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## Deborra Garrett for Superior Court Judge

Deborra Garrett is running for judge of the Whatcom County Superior Court. She offers the voters of Whatcom County an independent, experienced, and wise choice for this very important position. She would be the first woman to serve as a Superior Court judge in Whatcom County.



Deborra has extensive legal and community experience. Over more than 30 years of practicing law, she has represented a wide range of clients, including employees, employers, individuals, businesses, and nonprofit organizations. She has maintained a successful law practice while raising a family and being involved in a broad range of community service including:

- Current President, Whatcom County Bar Association
- Member, Superior Court Administration Efficiency/Budget Committee
- Hearing Officer, Washington State Bar Association
- Arbitration Panel Member, Whatcom County Superior Court
- *Pro bono* (volunteer) attorney for Womenscare Shelter since 1980
- *Pro bono* (volunteer) attorney for the YWCA since 1997
- Coach, Meridian High School Mock Trial Team since 2001
- Member, Mayor's Neighborhood Advisory Commission
- Member, Pickford Film Center Board of Directors

Deborra has been recognized for her service in various ways including the following awards:

- **Pro Bono Award from the Washington State Bar Association**  
(for outstanding work as a volunteer attorney)
- **Local Hero Award from the Washington State Bar Association**  
(for outstanding work in a case defending citizen First Amendment rights)
- **Human Rights Award from Whatcom Human Rights Task Force**  
(for defending the privacy rights of library patrons)

Deborra has lived in Bellingham since 1979. She is a partner in the law firm of Zender Thurston, PS, and has two children who are young adults.

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