC Steering Committee would like to invite you to fill out the attached questionnaire which is designed to help us determine:

- your qualifications, background and experience for the position you seek, and
- your activities on behalf of the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (GLBT) communities.

**Thank you!**

**CANDIDATE NAME: Doug Schafer**

**POSITION SOUGHT: State Supreme Court, Position 4**

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**PLEASE CIRCLE ONE: ~~INCUMBENT~~ CHALLENGER ~~OPEN SEAT~~**

My signature below indicates that the answers to the attached questionnaire are an accurate portrayal of my views and personal history.

**SIGNATURE: *Doug Schafer***

**1. What community, civic and/or volunteer organizations do you belong to, and to what extent are you involved?** See <http://www.doug4justice.org> Active in the fledgling (handful of us) Pierce County Chapter of ACLU in last 2-3 years (help to man information booth at events, run meetings, "show the flag" for ACLU at local events, supported Tacoma gay rights ordinance passage in spring 2002; Tacoma Kiwanis Club (former board member, irregular attendance at lunch gatherings, 13-year Terrific Kids school presenter/photographer); former board member of American Red Cross, Tacoma-Pierce County Chapter, and former first aid/CPR instructor; weekly attendance at a folkdancing group; now becoming involved re-opening Phoebe House, a homeless women's shelter program; I was active in Crystal Mountain Volunteer Ski Patrol most of my adult life (now retired).

**2. What will be your priorities as a newly elected official?**

Initiate reforms of lawyers' Rules of Professional Conduct -- specifically the adoption of the recommendations of the ABA Ethics 2000 Commission and consideration of the new recommendations for mandatory lawyer reporting of crime and fraud as recommended by the new ABA Task Force on Corporate Responsibility, implementation and enforcement of mandatory reporting by professionals of misconduct of peers (as ABA Model Rules have provided since 1983, but WA rejected in 1985).

**3. What do you think are the most important issues facing gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered persons in your constituency? Do these issues differ from the most important issues facing your constituency as a whole?**

I think the GLBT's most important issue is the addition of GLBT as a protected class in the State Law Against Discrimination and in similar non-discrimination laws. The 1997 vote on Initiative 677 informs me that considerable public education is needed before the general state population will support the inclusion of sexual orientation and gender identity among the listings of traditional protected classes (e.g., race, religion, ethnicity, sex, etc.)

**4. Outside of the legislative arena, have you done any of the following in the last four years?** *(Please provide supportive documentation, as appropriate, so that SEAMEC can be more accurate in its rating of you.)*

- donated money to a GLBT organization or cause  
Which? **No.**
- marched in a Pride Day march  
Where? **No.**
- signed a petition for a GLBT organization or cause  
Which? **I think that I signed something supporting the 2002 Tacoma gay rights ordinance.**
- been or become a member of a GLBT organization  
Which? **In what capacity? I attended 3 or 4 public meetings supporting the 2002 Tacoma gay rights ordinance, and some anti-repeal TUFF group gathering.**
- circulated petitions for a GLBT organization or cause (eg. I-677)

Which? **No**

- raised money for a GLBT organization or cause

Which? **No**

- hired GLBT staffers

For what position/s? **No, I have no staff.**

- made a speech or public statement for a GLBT organization or cause

Which? When? To whom? **3 or 4 public meetings prior to Tacoma ordinance adoption.**

- (co-)sponsored an initiative or measure in a group or organization which primarily affected GLBT persons?

Please specify. **No**

**5. Please describe your record on the following issues, either as an elected official or a voting citizen:**

	supported	opposed	qualified*
DOMA (limiting marriage rights)(federal, 1996)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	unaware <input type="checkbox"/>
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I-677 (employment non-discrimination)(WA, 1997)	<input type="checkbox"/>	voted no <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
ENDA (employment non-discrimination)(federal, 1996)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	unaware <input type="checkbox"/>
I-692 (legalizing medical marijuana)(WA, 1998)	voted yes	❖ <input type="checkbox"/> ▼* voted no	<input type="checkbox"/>
I-200 (limiting affirmative action)(WA, 1998)			
Right of homosexuals to adopt children	now supportive		<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>

\* please attach an explanation on a separate sheet

**6. Other than SEAMEC, have you taken your campaign to a specifically GLBT audience?**

To date, I have only responded to groups that have sought me out. My public candidacy only began on July 26, 2002, when I filed for office. I am campaigning mainly via my website (<http://www.doug4justice.org>), official voters pamphlets, interviews by rating groups and special interest groups, and candidate forums.

**7. Whom would you consult to help you decide an issue that involves our community?**

To the extent judicial ethics rules would permit me to consult on an issue (not concerning a pending case, but concerning pending rules and policies), I would likely first consult my cousin David and selected other persons who have informed me that they are gay or lesbians. If group input were appropriate, I would not likely contact John McClusky (Triangle Square) or Lauri Jenkins (who I don't claim to know well, but have spoken to several times concerning the Tacoma ordinance).

**8. Why should the GLBT community vote for you?**

Because I am a 53-year-old guy with an open mind who recently made the effort to become informed (for the first time) about what researchers have learned about GLBT folks. As a

result, I now am accepting of GLBT'ers the same as I accept left-handed or red-haired people. I previously assumed that GLBT was a chosen course, and I felt it would be long-term harmful to society if we validated GLBT choices as a form of normalcy. I will now openly admit that I was ignorantly uninformed.

**9. Please attach a biography, resume or CV including career history, education and length of residences. Also, please enclose any campaign literature you wish.**

Please see my websites for more literature than you might wish:

<http://www.doug4justice.org>

<http://www.EvergreenEthics.com>

<http://www.DougSchafer.com>

<http://www.GuardianFailure.com>

*Thank you for completing this questionnaire.*

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