

2009 Candidate Questionnaire

SECTION I

BASIC CANDIDATE INFORMATION

1. Name as it will appear on the ballot

First Name	Middle Initial or Nickname	Last Name
Robert	D.	Kelly

2. Office sought (include office, jurisdiction, position/district number):

Court of Appeals, Division No. 1, District No. 1

3. Are you the incumbent? Yes No

4. How long have you resided in this district/city?

Since 1997

5. How long have you resided in King County?

Since 1997

6. Is the office sought partisan or nonpartisan? Partisan Nonpartisan

7. If partisan, please indicate party:

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POLITICAL BACKGROUND

1. Beginning with the most recent position, please list public offices you have held. Include positions on appointive boards or commissions.

Public Office	Elective or Appointive?	Dates Held	Leadership Role (if any)
None.			

2. If you ran for public office but were not elected, please list those races below:

Office Title	Year of Run
None.	

SECTION II

In this section, we are seeking responses that reflect the four ratings criteria: involvement, effectiveness, character, and knowledge. These are defined as follows:

- **Involvement:** What has the candidate done previously in family, neighborhood, community, volunteer work, employment or public life to suggest readiness to accomplish challenging objectives? How do these activities demonstrate readiness for the challenges unique to the office sought?
 - **Effectiveness:** Has the candidate demonstrated promise of being productive in the office sought? Has the candidate shown the ability to work with other people?
 - **Character:** Do the candidate's personal traits show the ability to take on the responsibilities of campaigning for and holding the public office she or he is seeking? Is the candidate a leader, participant or observer? Is the candidate trustworthy, reliable and candid?
 - **Knowledge:** Has the candidate demonstrated the willingness and ability to learn and adapt? Does the candidate understand the duties and challenges of the office sought? Does the candidate have a firm grasp of the issues important to his or her constituency and their potential effects?
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1. In one page or less, why are you running for this office? (Note: the interview committee will be given a copy of this statement before your interview; at the beginning of your interview you will have the opportunity to expand on this statement in any way you wish.)

I view this as an opportunity for public service, to do what I can for the good of the people in our community.

2. Describe your most important personal characteristics or traits as they relate to the office you seek.

I have the ability to be sufficiently analytical, yet sufficiently human, to do the job.

3. Please describe, in sufficient detail, one to three accomplishments or contributions of which you are most proud. These examples should illustrate skills and capabilities you think apply to the office you are seeking. These accomplishments may have occurred at any time in your personal, professional, or public life.

I'm not proud, but I have humbly worked very hard at the practice of law towards the goal of providing justice for everybody. The work I do has developed my skills and capabilities significantly.

4. Please list or describe current and past activities in the community in which you have acquired skills that relate to the office you seek. Include your role in the activity and the year(s) in which you were involved. Involvement consists of many areas such as family, neighborhood, community, employment, or public life.

I worked at the Neighborhood Legal Clinics, the Legal Action Center, and the Northwest Women's Law Center. I am active with my church.

5. Please describe the duties of the office you seek. Which are the most important duties and why?

The Court of Appeals decides appeals from Superior Court cases. When litigants feel they need review of trial court decisions, they seek it at the Court of Appeals. It is important for the Court of Appeals to review each case in accordance with the law.