

THE SUPREME COURT OF WASHINGTON

IN THE MATTER OF THE RENEWAL OF THE)
GENDER AND JUSTICE COMMISSION)

**AMENDED
ORDER**

NO. 25700-B-725

WHEREAS, the Washington State Supreme Court, on June 29, 1994, established the Washington State Gender and Justice Commission to identify concerns and make recommendations regarding the equal treatment of all parties, attorneys, and court employees in the State courts;

WHEREAS, the Commission promotes gender equality through researching, recommending, and supporting the implementation of best practices; providing educational programs that enhance equal treatment of all parties; and serving as a liaison between the courts and other organizations in working toward communities free of bias;

WHEREAS, it was established that the Commission should be renewed for a period of five (5) years, subject to renewal for additional years as may be determined by the Court; and

WHEREAS, upon review of the activities of the Commission since its creation, the Court now determines that the Commission should be a permanent standing Commission of the Court, subject to further review as necessary by this Court;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

ORDERED:

That the Washington State Gender and Justice Commission shall be a permanent standing Commission of this Court. The Commission shall continue its operation without interruption and shall proceed according to its established organization and program.

The Washington State Gender and Justice Commission shall continue with twenty-three
(23) representatives from among the following:


Supreme Court
Court of Appeals
Trial Court Judges
Bar Associations
Administrator for the Courts
Clerk of Courts
Attorneys
Trial Court Administrators
College or University Professor
Citizens


The Chief Justice shall continue to make appointments to the Commission and, in so
doing, the Chief Justice shall ensure that racial and ethnic minority groups are represented.

Staff for the Commission will continue to be provided by the Administrative Office of the
Courts, subject to budget considerations.

The Commission shall file a report of its activities and accomplishments with the
Governor, Legislature, and Chief Justice on a regular basis.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, this 5th day of March, 2025.


Madsen, J.
González, J.
Helen McLeod, J.


Lu, J.
Montgomery, J.
Whitener J.
Mungia, J.