

Judicial Elections in Washington State

Candidates	Municipal Court District Court Court of Appeals Supreme Court		Superior Court	
	Primary	General	Primary	General
1	No ¹	Yes ²	County population less than 100,000: No ¹ County population 100,000 or more: No because certificate of election is issued after candidate filing ³	County population less than 100,000: Yes ² County population 100,000 or more: No because certificate of election was issued after candidate filing ³
2	No ¹	Yes ²	No ¹	Yes ²
3 or more	Yes	Yes ²	Yes	Yes ²

¹ [RCW 29A.52.220](#)

² [RCW 29A.36.170](#)

³ [Article IV, Section 29](#) Note: When applied to multi-county jurisdictions, all counties in the jurisdiction must meet the population threshold.

An election to fill a vacancy in District Court may not occur in an odd-numbered year, per [AGLO 1973 No. 76](#) and [RCW 29A.04.321\(1\)](#).