



Mayor Jenny A. Durkan Search Committee Co-Chairs



Tim Burgess, 55th Mayor of Seattle, City of Seattle

Mayor Tim Burgess served as the 55th Mayor of Seattle. During his tenure, he championed key initiatives including the Seattle Retirement Savings Program, major steps in juvenile justice and police reform, and the 2018 City of Seattle budget. Prior to serving as Mayor, Burgess was a Seattle City Councilmember from 2008 to 2017. He was first elected city-wide in 2007 and won re-election in 2011 and 2015. He most recently chaired the Council's Affordable Housing, Neighborhoods & Finance Committee, and served as chair of the Public Safety and Education Committee. As Council President, Mayor Burgess was a crucial member of the 2014 search committee that eventually nominated and

confirmed Chief Kathleen O'Toole.

On the Council, Mayor Burgess focused his energies on issues related to improving the lives of Seattle's children. Under his leadership, Seattle became the fourth major U.S. city to fully fund the Nurse Family Partnership, a home visitation program for low-income families that *The New York Times* calls America's best anti-poverty program. He was the lead architect of the Seattle Preschool Program that will eventually offer high-quality preschool to all the city's three- and four-year olds.

A Seattle native, Mayor Burgess has been involved in local community and government matters for more than 40 years as a radio journalist, Seattle police officer and detective, and small business owner. He chaired his neighborhood community council and served 12 years on the City's Ethics and Elections Commission. He was recently named the Municipal League of King County's Public Official of the Year for 2017.



Colleen Echohawk, Executive Director, Chief Seattle Club

Colleen Echohawk is an enrolled member of the Kithchaki Band of the Pawnee Nation and a member of the Upper Ahtna Athabascan people of Mentasta Lake. Echohawk is the executive director of the Chief Seattle Club, a non-profit dedicated to meeting the needs of homeless and low-income urban Native people in Seattle. She is the founder of the Coalition to End Urban Native Homelessness.

Echohawk is interested in working with community to create systems and structures that help facilitate wellness and encourage kindness and courage.

Her education has been focused on organizational development and leadership; she helps brilliant people do better work for the greater good. She is the co-founder and principal at Headwater People Consulting Group.

Echohawk serves on several local boards including KUOW (National Public Radio member station), All Home Coordinating Board, Metropolitan Improvement District, Pioneer Square Preservation Board and is the board chair at Red Eagle Soaring Native Youth Theatre, and past board member at the Chief Seattle Club.



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Sue Rahr, Retired Sheriff, King County

Sue Rahr joined the King County Sheriff's Office as a deputy in 1979 and for 25 years worked her way up through the ranks until she was elected Sheriff in 2005. She served as Sheriff for seven years, retiring in 2012. She was responsible for managing over 1,000 employees, a \$150 million budget, and contract police services to 12 cities and transit policing for the Seattle/Puget Sound region. She led KCSO through successful CALEA National Accreditation in 2010, and was awarded "2010 Elected Official of the Year" by the Municipal League. She has worked at the local, state, and national level to improve the criminal justice system response to people suffering from mental illness. She served as a member of the "Executive Session on Policing" at the Harvard Kennedy School from 2011 – 2014.

She has served on many non-profit community and professional boards and held the following offices:

- President – Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs
- Commissioner – Washington State Criminal Justice Training Commission
- Commissioner – Washington State Forensics Investigation Council
- Executive Board – National Sheriffs Association

In April of 2012 she was appointed Executive Director of the Washington State Criminal Justice Training Commission. She is responsible for training all city and county law enforcement and corrections officers in the state, as well as many other criminal justice professionals. She is the architect of the cultural transformation of police training in Washington State described by the phrase "Moving from Warriors to Guardians." This shift in philosophy moves away from the traditional 'boot camp' model to a training strategy based on critical thinking and decision making. As a result of this work she was appointed to the "President's Task Force on 21st Century Policing" in December of 2014.



Jeffrey Robinson, Deputy Legal Director & Director of Trone Center for Justice and Equality, ACLU

Jeffery Robinson is a deputy legal director and the director of the ACLU Trone Center for Justice and Equality, which houses the organization's work on criminal justice, racial justice, and reform issues. Since graduating from Harvard Law School in 1981, Robinson has three decades of experience working on these issues. For seven years, he represented indigent clients in state court at The Defender Association and then in federal court at the Federal Public Defender's Office, both in Seattle. In 1988, Robinson began a 27-year private practice at the Seattle firm of Schroeter, Goldmark & Bender, where he represented a broad range of clients in local, state, and federal courts on charges ranging from shoplifting to securities fraud and first-degree murder. He

has tried over 200 criminal cases to verdict and has tried more than a dozen civil cases representing plaintiffs suing corporate and government entities. Robinson was one of the original members of the



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John Adams Project and worked on the behalf of one of five men held at Guantanamo Bay charged with carrying out the 9/11 attacks.

In addition to being a nationally recognized trial attorney, Robinson is also a respected teacher of trial advocacy. He is a faculty member of the National Criminal Defense College in Macon, Georgia, and has lectured on trial skills all over the United States. He has also spoken nationally to diverse audiences on the role of race in the criminal justice system. He is past president of the Washington Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers and a life member and past member of the board of directors of the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers. Robinson is also an elected fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers.