

## This is Who I Am...

Dear King County Voter:

I come from a family background where the promises of our Constitution are very important values. I was born in Hungary in 1956, when it was a communist dictatorship. My parents risked everything they had to escape from Hungary so that I could grow up in a country that honors freedom, justice, the rule of law, and equal opportunity for all.



In my 22 years of legal practice in King County, I have represented hundreds of families, working people, seniors, small business owners, and victims of crimes, helping them achieve justice in our courts. This has given me insight into the needs, views and expectations of our diverse community. I also have served in a judicial capacity as a Hearing Officer and Arbitrator. Throughout my career, I have vigorously adhered to the highest ethical and professional standards.

I have first-hand experience with the challenges of running a small business. My husband and I founded our own law firm in 1991. I have the knowledge, skills and experience to run a courtroom effectively and to manage a heavy case load efficiently.

My husband and I have raised two children, who are now in college. I understand the challenges and rewards of parenting in today's society, and I appreciate the needs of single working parents and their families. Of utmost importance to me are providing equal access to justice, protecting our children, and keeping our communities safe.

My experiences as a parent, small business owner, and lifelong advocate for justice will enable me to approach a judicial career with the knowledge and insight necessary for this important position of trust.

I ask for your vote in the primary on Tuesday, September 14. Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

*Andrea Darvas*

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## Andrea's Individual Endorsers

**WA Supreme Court Justices** Tom Chambers, Faith Ireland, Charles Z. Smith (ret), Phil Talmadge (ret)

**WA Court of Appeals Judges** Marlin Appelwick, Joe Coleman, Elaine Houghton

**Ct. of Appeals Commissioner** JoAnne Tompkins (ret)

**Superior Court Judges** Robert Alsdorf, Suzanne Barnett, Terrence Carroll (ret), Deborah Fleck, Beverly Grant, Donald Haley (ret), Larry Jordan (ret), Dean Lum, Douglas McBroom, Harry McCarthy, LeRoy McCullough, Richard McDermott, Charles Mertel, Laura Gene Middaugh, Doug North, Norman Quinn (ret), Carol Schapira, Catherine Shaffer, J. Wesley Saint Clair, Gerard Shellan (ret), Michael Spearman, Ted Spearman, Jay White, Mary Yu

**District Court Judges** David Christie, Judith Eiler, Corinna Harn, Vicki Seitz, Mariane Spearman

**Municipal Court Judge** Linda Portnoy

**U. S. Representatives** Jay Inslee, Adam Smith

**Governor** Albert D. Rosellini (ret)

**King County Executive** Ron Sims

**King County Councilmembers** Dow Constantine, David Irons, Julia Patterson

**King County Port Commissioner** Lawrence T. Molloy

**State Insurance Commissioner** Deborah Senn (ret)

**State Senators** Kathleen Drew (ret), Ken Jacobsen, Karen Keiser, Adam Kline, Margarita Prentice

**State Representatives** Laura Ruderman, Shay Schual-Berke, Dave Upthegrove

**Mayors** Mary-Alyce Burleigh (Kirkland), Ava Frisinger (Issaquah), Richard Hildreth (Pacific), Kathy Huckabay (Sammamish), Kathy Keolker-Wheeler (Renton)

**Seattle City Treasurer** Lloyd Hara (ret)

**City Councilmembers** Richard Conlin (Seattle), Stuart Creighton (Normandy Park)

**School Board Directors** Doug Eglington (Lake Washington), Barb deMichelle (ret - Issaquah)

**Fire Commissioner** Jeff Griffin (District 10)

**Dale M. Foreman**, past Chair WA State Republican Party

**Kathy Hand**, Coordinator, "We the People" and "Project Citizen"

**Earle Murray**, Eastside business leader & Bellevue School Board Director (ret)

**Tim Pearson**, President, Carpenters Union Local 1797

**Also endorsed by** Larry Azose, C. William Bailey, William S. Bailey, David Balint, Anne Bremner, Dr. David Butters, Dr. Beatrice Chamberlain, Julie Davidson, Miriam Delgado, Dominick Driano, Francisco Duarte, Zanetta Fontes, Dan Gandra, Bob Hasagawa, Lori Haskell, Barbara Heavey, Lem Howell, Laura Jaeger, John Karp, David Larson, Pat LePley, Georgia Locher, Judith Lonquist, William Marler, Tuan Tri Nguyen, Rev. Tony Robinson, Janet Rice, James E. Rogers, James S. Rogers, Jack Rosenow, Kathleen Royer, Michael Shadow, Hugh Spitzer, Susan Stahlfeld, Art Swanson, Lindsay Thompson, May Wan, Yvonne Kinoshita Ward, Lish Whitson, Rev. Flora Wilson-Bridges, Ruth Woo & more...

# Elect ANDREA DARVAS

for King County Superior Court Pos. 23



## EXPERIENCE

*"Andrea Darvas has demonstrated she is courageous, highly competent and caring. She will be an exceptional King County Superior Court Judge."*

Justice Faith Ireland, WA Supreme Court

## INTEGRITY

*"Widely admired for her integrity, Andrea Darvas will treat the parties in her courtroom with impartiality, dignity and respect."*

Judge Elaine Houghton, Presiding Chief Judge of the WA Court of Appeals

## PASSION FOR JUSTICE

*"Andrea Darvas has fought tirelessly for justice and will bring common sense, hard work and her passion for justice to the people of King County."*

Justice Tom Chambers, WA Supreme Court

# ANDREA DARVAS - a leader with experience, integrity and a passion for justice



With 22 years of experience as a lawyer trying cases in Superior Courts throughout our state, Andrea Darvas knows what Superior Court Judges do and how they do it.



Andrea's clients are families, working people, seniors, small business owners and victims of crimes. She understands their needs and has worked hard to help hundreds of people overcome their challenges. Sometimes, all Andrea needs to do is provide potential clients with the information and advice they need to handle their own cases without having to retain her services. Andrea treats all of her clients with dignity and respect, and she insists that lawyers on the opposing side do the same.



Andrea was born in Budapest, Hungary. She, her parents and her grandmother risked their lives to escape from behind the Iron Curtain to come to America so that they could live in freedom. Andrea's commitment to our Constitution, to the rule of law, and to equal justice for all is deeply rooted in her family's history and heritage.



Andrea received her Bachelor of Science in Zoology from the University of Michigan in 1979, and she graduated with honors from the University of Michigan Law School in 1981.



Andrea Darvas received the highest possible rating for "**Ethical Standards and Legal Ability**" as published in the *Martindale-Hubbell Law Directory*. Andrea was named a "**Super Lawyer**" in *Washington Law and Politics Magazine* in 2002, 2003 and 2004.



Andrea volunteers as a judge (hearing officer) for the Washington State Bar Association, presiding over cases where lawyers are being disciplined for misconduct. She prosecuted a precedent-setting case, *In re Halverson*, all the way to the Washington Supreme Court. This case resulted in the suspension of a divorce lawyer who had initiated sexual relationships with his clients. It also led to a new ethics rule forbidding lawyers from initiating sexual relationships with their clients.



Andrea Darvas has devoted countless hours to making our courts work better for everyone. She has made presentations at over 50 Continuing Legal Education seminars, and she has served on numerous committees and commissions dedicated to improving our justice system. Several times a year, Andrea volunteers in local schools through the "We the People" and "Project Citizen" programs, helping to educate students about our Constitution and government.

**"EXCEPTIONALLY WELL QUALIFIED"** - Asian & Latino Bar Associations

**"WELL QUALIFIED"** - King County and Loren Miller Bar Associations

**This race will be decided in the Primary on September 14. Please look for ANDREA'S name on the NON-PARTISAN portion of your ballot.**

## Andrea Darvas: Courageous and Respected

*"When the former President of the WA State Bar Association sexually exploited his clients, Andrea Darvas volunteered hundreds of hours to pursue the case against him and have him suspended from the practice of law. She received a prestigious Professionalism Award for her courage."*

Leland Ripley, former Chief Disciplinary Counsel for the Washington State Bar Association

*"(We) are impressed with Andrea's views and positions on public safety issues."* Steve Eggert, President, King County Police Officers' Guild

### ENDORSEMENTS (as of 7/28/04)

King County Police Officers' Guild  
King County Labor Council  
King County Women's Political Caucus  
SeaTac Professional Firefighters Local 2919  
International Federation of Professional & Technical Engineers Local 17  
Amalgamated Transit Union Local 587  
Carpenters Union Local 1797  
Seattle/King County Building & Construction Trades Council  
King County Young Democrats  
5th and 31st District Democrats  
NARAL Pro-Choice Washington  
WA State Chiropractic Association



Andrea with her husband David Heller, their twins Elizabeth and Tom, and Zeke the dog

Paid for by Andrea Darvas for Superior Court Judge Committee, PMB #318, 126 SW 148th St #C100, Seattle, 98166-1984; (206) 243-7300; Eric R. Stahlfeld, Treasurer