

Washington State Racial and Ethnic Minority Judges

Asian American Judges in Washington

District and Municipal Courts

<i>Ron A. Mamiya Seattle Municipal Court</i>	<i>1981</i>	<i>Appointed</i>
<i>C. Kimi Kondo Seattle Municipal Court</i>	<i>1986</i>	<i>Appointed</i>
<i>Mark C. Chow King County District Court</i>	<i>January 14, 1991</i>	<i>Appointed</i>
<i>Eileen A. Kato King County District Court</i>	<i>June 20, 1994</i>	<i>Appointed</i>
<i>Alicia H. Nakata Chelan County District Court</i>	<i>January 3, 1995</i>	<i>Elected</i>
<i>Tam T. Bui Snohomish County District Court</i>	<i>January 8, 2007</i>	<i>Elected</i>

Superior Court

<i>Dean S. Lum King County Superior Court</i>	<i>June 30, 1998</i>	<i>Appointed</i>
<i>Ellen K. Clark Spokane County Superior Court</i>	<i>July 1, 1999</i>	<i>Appointed</i>
<i>Mary I. Yu King County Superior Court</i>	<i>April 1, 2000</i>	<i>Appointed</i>
<i>Mariane C. Spearman King County Superior Court</i>	<i>January 12, 2009</i>	<i>Elected</i>

Court of Appeals

<i>Linda Lau Court of Appeals</i>	<i>January 23, 1995</i>	<i>Appointed</i>
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African American Judges in Washington

District and Municipal Courts

<i>George W. Holifield Seattle Municipal Court</i>	<i>May 19, 1980</i>	<i>Appointed</i>
<i>Fred Bonner Seattle Municipal Court</i>	<i>1989</i>	<i>Appointed</i>
<i>Judith Hightower Seattle Municipal Court</i>	<i>January 21, 1991</i>	<i>Elected</i>
<i>Edsonya Charles Seattle Municipal Court</i>	<i>January 23, 2005</i>	<i>Appointed</i>

Superior Court

<i>Patricia Hall Clark King County Superior Court</i>	<i>May 1, 1998</i>	<i>Appointed</i>
<i>Frank Cuthbertson Pierce County Superior Court</i>	<i>March 5, 2001</i>	<i>Appointed</i>
<i>Beverly G. Grant Pierce County Superior Court</i>	<i>April 21, 2003</i>	<i>Appointed</i>
<i>Philip G. Hubbard King County Superior Court</i>	<i>January 13, 1997</i>	<i>Elected</i>
<i>LeRoy McCullough King County Superior Court</i>	<i>November 8, 1989</i>	<i>Appointed</i>
<i>Theodore F. Spearman Kitsap County Superior Court</i>	<i>March 1, 2004</i>	<i>Appointed</i>
<i>J. Wesley Saint Clair King County Superior Court</i>	<i>June 8, 2004</i>	<i>Appointed</i>
<i>Cameron Mitchell Franklin County Superior Court</i>	<i>July 1, 2004</i>	<i>Appointed</i>
<i>Eric Z. Lucas Snohomish County Superior Court</i>	<i>January 10, 2005</i>	<i>Elected</i>
<i>Monica J. Benton King County Superior Court</i>	<i>March 3, 2008</i>	<i>Appointed</i>

Court of Appeals

<i>Ronald E. Cox Court of Appeals</i>	<i>January 9, 1995</i>	<i>Elected</i>
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Latino American Judges in Washington

District and Municipal Courts

<i>Michael S. Hurtado Seattle Municipal Court</i>	<i>September 1, 1993</i>	<i>Appointed</i>
<i>Terry L. Jurado Renton Municipal Court</i>	<i>January 4, 1999</i>	<i>Appointed</i>
<i>Gregory M. Gonzales Battleground Municipal Court</i>	<i>November 10, 2005</i>	<i>Appointed</i>
<i>Veronica Alicea-Galvan Des Moines Municipal Court</i>	<i>September 14, 2007</i>	<i>Appointed</i>

Superior Court

<i>Sergio Armijo Pierce County Superior Court</i>	<i>November 1, 1994</i>	<i>Appointed</i>
<i>Mary I. Yu King County Superior Court</i>	<i>April 1, 2000</i>	<i>Appointed</i>
<i>Steven C. González King County Superior Court</i>	<i>March 1, 2002</i>	<i>Appointed</i>

Note

In the State of Washington, all judges are required by law to be non-partisan regardless of the party of the appointing authority. When appointed, they must stand for election at the next general election. Although initially appointed, all judges will have been subsequently elected for specified terms (normally four years except for appellate court which is six years).

State court judges (Superior Court and Court of Appeals) are appointed by the incumbent governor. County district court judges are appointed by the county commissioners. Municipal court judges are appointed by mayors and city councils.