

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 GENERAL ELECTION

Candidate Ratings and Endorsements

BALLOTS DUE TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2018

Feel free to copy and distribute these ratings!

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

<http://www.voteseamec.org>

SEAMEC Candidate Ratings

2018 General Election

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U.S. SENATE

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U.S. CONGRESS

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WASHINGTON STATE

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Legislative District 11

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Legislative District 30

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Legislative District 31

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State Representative, Position 2

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Legislative District 33

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Legislative District 34

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State Representative, Position 1

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State Representative, Position 2

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Legislative District 39

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Legislative District 41

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Legislative District 46

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Legislative District 47

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KING COUNTY

King County Prosecutor

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OTHER COUNTIES

LGBTQ Candidates in Clark, Kitsap, Pierce, and Snohomish Counties endorsed by SEAMEC.

Legislative District 18

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Legislative District 21

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Legislative District 26

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Legislative District 27

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*** NOTE ON 47TH DISTRICT SEN. JOE FAIN: SEAMEC is aware of and is concerned by the allegations against Sen. Fain. Until the investigation is completed, and because of his strong history of support for LGBTQ equality as a Senator, we are leaving his 2018 Primary ratings undisturbed.

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IMPORTANT NOTE FROM SEAMEC

This election year will determine the future direction of our state and nation. Our equality as LGBTQ citizens hangs in the balance. It is crucial that everyone exercise their right to vote and encourage friends, family members, and associates to do the same by November 6th.

With Equality for All, The SEAMEC Steering Committee

Table with columns: PARTY PREFERENCES, D Democrat, GOP Grand Ole Party, I Independent, IR Ind. Republican, L Libertarian, R Republican

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