

# Explanation of Ratings

## ENDORSEMENT

SEAMEC endorsements (marked in **BOLD CAPITAL** letters and by a ✓) are granted by a 2/3 majority of the SEAMEC Steering Committee, in recognition of a clear choice of importance to the LGBT community, or in recognition of a distinguished history of activism on behalf of the LGBT community.

## FAIRNESS RATING SCALE

The numerical **SEAMEC Fairness Rating** uses the following scale:

- 5 - DEMONSTRATES LEADERSHIP**
- 4 - EXCEEDS EXPECTATIONS**
- 3 - MEETS EXPECTATIONS**
- 2 - NEEDS IMPROVEMENT**
- 1 - RESISTANT**
- 0 - HOSTILE**

Ratings are derived from all information available to the SEAMEC Steering Committee, including but not limited to:

- Information from the in-person interview
- Interview panelists' recommendations
- The candidate's voting and sponsorship record
- The candidate's written questionnaire (addresses his/her history of activism)
- Media clippings
- Other organizations' ratings
- Information gathered from "political insiders"

See our website for a more detailed explanation of each rating.

*Please Note: The numerical SEAMEC Candidate Rating does not necessarily correlate to the interview (letter) grades, e.g. all A's do not necessarily yield a SEAMEC Candidate Rating of 5.*

✓Candidate	C	E	R	M	G	H	A
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## STONEWALL CITY COUNCIL

Position	7						
✓SYLVIA RIVERA	5	A	B	A	A	A	B
Jimmy Baldwin, i	4	B	A	B	C	A	B
William Tipton	4	U					
Alexander T. Great	3	A	A	A	A	A	A
A. Bryant	0	F	D	F	D	D	F

Ratings are listed in order from highest to lowest; identical ratings are listed in order of interview grades (if no interview, "U" and "NI" beat "di"); further ties are listed alphabetically by candidate's last name.

Two other ratings are possible:

- ? **UNKNOWN:** SEAMEC has insufficient information to determine a rating.
- X **NO RATING GIVEN:** This means that SEAMEC has considered but has declined to rate the candidate.

## JUDICIAL RATING SCALE

Judicial candidates are restricted in what they can discuss by "judicial canons," so SEAMEC administers a different questionnaire to judicial candidates in the in-person interview. In addition, the subject matter may differ slightly, but the same categories (at right) are used unless noted.

Furthermore, the scale used for the numerical SEAMEC Candidate Rating for judicial candidates is different:

- 5 - HIGHLY RECOMMENDED**
- 4 - RECOMMENDED**
- 3 - ADEQUATE**
- 2 - INADEQUATE**
- 1 - RESISTANT**
- 0 - HOSTILE**

## INTERVIEW GRADES

To the right of the SEAMEC Candidate Rating are the interview letter grades, which are the median

grades given by the in-person interview panelists. (Panels typically consist of 3-8 volunteers, the total number of which varies from interview to interview.) The scale used by the interview panelists is as follows:

**A B C D F**  
**Excellent Good Fair Poor Failed**

## CANDIDATE INDICATORS

After the candidate's name there may be one or two symbols.

- i **INCUMBENT CANDIDATE.** The candidate currently holds the position and is running for re-election.
- ▼ **OPENLY LGBT CANDIDATE.** In 2006, at the request of SEAMEC members, we added this symbol to indicate openly LGBT candidates.

## 2018 INTERVIEW CATEGORIES

The questions are asked in six categories. The categories and the question topics are:

- **Equality (E)**
- **Relationships (R)**
- **Sexual Misconduct (M) \*New 2018**
- **Age and Gender (G)**
- **Health and Safety (H)**
- **Awareness (A)**

## OTHER INTERVIEW INDICATORS

If a candidate did not complete an in-person interview with SEAMEC, the following indicators are used:

- U **UNABLE TO SCHEDULE** interview.
- di **DECLINED INTERVIEW.** Either declined to be interviewed outright or did not respond to written and verbal invitations.
- NI **NOT INTERVIEWED.** Due to limited resources, SEAMEC did not request an in-person interview with this candidate in this election cycle.
- NS **NO SHOW.** Did not show up for a scheduled interview.



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## 2018 PRIMARY ELECTION Candidate Ratings and Endorsements

**BALLOTS DUE TUESDAY,  
AUGUST 7, 2018**

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*Additional information, detailed explanations for most candidates, written questionnaires, and member feedback available on our website at*

<http://www.voteseamec.org>.

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Friday, September 14. Details inside!

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2018 Primary Election

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U.S. SENATE

Senator

Table of U.S. Senate candidates with SEAMEC ratings and party affiliations.

U.S. CONGRESS

Congressional District 1

Table of U.S. Congressional District 1 candidates.

Congressional District 7

Table of U.S. Congressional District 7 candidates.

Congressional District 8

Table of U.S. Congressional District 8 candidates.

Table of State Representative candidates.

Congressional District 9

Table of Congressional District 9 candidates.

WASHINGTON STATE

Legislative District 1

State Representative, Position 1

Table of State Representative Position 1 candidates.

State Representative, Position 2

Table of State Representative Position 2 candidates.

Legislative District 5

State Representative, Position 1

Table of State Representative Position 1 candidates.

State Representative, Position 2

Table of State Representative Position 2 candidates.

Legislative District 11

State Representative, Position 1

Table of State Representative Position 1 candidates.

State Representative, Position 2

Table of State Representative Position 2 candidates.

Legislative District 30

State Senator

Table of Legislative District 30 candidates.

State Representative, Position 1

Table of State Representative Position 1 candidates.

State Representative, Position 2

Table of State Representative Position 2 candidates.

State Representative, Position 1

Table of State Representative Position 1 candidates.

State Representative, Position 2

Table of State Representative Position 2 candidates.

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Legislative District 31

State Senator

Table of Legislative District 31 candidates.

State Representative, Position 1

Table of State Representative Position 1 candidates.

State Representative, Position 2

Table of State Representative Position 2 candidates.

Legislative District 32

State Senator

Table of Legislative District 32 candidates.

State Representative, Position 1

Table of State Representative Position 1 candidates.

State Representative, Position 2

Table of State Representative Position 2 candidates.

Legislative District 33

State Senator

Table of Legislative District 33 candidates.

State Representative, Position 1

Table of State Representative Position 1 candidates.

State Representative, Position 2

Table of State Representative Position 2 candidates.

Legislative District 34

State Senator

Table of Legislative District 34 candidates.

State Representative, Position 1

Table of State Representative Position 1 candidates.

State Representative, Position 2

Table of State Representative Position 2 candidates.

State Representative, Position 1

Table of State Representative Position 1 candidates.

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State Representative, Position 1

Table of State Representative Position 1 candidates.

State Representative, Position 2

Table of State Representative Position 2 candidates.

Legislative District 36

State Senator

Table of Legislative District 36 candidates.

State Representative, Position 1

Table of State Representative Position 1 candidates.

State Representative, Position 2

Table of State Representative Position 2 candidates.

Legislative District 37

State Senator

Table of Legislative District 37 candidates.

State Representative, Position 1

Table of State Representative Position 1 candidates.

State Representative, Position 2

Table of State Representative Position 2 candidates.

Legislative District 39

State Senator

Table of Legislative District 39 candidates.

State Representative, Position 1

Table of State Representative Position 1 candidates.

State Representative, Position 2

Table of State Representative Position 2 candidates.

State Representative, Position 1

Table of State Representative Position 1 candidates.

Legislative District 41

State Representative, Position 1

Table of Legislative District 41 candidates.

State Representative, Position 2

Table of State Representative Position 2 candidates.

Legislative District 43

State Senator

Table of Legislative District 43 candidates.

State Representative, Position 1

Table of State Representative Position 1 candidates.

State Representative, Position 2

Table of State Representative Position 2 candidates.

Legislative District 45

State Senator

Table of Legislative District 45 candidates.

State Representative, Position 1

Table of State Representative Position 1 candidates.

State Representative, Position 2

Table of State Representative Position 2 candidates.

Legislative District 46

State Senator

Table of Legislative District 46 candidates.

State Representative, Position 1

Table of State Representative Position 1 candidates.

Table of PARTY PREFERENCES with codes for various political ideologies.

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