



Auditor

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Education: Clover Park and University of Washington Tacoma; Graduate fellow, Institute for Court Management

Occupation: Chief Deputy Kitsap County Clerk

Professional Qualifications: Preparing, managing and balancing multi-million dollar budgets, managing labor relations, securing evidence, twice appointed acting County Clerk, county trainer and published author.

Personal Information: Married, four children; loyal, honest public employee.

Community Involvement: President Pierce County Arts Commission, past chair University of Washington Tacoma Alumni Association, past president Tacoma Little Theatre Board, member City Club, Pacific Peaks Girl Scouts Board, Tacoma Urban League, Volunteer Attorney Service Board, Audubon Society, Gallon Club of Blood Donors, Domestic Violence volunteer award recipient.

Personal Views: Ethics: No grandstanding; no games; just trustworthy, efficient public service. **Integrity:** Alison is known as a hard-working, straight-shooter who will stand up and speak out for what is right. She believes in open government, citizen participation and accountability. **Experience:** 30 years experience respecting public money and honoring public trust. **Endorsed** by Bill Baarsma, Harold Moss, Central Labor Council, Firefighters #31, Police #26, Senators Wojahn and Kastama, Representatives Fisher and Conway, School Board Member Kathy Orlando, supported by the union that represents her current employees; but the most important endorsement is your vote. **Hire Alison Sonntag. She'll Make You Proud!**



Pat McCarthy
Democrat

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Education: B.A., Cum Laude, Liberal Studies, University of Washington, Tacoma - June - 1992.

Occupation: Pierce County Chief Deputy Auditor

Professional Qualifications: *Washington State* Certified Election Administrator, *Nationally* Certified Public Official in Management, Recording and Elections, *National* Certification in Elections/Voter Registration Administration.

Personal Information: My husband of 27 years, John, and I have 4 children. I love to cook, read and paddle dragonboats.

Community Involvement: Past Tacoma School Board Member - Elected 2 terms/served 12 years. Current Member - Tacoma South Rotary, Eastern Chamber of Commerce, City Club, and 27th District Democrats.

Personal Views: As Chief Deputy Auditor in Pierce County the past 3 ½ years I am the only candidate with **expert hands-on, relevant experience** to be Auditor. I have the professional qualifications, practical knowledge, leadership skills and proven record of commitment to be your Auditor. As Voter Outreach Coordinator, I organized the "Voter Hall of Fame" and "Voting is Cool" Programs. I **guarantee fair and honest elections** and will continue to **provide outstanding customer service** to the citizens of Pierce County. I will approach future challenges and opportunities using a **common sense and collaborative approach to managing change** and applying technology. I am dedicated to providing the **professionalism - not politics** necessary to keep the democratic process strong and stable in Pierce County.



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Occupation:

Professional Qualifications:

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Personal Views: I believe the number one issue in the 2002 County elections ought to be the illegal and unethical election practices used by the person who runs Pierce County elections and current county council members who have attempted to protect these practices. **Fact #1.** All Pierce County elections are run by the Pierce County Auditor. (A public office that all Pierce County citizens get to vote on.) **Fact #2.** The Pierce County Auditor also runs the licensing department. (You know, where you pay for your car tabs.) **Fact #3.** Three of the last five Auditors who have been "elected" - **including current Auditor Cathy Pearsall-Stipek** - have ended up on the losing end of court cases as a direct result of their actions on the job while in office. (That's every other auditor for the last 59 years.) **Fact #4.** Two of those three Auditors went to jail. **Fact #5.** Tuesday, January 9, 1996, Cathy Pearsall-Stipek closed over 150 voting precincts throughout Tacoma and Pierce County and forced 24,000 citizens in those precincts to vote by mail, whether they wanted to or not. (The Auditor eventually backed down only after months of public outrage.) **For more information: www.piercecountyinsider.com**



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Republican
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Education: College Honors Graduate, Business Major.

Occupation: Retired; successful corporate business administrator and business owner.

Professional Qualifications: Successful business administrator; Successful pro se attorney; Expert on county and state government; Expert on election laws and procedures.

Personal Information: Married, four children; USAF Veteran; 50 year resident; 39 year property owner; Former Teamster and Retail Clerks union member.

Community Involvement: Church Officer; taught Sunday School and pro se law classes; Coached youth sports; Active in civic affairs; **Dale worked with Puyallup narcotic officers to shutdown suspected Meth Lab; Dale's writ stopped spending of \$200,000,000 of taxpayers money for defective garbage incinerator; Dale helped save Fairfax property for Pierce County Citizens.; Dale's Referendum 93-1 saved Taxpayers \$16,000,000; Dale originated Political Contract with voters.**

Personal Views: I personally defended *Truth and Justice* against perjury in the Washington State Supreme Court and won; In the Recall Of Pearsall-Stipek 141 Wn.2d 756. ***It's Time for A Breath Of Fresh Air in the Auditor's Office.*** I vow to be incorruptible and make ethics and Integrity foremost in the auditor's office. *I will install safeguards to protect voted ballots from being altered and track each ballot printed. It's time to stop recycling stagnant officials. Start fresh! Please hire me as your auditor. In God I Trust,* Dale Washam



Auditor



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Education: BA, Business, UPS. Highway-Civil Engineering-Tech, Bates.

Occupation: Pierce County Councilmember

Qualifications: Former Washington State Legislator, Assessor-Treasurer, Executive Pro Tem of the Council, Chair of County Performance Audit Committee and Criminal Justice Task Force, member Pierce Transit board, Health board, Domestic Violence Commission, and the Regional Transportation Committee.

Personal Information: Born and raised in Pierce County. Married, three children and four grandchildren. Former owner, Wendell Brown Insurance agency. Served in United States Air Force.

Community Involvement: Elks 174, SE Lions, Chair Centro Latino board, Amvets, Disabled American Veterans, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and Boys and Girls Club.

Personal Views: Changes need to be made. Priorities I have for the Auditor's office: 1) Save money and improve participation. The Auditor's budget has gone up substantially since 1992, yet voter participation has not increased. The Auditor should work to improve participation, not just increase voter registration. We should encourage participation by working with citizens and providing choices. 2) Help improve public safety. The Auditor can play a larger role in county government. The Auditor should be working with the Sheriff, city police and the Washington State Patrol to administratively help reduce stolen vehicles and assist in efforts to combat the growing methamphetamine problem. 3) Improve access to information.