

## 2010 Candidate Questionnaire

### SECTION I

#### BASIC CANDIDATE INFORMATION

1. Name as it will appear on the ballot

First Name	Middle Initial or Nickname	Last Name
Kim		Verde

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

**43<sup>rd</sup> District, House of Representatives**

3. Are you the incumbent?       Yes       No

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

**22 years**

5. How long have you resided in King County?

**Lifelong**

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

7. If partisan, please indicate party: **Republican**

#### CAMPAIGN CONTACTS

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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)
Delegate for Washington State Republican Party 2008	Elective	2008	
Alternative Delegate for National Republican Convention	Elective	2008	
PCO	Elective	2006-Current	
Campaign Chair, National Federation of Republican Women	Appointive	2010	
Campaign Chair, Washington State Federation of Republican Women	Appointive	2010	

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

Office Title	Year of Run
Former Candidate for House of Representatives 2008	2008

## 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.)

**Seattle potentially is the most beautiful city in Washington. Mountains, rivers, lakes, forests, and the Sound. No matter which road you travel to get into the city, you experience scenery. However, our population has grown, our streets are overcrowded. Despite transportation by boat, train, tram, bus, cars, and cycles there still remains congestion. The 43<sup>rd</sup> District has many schools K-12 through university. Education has to be protected. The environment, healthcare and government reform must take place. Small businesses must flourish so they are able to hire more people and not be taxed to the hilt.**

**Washington State is teetering on a crossroads that will either make or break our state for the next 100 years. Washington State has overspent and is overly committed to public employee unions leaving our state with an unsustainable budget. Our current legislature has shown little willingness to exercise fiscal restraint. We need change. That is precisely why I am running for this office. We need to limit growth of government and strengthen the private sector so that people will have the ability to grow new companies.**

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

**My personal characteristics revolve around perseverance, tenacity, loyalty, willingness to understand and an ability to handle more than one task at once.**

**Sportsmanship, confidence, integrity, respect, responsibility, judgment, courtesy and honesty are what I try to live by.**

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.

**Taking a small part in getting the symphony hall built by donating money and helping to host fundraising events with other women who also worked to raise money.**

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.

**Arranging family events, getting people together who live in other states of the country.  
Campaigning for other candidates in the Republican Party.**

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

**Vote to impeach a government official.**

**To vote the people's opinions concerning the 43<sup>rd</sup> District's issues, such as:**

**Transportation  
Environment  
Crime and Safety  
Small Business Issues  
Education  
Health  
Employment**

**Also, the purpose of the Washington State House of Representatives is to initiate legislation affecting public policy.**

**Act on legislation proposed by the Senate**

**Provide for levying and collecting of taxes and other revenue to support state and local governments to appropriate funds for these purposes. Every year the legislature meets to engage in the process of public decision making. The objective is to reach consensus on a wide range of issues affecting every citizen and the future of the prosperity of Washington state. Members are elected to committees to represent certain matters. Such committees include; capital budget, education, Puget Sound, cyber crime, health and human services, local government and transportation. The funding source is from the states general fund.**