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Page 1: ALL CANDIDATES: Welcome

Q1

Your information

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Q2

Yes

I have read instructions at the top of this page

Page 2: ALL CANDIDATES: Campaign Contact Information

Q3

Campaign contact information

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Q4

Candidate name pronunciation (optional)

Don

Q5

Respondent skipped this question

Candidate pronouns (optional)

Q6

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Q7

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Q8

Campaign Consultant information (optional)

Respondent skipped this question

Q9

Other Campaign Contact information (optional)

Respondent skipped this question

Q10

Other paid staff or full-time volunteers (optional)

Respondent skipped this question

Q11

Additional Campaign contact information (all optional)

Respondent skipped this question

Q12

URL to Headshot (optional)

Respondent skipped this question

Page 3: ALL CANDIDATES: Yes / No Questions

Q13

Are you a Democrat?

Yes

Q14

Yes/No Questions

	Yes / No / Qualifie d
Have you ever been a member of another political party?	No
Have you ever been found in violation of a Public Disclosure Commission, Federal Election Commission, or Seattle Ethics and Elections Commission regulation?	No
Do you have a code of conduct for staff and volunteers?	Yes
If you have paid campaign staff, would you support them joining a labor union?	Yes
Is there anything from your past that might hamper your success as a candidate?	No
Do you support employees of your jurisdiction (e.g. your city's employees, the Port's employees, etc.) exercising their collective bargaining rights without fear of retaliation; including the right to bargain and strike for better working conditions and pay?	Yes
Are you willing to have yourself, your staff and your peers undergo training to understand and combat institutional racism and implicit bias?	Yes
Are you willing to have yourself, your staff and your peers undergo training to understand and combat sexual harassment?	Yes
Will your campaign be accepting contributions from corporate fossil fuel PACs?	No
Will your campaign be accepting contributions from corporate pharmaceutical PACs?	No
Will your campaign be accepting contributions from corporate health insurance PACs?	No
Will your campaign be accepting contributions from corporate building industry PACs; including the Building Industry Association of Washington (BIAW) and National Association of Home Builders?	No
Will your campaign be accepting contributions from police guilds or sheriffs' organizations?	No
Will you denounce contributions that you don't support from companies who support your campaign anyway?	Yes
Have you previously participated or will you be participating in a candidate training program like Institute for a Democratic Future or Emerge?	Yes

Q15

For any yes/no questions you answered "qualified" please explain:

We participated in the Seattle Voucher Training Program . To let the citizens have a true say.

Q16

Respondent skipped this question

Please describe your background (education, employment, community and civic activity, labor union affiliation etc.)

Q17

Respondent skipped this question

Please describe your history of involvement (if any), with particular emphasis on the last five years, in local, regional, and/or state politics.

Q18

Respondent skipped this question

Please describe the progress of your campaign and goals. How do you plan to win?

Q19

Respondent skipped this question

What issues do you think deserve more attention from media or elected officials? How would you seek to remedy that through your campaign or when elected?

Q20

Respondent skipped this question

How do you plan to involve all residents and engage all communities in the decision making process? How would you work with people who lack trust in our institutions?

Q21

Respondent skipped this question

COVID has increased existing inequities. How will you use your office to support the most vulnerable? How would you promote an equitable recovery and create opportunity for all?

Q22

Respondent skipped this question

If elected, how will you use your position to address racial inequality, and advance an anti-racist agenda? How specifically would you support the Black Lives Matter movement?

Page 5: ALL CANDIDATES: Jurisdiction and Position

Q23

City Mayor

Position Sought

Q24**Seattle (City of)**Jurisdiction

Q25**Not applicable**Position number

Page 6: KING COUNTY OFFICES ONLY: Questions for King County Executive and King County Council

Q26**Respondent skipped this question**Yes/No Questions for King County

Q27**Respondent skipped this question**For any yes/no questions you answered "qualified" please explain:

Q28**Respondent skipped this question**How have you worked to combat climate change and promote climate justice? How would you use your elected office to ensure King County drastically lowers net carbon emissions by 2030 and achieves carbon neutrality by 2050?

Q29**Respondent skipped this question**King County plays an important role in providing many health and human services, as evidenced in the County's response to the COVID-19 pandemic. What has King County done well in its response to COVID? What would you continue, expand, and change? Do you support increased funding for many health and human services? How would you fund those services - even after the pandemic is over?

Q30**Respondent skipped this question**How would you advocate for alternatives to incarceration in the County's criminal legal system? How would you make zero youth incarceration a reality in King County?

Q31**Respondent skipped this question**What would you do to ensure that businesses owned by people of color have a fair shot at County contracts?

Q32

Respondent skipped this question

"Structural racism is not always caused by racist actors – it is caused by institutional arrangements overlaid on historical policies that continue to perpetuate racialized outcomes." - Stephen Menendian How would you use your position to work to dismantle these arrangements including, but not limited to, exclusionary land use policies?

Page 7: MUNICIPAL CANDIDATES ONLY: Questions for ALL Mayor, City Council, and City Attorney Candidates

Q33

Yes/No Questions for municipal candidates

	Yes / No / Qualified
Do you support maintaining or increasing the minimum wage to reflect the cost of living in your city / jurisdiction?	Yes
Do you support raising revenue at the city level to expand transit service?	Yes
Do you support requiring bid requests to include local hiring preference or apprenticeship preference?	Yes
Do you support development impact fees to help pay for schools, roads, and parks, as allowed under the Growth Management Act?	Yes
Do you support building a municipally owned and operated broadband system in your city?	Yes
Do you agree that municipal governments should use their borrowing capacity to fund additional units of affordable housing?	Yes
Do you support requiring police officers in your jurisdiction to wear body cameras?	Yes
Do you support your municipality implementing a "Ban the Box" program as is already in place in Seattle and Spokane?	Yes
Have you made any non-trivial donations to Democratic candidates or Democratic party organizations since January 2016?	Yes
Have you knowingly made any donations to Republican candidates or Republican party organizations since 2000?	No
Do you support reduction of police budgets in favor of social services?	Yes

Q34

For any yes/no questions you answered "qualified" please explain:

My responsibility as Seattle Mayor is to enhance the living quality fir everyone. I support pass efforts been made. We must continue to have a stronger support for the residents of Seattle.

Q35

Our region is growing quickly. How will you ensure that existing residents and newcomers alike have equitable access to affordable housing, public transit, and neighborhood amenities such as parks and schools? How will you protect current residents, and especially our most vulnerable communities, from displacement caused by this growth? How will you provide for and protect those displaced?

When it comes to people displaced. It has to do with the economy. I will be looking for ways to create new revenue . I will have to look at the budget that is already in place . To see where we can save money and produce mire funding in areas in need.

Q36

How have you worked to combat climate change? How would you use your elected office to ensure your region drastically lowers net carbon emissions by 2030 and achieves carbon neutrality by 2050?

I like what CAT (Climate Action Tracker) has said about what Morocco's plan was to reduce CO 2 emissions to a consistent level that is limiting warming. They are calling for generating 42 percent electric produreallyction to renewables by 2020 and 52 percent by 2030. Gambia something they are using principle pathways to reduction. Norway has policies. I will be implementing some policies and adopting legislations that are committed to reducing emissions 80 - 90 percent by 2050. Diverting resources to renewable energy projects

Q37

What specific actions will you take to address the homelessness crisis in King County, both in the short term and long term? How do you plan to implement these solutions?

First we need to define homelessness is . I will be working with organizations that been doing the leg . Booths on ground solutions.

Q38

"Structural racism is not always caused by racist actors – it is caused by institutional arrangements overlaid on historical policies that continue to perpetuate racialized outcomes." - Stephen Menendian How would you use your position to work to dismantle these arrangements including, but not limited to, exclusionary land use policies?

I know being a man of color. Fighting in Washington State and around the world speaking at many peace conventions for 42 years for Social Justice.

Q39**City of Seattle**

Jurisdiction Check

Page 8: SEATTLE-ONLY: Questions for SEATTLE-ONLY municipal candidates

Q40

Yes/No Questions for Seattle municipal candidates

	Yes / No / Qualified
Are you participating in the Democracy Voucher program?	Yes
Would you support the placement of Community Health Engagement Locations (CHELs) (sometimes referred to as supervised injection facilities) in your district?	Yes
Do you support the forced removal of unauthorized homeless encampments ("sweeps") in your district?	No
Would you support the construction of a 10 or more unit permanent supportive housing building on your street?	Yes
Would you support the construction of an affordable housing building on your street?	Yes
Would you support a "congestion price" on downtown drivers in order to relieve traffic congestion and fund public transit improvements?	Yes
Do you support the installation of more protected bike lanes on arterial streets?	Yes
Have you made any non-trivial donations to Democratic candidates or Democratic party organizations since January 2016?	Yes
Have you made any non-trivial donations to Republican candidates or Republican party organizations since January 2016?	No
Do you support reduction of police budgets in favor of social services?	Yes
Do you support the proposed "Clean Campaigns Act" from 2019?	Yes
Are you supportive of the Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD) program?	Yes
(Question removed)	
Will you commit to ending the ban on apartments and condos on Seattle's residential land, thereby allowing more housing types, such as triplexes, town homes, and small apartment buildings, to be built across the city?	Yes

Q41

For any yes/no questions you answered "qualified" please explain:

I am a activist for humanity been doing this for over 42 years. I will continue to fight the Good Fight.

Q42

What actions would you take to address homelessness? Please consider addressing land use, revenue, regional collaboration, the role of social services, the role of the police and justice system.

Without to much of my plans being given away. I am in support of Internship for social workers that are coming out of college with their AA to support social services needs for mental health and homeless in the streets. To assist local Law Enforcement.

Q43

Seattleites are divided on how to fund and what to fund within police work and public safety. How would you help bring the community together and adjust the Seattle Police Department (SPD) budget as needed? By approximately what % would you adjust the SPD budget?

I wrote Reconciliation and police reform in 2001 . Summons to the White House to do this. I worked With Washington State governors and Mayors and Corporate CEOs of Washington state. Many Seattle Police Chiefs . I am ready to bring us an understanding.

Q44

How will you prioritize transportation infrastructure for biking, pedestrians, transit, commercial vehicles, and cars? Which do you view as most important to prioritize funds for?

President Biden It's in the process of passing a infrastructure bill so I am ready and willing to work with our president and our Governor.

Q45

Do you support utilizing Seattle's newly granted authority to implement a 1% flat income tax?

Seattle has the authority to adopt an income tax, and I believe we can craft a proposal that can help make our tax system less regressive. We have to do something we have to find a way. We are in dire need of this tax

Page 9: PORT ONLY: Questions for PORT Candidates

Q46

Respondent skipped this question

Yes/No Questions for port candidates

Q47

Respondent skipped this question

For any yes/no questions you answered "qualified" please explain:

Q48

Respondent skipped this question

As the Port recovers from the economic impact of the pandemic, how will you use your position to ensure that future growth and activity among tenant operations is inline with limiting climate impacts and encourage environmental stewardship to be a good neighbor and steward of our environment? How would help alleviate today's present and real issues, specifically homelessness?

Q49

Respondent skipped this question

Since the pandemic and recent trade tariffs, the Seaport and Airport revenue and user statistics have plummeted. However, their capital investment was based on previous growth trends. As Port Commissioner, how will you help the Port to address these new economic realities?

Q50

Respondent skipped this question

The Port has operations and activities on tribal and indigenous land. How would you use your position to elevate indigenous people and encourage more equity and opportunity for BIPOC Communities? Give us some specific examples of your plans in this aspect. How would you handle your approach to women-and minority-owned businesses.

Q51

Respondent skipped this question

Considering the health impacts and socio-economic ramifications of increased airport activity, how would you balance the future growth of SeaTac airport with the interests of the residents of airport-adjacent communities?

Page 10: SCHOOL BOARD ONLY: Questions for SCHOOL BOARD Candidates

Q52

Respondent skipped this question

Yes/No Questions for school board candidates

Q53

Respondent skipped this question

For any yes/no questions you answered "qualified" please explain:

Q54

Respondent skipped this question

How has the pandemic changed your perspective on educational equity? What will you propose to address the educational consequences of the COVID pandemic? What specific policies will you seek to ensure that all staff and students can safely return to in-person school safely during the COVID pandemic? How will you work to bridge the digital divide both now and after return to in-person education?

Q55

Respondent skipped this question

What policies or changes will you seek to ensure that all students— regardless of their gender, race, class, disability, or ethnicity—receive an education that enables them to reach their fullest potential? What would you do to advance anti-racist and indigenous curriculum? What do you see as your role in disrupting the school-to-prison pipeline?

Q56

Respondent skipped this question

What should schools and school districts do to support the physical and mental health of all students; including LGBTQ+ students and students with disabilities? Please provide specific examples. Also, what actions would you take to remedy student access to and pay inequity among school nurses, paraeducators, and school office staff?

Q57

Respondent skipped this question

What would you do to advocate for ample and equitable funding for k-12 education including special education, school nurses, counselors, mental health professionals, and paraeducators?

Q58

Respondent skipped this question

Has the disruption of regular schooling and introduction of distance learning in the last year caused you to re-evaluate any aspect of traditional instruction and the structure of schooling? Are there changes you would like to see implemented?

Q59

Respondent skipped this question

Have you served full-time or pro-tem as a judge or justice?
What did you learn from that experience and how will you use that learning to help improve equity and fairness in the justice system?

Q60

Respondent skipped this question

How have you helped tackle climate change issues from within your courtroom daily activities to an overall sustainable plan?

Q61

Respondent skipped this question

How has COVID-19 experience changed your perspective/behavior/actions on access to justice within your courtroom?

Q62

Respondent skipped this question

How would you advocate for more equity in our State's justice system? How can we make it more open, transparent and responsive?

Q63

Respondent skipped this question

How are you going to make sure you don't allow bias (including, but not limited to, racial bias) while serving on the bench and/or in the courtroom?

Q64

Respondent skipped this question

Do you believe judges can be biased and if so in what ways, please provide examples?

Q65

Respondent skipped this question

Do you see addressing bias and racial disparity in the court system as activism? Why or why not?

Q66

Respondent skipped this question

Do you think that judicial training focused on racial competency is activism? Why or why not?

Q67

Respondent skipped this question

Do you think racial disparity exists in the court system and more specifically on the bench?

Q68

Respondent skipped this question

What will you do as a judge to eliminate and mitigate bias on the bench?

Q69

Respondent skipped this question

What committees, commissions, workgroups do you currently or have previously served on?

Q70

Respondent skipped this question

Have you received or are you seeking political or financial support from any police officer, police guild/union or elected law enforcement official?

Page 12: ALL CANDIDATES: Submit Questionnaire

Q71

I, candidate, affirm that all the information provided in response to this questionnaire is true, complete and correct, to the best of my ability, and that no relevant matter has been omitted. (Use Prev and Next buttons to review.)

Candidate full name (as signature)

Don L Rivers

Date

05/03/2021**Q72**

Candidate

Information in this questionnaire was input by:

Q73

Respondent skipped this question

(If information input by someone other than candidate) I affirm that all responses were reviewed and approved by the candidate. (Use Prev and Next buttons to review.)

Q74

Share with King County Democrats

King County Democrats may post this questionnaire to a password-protected folder for access by King County Democrats Endorsements Committee members and Executive Board.

Q75

Share with LD Dems and YD Endorsement Committee members

King County Democrats may share this questionnaire to a password-protected folder for access by members of the Endorsements Committees of Legislative District (LD) Democratic organizations and Young Democrats (YD) organizations.

Q76

(OPTIONAL) Share with PCOs and/or Members

Democratic organizations overlapping the jurisdiction of my campaign whose rules require sharing questionnaire responses to Precinct Committee Officers (PCOs) or Membership may share this questionnaire with those groups.

Q77

(OPTIONAL) Share with Public

Democratic organizations overlapping the jurisdiction of my campaign whose rules require sharing questionnaire responses publicly may share this questionnaire publicly.

Q78

Email Copy

Please email a copy of my completed submission to the campaign email address. I understand it may take 24-48 hours (or more) for my completed submission to be emailed.
