

ORDINANCE NO. 8935

AN ORDINANCE relating to the district court of King County; establishing a unified countywide district court, providing for the election of justices to the court, and establishing electoral districts for purposes of electing justices to the district court; and establishing an effective date; amending K.C.C. 2.68.010, Ordinance 3714, Sections 15 through 21, and 23 through 25 as amended and K.C.C. 2.68.080, 2.68.100, 2.68.120, 2.68.140, 2.68.160, 2.68.180, 2.68.200, 2.68.240, 2.68.260, and 2.68.290; and Ordinance 8848, Section 20 and K.C.C. 2.68.310; repealing Ordinance 3714, Sections 3 through 9; 11 through 13 as amended and K.C.C. 2.68.070, 2.68.090, 2.68.110, 2.68.130, 2.68.150, 2.68.170, 2.68.190, 2.68.230, 2.68.250 and 2.68.280; adding new sections; and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. Ordinance 3714, Sections 3 through 9, 11 through 13 as amended and K.C.C. 2.68.070, 2.68.090, 2.68.110, 2.68.130, 2.68.150, 2.68.170, 2.68.190, 2.68.230, 2.68.250 and 2.68.280 are each repealed.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 2. Districting Plan Amendment. This ordinance constitutes an amendment to the King County District Court districting plan as provided in RCW 3.38.040 and establishes electoral districts as authorized by SHB 1455.

NEW SECTION. SECTION 3. Purpose and Intent. A. The King County council finds that a unified, countywide district court, utilizing existing court facilities as satellites, while at the same time supporting the concept of local filing and handling of cases, would provide for a more equitable and cost effective system of justice for the citizens of King County. It further recognizes its function to serve municipal courts and the continuation of contract municipal courts within the district court facilities where occurring, located as close to the municipality as possible. It is the intent of council to establish such a unified district court system.

1 B. The council has received the Districting Committee report
2 dated September 28, 1988 which unanimously recommended to the
3 council the concept of a unified single district court. The
4 council finds that the interest and welfare of the public would
5 be best served by a unified single district court. This would
6 provide the best institutional setting for district courts.
7 While recognizing and respecting the constitutional separation of
8 power, the council would encourage the court to continue moving
9 forward, under the administrative authority of a strong presiding
10 judge, pursuant to Justice Court Administrative Rule No. 5, to
11 achieve and enhance equity in policies, uniform court rules,
12 forms and administrative procedures, standard personnel
13 classification and procedures, flexibility for judicial
14 assignments in order to balance the workload of the various
15 satellite facilities, and achieve overall cost savings where
16 found appropriate through centralization and consolidation of
17 facilities, personnel and case assignments.

18 NEW SECTION. SECTION 4. King County District Court -
19 Organization.

20 A. NAME AND BOUNDARIES OF THE COURT: There shall be a
21 single district court with boundaries of all the area within the
22 boundaries of King County which include to the centerline of
23 Puget Sound and all of the current city of Bothell as a joint
24 district court district established pursuant to R.C.W. 3.38.060
25 and named the District Court of the State of Washington in and
26 for the district of King County.

27 B. NUMBER OF JUDGES TO BE ELECTED: Twenty-four full time
28 judges elected at large.

29 C. POPULATION: 1,413,900.

30 D. LOCATION OF CENTRAL OFFICE: King County Courthouse,
31 Seattle, Washington.

32 E. LOCATION OF COURTROOMS: There are ten court facilities
33 within the unified district located as follows:

1 1455. The precise number of judges elected from each electoral
 2 district shall be determined by the county council on or before
 3 June 1, 1990, and on or before June 1, of each fourth year
 4 thereafter.

5 B. All candidates for King County district court must file
 6 for and be elected in one of the district court electoral
 7 districts created by this ordinance. Any candidate for King
 8 County district court must be a registered voter and a legal
 9 resident of the district court electoral district within which he
 10 or she files.

11 SECTION 6. Ordinance 3714, Section 15 and K.C.C. 2.68.080
 12 are amended to read as follows:

13 Aukeen electoral district - Boundaries. The legal boundaries
 14 of the Aukeen electoral district ((court)) shall be:

15 All of the area within the following described line:

16 Beginning at the southeast boundary of Sno-Pass Precinct and
 17 its intersection with the Kittitas County line; thence west along
 18 said south boundary to its intersection with the west boundary of
 19 said precinct; thence north along said boundary to its
 20 intersection with the centerline of the extension of Southeast
 21 192nd Street; thence west on said centerline to its intersection
 22 with the centerline of 324th Avenue Southeast; thence north on
 23 said centerline and extension to its intersection with the
 24 centerline of the extension of Southeast 160th Street; then west
 25 along said extension to its intersection with Holder Creek;
 26 thence southwesterly along the meander line of Holder Creek to
 27 its intersection with the south margin of State Highway 18;
 28 thence southwesterly along said south margin to its intersection
 29 with the centerline of 180th Avenue Southeast and its extension;
 30 thence north along said centerline and its extension to its
 31 intersection with the south line of Section 1, Township 22 North,
 32 Range 5, E.W.M.; thence west along said south line to its
 33 intersection with the west line of Section 1, Township 23 North,
 Range 5, E.W.M.; thence north along said west line to its

1. Aukeen, located within the city of Kent.
2. Bellevue.
3. Federal Way.
4. Issaquah.
5. Mercer Island.
6. Northeast, located within the city of Redmond.
7. Renton.
8. Seattle.
9. Shoreline, located within the Shoreline community planning area.

10. Southwest, located in the vicinity of Burien with additional facilities in the vicinity of the Vashon business district.

F. LOCATION OF RECORDS. Administrative records shall be maintained at the central office or as designated by the presiding judge. Court records shall be located at the respective court facilities or as otherwise designated by the presiding judge.

G. DISTRICT COURT COMMISSIONERS TO BE AUTHORIZED: The number and location of district court commissioners shall be as currently authorized, together with such additional court commissioners as the district court may require.

H. DEPARTMENTS INTO WHICH THE DISTRICT COURT SHALL BE INITIALLY ORGANIZED, INCLUDING MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENTS: (Courts facilities to which assigned are indicated within parenthesis). Cities of Algona, Auburn, Kent (Aukeen), Bellevue, Clyde Hill, Hunts Point, Medina, Yarrow Point (Bellevue), Issaquah, North Bend, Snoqualmie (Issaquah), Mercer Island, (Mercer Island), Bothell, Carnation, Kirkland, Redmond, Skykomish (Northeast), and Normandy Park (Southwest).

NEW SECTION. SECTION 5. Electoral Districts - Established - Provisions. A. District court judges shall be elected to the King County district court from electoral districts defined in Sections 6 through 15 of this ordinance as authorized by SHB

1 intersection with the east-west centerline of Section 35,
2 Township 23 North, Range, 5 E.W.M.; thence west on said
3 centerline and south along the west line of Section 35, Township
4 23 North, Range 5, E.W.M. to its intersection with the centerline
5 of Southeast 208th Street; thence west along said centerline to
6 its intersection with the east boundary of present corporate city
7 limits of Kent; thence north along said city limits to its
8 intersection with the centerline of South 192nd Street; thence
9 west along said centerline to its intersection with the west
10 boundary of State Highway 167; thence north along said west
11 boundary to its intersection with the centerline of South 180th
12 Street; thence west along said centerline to its intersection
13 with the east boundary of the West Valley Highway; thence south
14 along said east margin to its intersection with the extension of
15 the current south corporate city limits of Tukwila; thence west
16 along said corporate limits to its intersection with the west
17 margin of Interstate Highway 5; thence south along said margin to
18 its intersection with the south margin of Kent-Des Moines road;
19 thence northwesterly along said margin to the present west
20 corporate limits of the city of Kent; thence southerly, westerly
21 and easterly along said corporate limits to its intersection with
22 the centerline of South 272nd Street and the centerline of 42nd
23 Avenue South; thence south along said centerline of 42nd Avenue
24 South to its intersection with the centerline of South 276th
25 Street (Star Lake Road); thence east along said centerline to its
26 intersection with the centerline of the west boundary of
27 Christopher precinct (55th Avenue South); thence south on said
28 west boundary to its intersection with the south boundary of
29 Christopher precinct (South 298th Street); thence east along said
30 south boundary to its intersection with the current west
31 corporate city limits of Auburn; thence south along said
32 corporate limits to its intersection with the west corporate city
33 limits of the city of Algona; thence south along said corporate
limits to its intersection with the west corporate limits of the

1 city of Pacific; thence south along said corporate limits to the
 2 Pierce County line; thence east along said county line to its
 3 intersection with the Kittitas County line; thence north along
 4 said county line to its intersection with the south boundary of
 5 Sno-Pass Precinct and the point of beginning.

6 SECTION 7. Ordinance 3714, Section 16 and K.C.C. 2.68.100
 7 are each amended to read as follows:

8 Bellevue electoral district - Boundaries. The legal
 9 boundaries of the Bellevue electoral district ((~~court~~)) shall be:

10 All the area within the following described line:

11 Beginning at the intersection of the northwesterly extension
 12 of the centerline of Yarrow Bay and the centerline of Lake
 13 Washington; thence southerly along said centerline of Lake
 14 Washington to its intersection with the westerly extension of
 15 Southeast 8th Street in the city of Bellevue; thence easterly
 16 along said Southeast 8th Street extension to its intersection
 17 with the centerline of the east channel of Lake Washington;
 18 thence southeasterly along said centerline of the east channel of
 19 Lake Washington to its intersection with the westerly extension
 20 of the south boundary of the current corporate city limits of
 21 Bellevue; thence easterly along said current city limits to its
 22 intersection with the east boundary of the Burlington Northern
 23 Railroad Right-of-way; thence northerly along said right-of-way
 24 to its intersection with the extension and north line of Tax Lot
 25 39; thence east along said extension and north line to its
 26 intersection with the west line of Section 21, Township 24 North,
 27 Range 5, E.W.M.; thence southerly along said boundary to its
 28 intersection with the south boundary of Southeast 69th Way;
 29 thence easterly along said south boundary to its intersection
 30 with the north-south centerline of Section 28, Township 24 North,
 31 Range 5, E.W.M.; thence northerly along said centerline to its
 32 intersection with the north line of Section 28, Township 24
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1 North, Range 5, E.W.M.; thence easterly along the north line of
2 Sections 28, and 27, Township 24 North, Range 5, E.W.M. to its
3 intersection with the north-south centerline of the northeast
4 quarter of Section 27, Township 24 North, Range 5, E.W.M.; thence
5 south along said north-south centerline to its intersection with
6 the southerly city limits line of the city of Bellevue; thence
7 southeasterly along said city limits to its intersection with the
8 north-south centerline of Section 26, Township 24 North, Range 5,
9 E.W.M.; thence south along said centerline to its intersection
10 with the east-west centerline of Section 26, Township 24 North,
11 Range 5, E.W.M. thence easterly along said east-west centerline
12 to its intersection with the east line of Section 26, Township 24
13 North, Range 5, E.W.M.; thence southerly along the east line of
14 Section 26 and 35, Township 24 North, Range 5, E.W.M. to its
15 intersection with the south line of Section 36, Township 24
16 North, Range 5, E.W.M.; thence easterly along the south lines of
17 Section 36, Township 24 North, Range 5, E.W.M. and Section 31,
18 Township 24 North, Range 6, E.W.M. to its intersection with the
19 east line of Sections 31, 30, and 19, Township 24 North, Range 6,
20 E.W.M.; thence north on said east line to its intersection with
21 the present western boundary of the Issaquah corporate city
22 limits; thence northerly along said corporate limits and its
23 extension to the centerline of Lake Sammamish; thence northerly
24 along said centerline to its intersection with the easterly
25 extension of the present south Redmond corporate city limits;
26 thence westerly along said southern Redmond city limits to its
27 intersection with the centerline of 172nd Avenue Northeast;
28 thence northerly along said centerline to its intersection with
29 the north boundary of the current Bellevue corporate city limits;
30 thence westerly and southerly along said corporate city limits to
31 its intersection with current eastern Redmond corporate city
32 limits; thence southerly and westerly along said corporate city
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1 limits to its intersection with the centerline of 148th Avenue
2 Northeast; thence northerly along said centerline to its
3 intersection with the south boundary of Northeast 60th Street;
4 thence westerly along said south boundary to its intersection
5 with the west boundary of 132nd Avenue Northeast; thence
6 southerly along said west boundary to its intersection with the
7 north boundary of Northeast 40th Street; thence westerly along
8 said north boundary to its intersection with the centerline of
9 108th Avenue Northeast; thence south along said centerline to its
10 intersection with the current southern boundary of Kirkland
11 corporate city limits; thence westerly along said southern
12 corporate city limits to its intersection with the centerline of
13 Lake Washington Blvd; thence westerly along said centerline to
14 its intersection with southerly extension of the current western
15 boundary of the Kirkland corporate city limits; thence northerly
16 along said western corporate city limits and its extension to its
17 intersection with the centerline of Yarrow Bay; thence northerly
18 along said centerline and its northwesterly extension to its
19 intersection with the centerline of Lake Washington and the point
20 of beginning.

21 SECTION 8. Ordinance 3714, Section 17 and K.C.C. 2.68.120
22 are each amended to read as follows:

23 Federal Way electoral district - Boundaries. The legal
24 boundaries of the Federal Way electoral district ((~~elect~~)) shall
25 be:

26 All of the area within the following described line:

27 Beginning at the intersection of the current southern Des
28 Moines corporate city limits and extension and the centerline of
29 Puget Sound; thence southwesterly (excluding Vashon Island) along
30 said centerline to its intersection with north Pierce County
31 boundary and extension; thence southerly and easterly along said
32 north Pierce County boundary to its intersection with the current
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1 western boundary of Pacific city corporate limits; thence
2 northerly, easterly, and northerly along said corporate city
3 limits to its intersection with the current western boundary of
4 the Algona corporate city limits; thence northerly along said
5 western corporate city limits to its intersection with the
6 present south and west corporate city limits of the city of
7 Auburn; thence westerly and northerly along said corporate city
8 limits to its intersection with the centerline of South 292nd
9 Street; thence westerly along said centerline to its intersection
10 with the centerline of 65th Avenue South (aka Meridith Hill
11 Road); thence south along said centerline to its intersection
12 with the centerline of South 298th Street; thence southwesterly
13 along said centerline to its intersection with the centerline of
14 64th Avenue South; thence north along said centerline to its
15 intersection with the centerline of South 296th Street; thence
16 west along said centerline to its intersection with 51st Avenue
17 South; thence south along said centerline to its intersection
18 with South 298th Street; thence west along said centerline to its
19 intersection with the west line of the east half of the east half
20 of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 3,
21 Township 21 North, Range 4, E.W.M.; thence north along said line
22 to its intersection with the south line of "Sweet Briar Division
23 Number 2"; thence west along said south line to its intersection
24 with the west line of Lot 16, "Sweet Briar Division Number 2";
25 thence northeasterly along said west line to its intersection
26 with the centerline of South 294th Street; thence east along said
27 centerline to its intersection with the centerline of 51st Avenue
28 South; thence north along said centerline to its intersection
29 with the centerline of South 288th Street; thence east along said
30 centerline to its intersection with the centerline of 55th Avenue
31 South; thence northerly along said centerline to its intersection
32 with the centerline of South 277th Street; thence westerly along
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1 said centerline to its intersection with the centerline of South
2 276th Street (Star Lake Road); thence westerly along said
3 centerline to its intersection with the centerline of 42nd Avenue
4 South; thence northerly along said centerline to its intersection
5 with the south and west boundary of the present corporate city
6 limits of Kent; thence westerly and northerly along said city
7 limits to its intersection with the easterly extension of the
8 present south boundary of the corporate city limits of Des
9 Moines; thence southerly and westerly along said southern city
10 limits and extension to its intersection with the centerline of
11 Puget Sound and the point of beginning.

12 SECTION 9. Ordinance 3714, Section 18 and K.C.C. 2.68.140
13 are each amended to read as follows:

14 Issaquah electoral district - Boundaries. The legal
15 boundaries of the Issaquah electoral district ((~~court~~)) shall be:

16 All of the area within the following described line:

17 Beginning at the centerline of the intersection of the east
18 line of Section 6, Township 23 North, Range 6, E.W.M. and the
19 centerline of the Renton-Issaquah Road; thence southerly along
20 said centerline of the Renton-Issaquah Road to its intersection
21 with the centerline of the May Valley Road; thence southeasterly
22 along said centerline to its intersection with the centerline of
23 212th Avenue Southeast and extension; thence south along said
24 centerline and extension to its intersection with the centerline
25 of Cedar Grove Road Southeast; thence northeasterly along said
26 centerline to its intersection with the centerline of Issaquah
27 Creek; thence southeasterly along said centerline to its
28 intersection with the centerline of Holder Creek; thence easterly
29 and northerly along said centerline to its intersection with the
30 centerline of Southeast 160th Street; thence easterly along said
31 centerline and extension to its intersection with the centerline
32 of 324th Avenue Southeast and its extension; thence south along
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1 said centerline to its intersection with the centerline of South
2 192nd Street; thence east along said centerline and its extension
3 to the intersection with the west boundary of Sno-Pass Precinct;
4 thence southerly along said west boundary to its intersection
5 with the south boundary of Sno-Pass Precinct; thence easterly
6 along said south boundary to its intersection with the east
7 boundary of King County; thence northerly along said east
8 boundary to its intersection with the centerline of the middle
9 fork of the Snoqualmie River; thence southwesterly and
10 northwesterly along said centerline to its intersection with the
11 east boundary of Range 9, E.W.M.; thence northerly along said
12 east boundary to its intersection with the south boundary of
13 Township 26 North; thence westerly along said south boundary to
14 its intersection with the east boundary of Section 3, Township 25
15 North, Range 8, E.W.M.; thence southerly along said east
16 boundaries of Sections 3, 10, 15, 22, 27, Township 25 North,
17 Range 8, E.W.M. to its intersection with the south boundary of
18 Section 27, Township 25 North, Range 8, E.W.M.; thence westerly
19 along the south boundaries of Sections 27, 28, 29, 30, Township
20 25 North, Range 8, E.W.M. to its intersection with the east
21 boundary of Range 7; thence northerly along said east boundary to
22 its intersection with the centerline of Griffin Creek; thence
23 westerly along said centerline to its intersection with the
24 centerline of the Snoqualmie River; thence westerly and southerly
25 along said centerline to its intersection with the centerline of
26 Patterson Creek; thence southerly along said centerline to its
27 intersection with the centerline of the West Snoqualmie River
28 Road Southeast; thence southerly along said centerline to its
29 intersection with the centerline of 312th Avenue Southeast;
30 thence southerly along said centerline to its intersection with
31 the centerline of Southeast 24th Street; thence westerly along
32 said centerline to its intersection with the centerline of 309th
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1 Avenue Southeast; thence southerly along said centerline to its
 2 intersection with the centerline of 308th Avenue Southeast;
 3 thence south on said centerline to its intersection with the
 4 south boundary of the Redmond-Fall City Road; thence
 5 northwesterly along said south boundary to its intersection with
 6 the centerline of 244th Avenue Northeast; thence southerly along
 7 said centerline to its intersection with the centerline of
 8 Northeast 8th Street; thence westerly along said centerline to
 9 its intersection with the centerline of the Inglewood Hill Road
 10 and its northerly extension; thence northwesterly along said
 11 centerline and its extension to the intersection with the
 12 centerline of Lake Sammamish; thence southerly along said
 13 centerline to its intersection with the northerly extension of
 14 the present west boundary of the city of Issaquah; thence
 15 generally southerly along said boundary and continuing south
 16 along the west line of Sections 20, 29, and 32, Township 24
 17 North, Range 6, E.W.M. and Sections 5 and 8, Township 23, Range
 18 6, E.W.M. to its intersection with the centerline of the
 19 Renton-Issaquah Road; thence southwesterly along said centerline
 20 to its intersection with the east boundary of Section 6, Township
 21 23 North, Range 6, E.W.M. to the point of beginning.

22 SECTION 10. Ordinance 3714, Section 19 and K.C.C. 2.68.160
 23 are each amended to read as follows:

24 Mercer Island electoral district - Boundaries. The legal
 25 boundaries of the Mercer Island electoral district ((eou#t))
 26 shall be:

27 All of the area within the following described line:
 28 Beginning at the intersection of the westerly extension of
 29 Southeast 8th Street in the city of Bellevue and the centerline
 30 of Lake Washington thence southerly and southeasterly along said
 31 centerline of Lake Washington to its intersection with the
 32 southwesterly extension of the centerline of the east channel of
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1 Lake Washington; thence northeasterly and north along said
2 centerline of the east channel of Lake Washington and its
3 extension to its intersection with the westerly extension of the
4 centerline of Southeast 8th Street in the city of Bellevue;
5 thence westerly along the westerly extension of said centerline
6 of Southeast 8th Street to its intersection of the centerline of
7 Lake Washington and the point of beginning.

8 SECTION 11. Ordinance 3714, Section 20 as amended and K.C.C.
9 2.68.180 are each amended to read as follows:

10 Northeast electoral district. A. Pursuant to RCW 3.38.060,
11 the Northeast electoral district ((~~elect~~)) is established as a
12 joint district court district to include both King and Snohomish
13 counties due to annexations by the city of Bothell.

14 B. Boundaries. The legal boundaries of the Northeast
15 electoral district ((~~elect~~)) shall be:

16 All of the area within the following described line:

17 Beginning at the intersection of the north boundary of King
18 County and the west boundary of 80th Avenue Northeast; thence
19 southerly along said west boundary of 80th Avenue Northeast to
20 its intersection with the south boundary of Northeast Bothell
21 Way; thence northwesterly on Northeast Bothell Way to its
22 intersection with the centerline of Swamp Creek; thence westerly
23 following said Swamp Creek to its intersection with the
24 centerline of the Sammamish River; thence westerly along said
25 centerline to its intersection with the centerline of Lake
26 Washington; thence southerly along said centerline to its
27 intersection with the northwest extension of the centerline of
28 Yarrow Bay; thence southeasterly along said centerline to its
29 intersection with the current western corporate city limits of
30 the city of Kirkland; thence southerly along said western
31 corporate limits to its intersection with the centerline of Lake
32 Washington Boulevard; thence easterly along said centerline to
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1 its intersection with the south boundary of the current corporate
2 city limits of Kirkland; thence easterly along said city limits
3 to its intersection with the east corporate city limits of
4 Kirkland; thence northerly along said corporate limits to its
5 intersection with the north boundary of Northeast 40th Street;
6 thence easterly along said north boundary to its intersection
7 with the west boundary of 132nd Avenue Northeast; thence
8 northerly along said west boundary to its intersection with the
9 south boundary of Northeast 60th Street; thence easterly along
10 said south boundary to its intersection with the centerline of
11 148th Avenue Northeast; thence southerly along said centerline to
12 its intersection with the westerly extension of the south
13 boundary of the current Redmond corporate city limits; thence
14 northeasterly along said corporate city limits to its
15 intersection with the north boundary of the current Bellevue
16 corporate city limits; thence northeasterly along said corporate
17 city limits to its intersection with the centerline of 172nd
18 Avenue Northeast; thence southerly along said centerline to its
19 intersection with the south boundary of the Redmond corporate
20 city limits; thence easterly along said corporate city limits and
21 its easterly extension to its intersection with the centerline of
22 Lake Sammamish; thence southerly along said centerline to its
23 intersection with the centerline of the Inglewood Hill Road and
24 extension; thence southeasterly along said centerline to its
25 intersection with the centerline of Northeast 8th Street; thence
26 easterly along said centerline to its intersection with the
27 centerline of 244th Avenue Northeast; thence northerly along said
28 centerline to its intersection with the south boundary of the
29 Redmond-Fall City Road; thence southeasterly along said south
30 boundary to its intersection with the centerline of 308th Avenue
31 Southeast; thence northerly along said centerline to its
32 intersection with the centerline of Southeast 24th Street; thence
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1 easterly along said centerline to its intersection with the
2 centerline of 312th Avenue Southeast; thence northerly along said
3 centerline to its intersection with the centerline of the West
4 Snoqualmie River Road; thence northwesterly along said centerline
5 to its intersection with the centerline of Patterson Creek;
6 thence northerly along said centerline to its intersection with
7 the centerline of the Snoqualmie River; thence northerly along
8 said centerline to its intersection with the centerline of
9 Griffin Creek; thence easterly along said centerline to its
10 intersection with the west boundary of Section 30, Township 25
11 North, Range 8, E.W.M.; thence southerly along said west boundary
12 to its intersection with the south boundary of Section 30,
13 Township 25 North; Range 8, E.W.M.; thence easterly along south
14 boundaries of Section 30, 29, 28, and 27, Township 25 North,
15 Range 8, E.W.M.; to its intersection with the east boundary of
16 Section 27, Township 25 North, Range 8, E.W.M.; thence northerly
17 along said boundary of Sections 27, 22, 15, 10, and 3, Township
18 25 North, Range 8, E.W.M.; to its intersection with south boundary
19 of Section 35, Township 26 North, Range 8, E.W.M.; thence
20 easterly along the south boundaries of Sections 35 and 36,
21 Township 26 North, Range 8, E.W.M.; and Sections 31, 32, 33, 34,
22 35 and 36, Township 26 North, Range 9, E.W.M.; to its
23 intersection with the east boundary of Range 9, E.W.M.; thence
24 south along said east boundary to its intersection with the
25 centerline of the middle fork of the Snoqualmie River; thence
26 easterly along said centerline to its intersection with the east
27 boundary of King County; thence northerly along said east
28 boundary to its intersection with the north boundary of King
29 County; thence westerly along said north boundary to its
30 intersection with the city of Bothell corporate limits; thence
31 north then following said Bothell corporate limits to its
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1 intersection with the west boundary of 80th Avenue Northeast, and
2 the true point of beginning.

3 SECTION 12. Ordinance 3714, Section 21 as amended and K.C.C.
4 2.68.200 are each amended to read as follows:

5 Renton electoral district - Boundaries. The legal boundaries
6 of the Renton electoral district ((eourt)) shall be:

7 All of the area within the following described line:

8 Beginning at the intersection of the centerline of the east
9 channel of Lake Washington with the westerly extension of the
10 south boundary of the present city limits of Bellevue; thence
11 easterly along said city limits boundary to its intersection with
12 the east boundary of the Burlington Northern Railroad
13 right-of-way; thence northerly along said right-of-way to its
14 intersection with the extension and north line of Tax Lot 39;
15 thence east along said extension and north line to its
16 intersection with the west line of Section 21, Township 24 North,
17 Range 5, E.W.M.; thence south along the west line of Section 21
18 and Section 28 to its intersection with the south boundary of
19 Southeast 69th Way; thence east along the south boundary of
20 Southeast 69th Way to its intersection with the north-south
21 centerline of Section 28, Township 24 North, Range 5, E.W.M.;
22 thence north along the said north-south centerline of Section 28,
23 Township 24 North, Range 5, E.W.M. to its intersection of the
24 north line of Section 28, Township 24 North, Range 5, E.W.M.;
25 thence easterly along the north lines of Sections 28 and 27 of
26 Township 24 North, Range 5, E.W.M. to its intersection with the
27 north-south centerline of the northeast quarter of Section 27,
28 Township 24 North, Range 5, E.W.M.; thence south along said
29 north-south centerline to its intersection with the southerly
30 city limits line of the city of Bellevue; thence southeasterly
31 along said city limits to its intersection with the north-south
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1 centerline of Section 26, Township 24 North, Range 5, E.W.M.;
2 thence south along the north-south centerline of Section 26,
3 Township 24 North, Range 5, E.W.M. to its intersection with the
4 east-west centerline of Section 26, Township 24 North, Range 5,
5 E.W.M.; thence east along the east-west centerline of Section 26,
6 Township 24 North, Range 5, E.W.M. to its intersection with the
7 east line of Section 26, Township 24 North, Range 5, E.W.M.;
8 thence south along the east lines of Sections 26 and 35, Township
9 24 North, Range 5, E.W.M. to its intersection with the south line
10 of Section 36, Township 24 North, Range 5, E.W.M.; thence east
11 along the south lines of Section 36, Township 24 North, Range 5,
12 E.W.M. and Section 31, Township 24 North, Range 6, E.W.M. to its
13 intersection with the east line of Section 6, Township 23 North,
14 Range 6, E.W.M.; thence south along the east line of said Section
15 6, Township 23 North, Range 6, E.W.M. to its intersection with
16 the centerline of the Renton-Issaquah Road; thence southwesterly
17 along the centerline of the Renton-Issaquah Road to its
18 intersection with the centerline of Southeast May Valley Road;
19 thence southeasterly along the centerline of Southeast May Valley
20 Road to its intersection with the east line of Section 17,
21 Township 23 North, Range 6, E.W.M.; thence south on said east
22 line and the east line of Sections 20, 29, and 32, Township 23
23 North, Range 6, E.W.M. to its intersection with the centerline of
24 Cedar Grove Road Southeast; thence northeasterly on said
25 centerline to its intersection with the centerline of Issaquah
26 Creek; thence southeasterly along the centerline of Issaquah
27 Creek and its tributary Holder Creek to its intersection with the
28 south boundary of State Highway #18; thence southwesterly along
29 the south boundary of State Highway 18 to its intersection with
30 the centerline of 180th Avenue Southeast and its extension;
31 thence north along the centerline of 180th Avenue Southeast and
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1 its extension to its intersection with the south line of Section
2 1, Township 22 North, Range 5, E.W.M.; thence west along said
3 south line to its intersection with the west line of Section 1,
4 Township 22 North, Range 5, E.W.M.; thence north along said west
5 line to its intersection with the east-west centerline Section
6 35, Township 23 North, Range 5, E.W.M.; thence west on said
7 centerline and south along the west line of Section 35, Township
8 23 North, Range 5, E.W.M. to its intersection with the centerline
9 of Southeast 208th Street; thence west along the centerline of
10 Southeast 208th Street to its intersection with the east boundary
11 of the present corporate city limits of the city of Kent; thence
12 north along the said city limits to its intersection with the
13 centerline of South 192nd Street; thence west along the
14 centerline of South 192nd Street to its intersection with the
15 west boundary of State Highway #167; thence north along the west
16 boundary of State Highway #167 to its intersection with the
17 centerline of South 180th Street; thence west along the
18 centerline of South 180th Street to its intersection with the
19 east boundary of the West Valley Highway; thence south along the
20 east boundary of the West Valley Highway to its intersection with
21 the extension of the current south boundary line of the city of
22 Tukwila; thence west along the said boundary of the city of
23 Tukwila to its intersection with the west boundary of Interstate
24 Highway 5; thence north along the west boundary of Interstate
25 Highway 5 to its intersection with the east boundary of Military
26 Road South; thence northwesterly along the east boundary of
27 Military Road South to its intersection with the west boundary of
28 the city of Tukwila; thence north and east following the
29 corporate boundary of the city of Tukwila to its intersection
30 with the centerline of Interstate 5; thence north on said
31 centerline to its intersection with Tukwila city limits; thence
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1 northwest following said city limits to its intersection with the
 2 centerline of Interstate Highway 5 to the southerly city limits
 3 line of the city of Seattle; thence in a general easterly
 4 direction along said southerly city limits line of the city of
 5 Seattle to the shore of Lake Washington; thence along a straight
 6 line towards the south meander corner of Section 36, Township 24
 7 North, Range 5, E.W.M. to an intersection with the centerline of
 8 the west channel of Lake Washington; thence southerly, easterly,
 9 and northerly along the centerline of Lake Washington to its
 10 intersection of the centerline of the east channel of Lake
 11 Washington; thence northerly along the centerline of the east
 12 channel of Lake Washington, to its intersection with the westerly
 13 extension of the southern boundary of the present city limits of
 14 Bellevue, which is the point of beginning.

15 SECTION 13. Ordinance 3714, Section 23 as amended and K.C.C.
 16 2.68.240 are each amended to read as follows:

17 Seattle electoral district - Boundaries. The legal
 18 boundaries of the Seattle electoral district ((eourt)) shall be:

19 All of the area within the following described line:

20 All of the area within the boundary of the city of Seattle
 21 which includes to the centerline of the waters of Puget Sound and
 22 the centerline of Lake Washington.

23 SECTION 14. Ordinance 3714, Section 24 as amended and K.C.C.
 24 2.68.260 are each amended to read as follows:

25 Shoreline electoral district - Boundaries. The legal
 26 boundaries of the Shoreline electoral district ((eourt)) shall be:
 27 The legal boundaries of the Shoreline district ((eourt)) shall be:

28 All of the area within the following described line:

29 Beginning at the intersection of the centerline of Puget
 30 Sound and the western extension of the northern boundary of King
 31 County; thence easterly along said northern boundary to its
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1 intersection with the west boundary of 80th Avenue Northeast;
2 thence southerly along said west boundary of 80th Avenue
3 Northeast to its intersection with the south boundary of
4 Northeast Bothell Way; thence northwesterly on Northeast Bothell
5 Way to its intersection with the centerline of Swamp Creek;
6 thence westerly following said Swamp Creek to its intersection
7 with the centerline of the Sammamish River; thence westerly along
8 said centerline to its intersection with the centerline of Lake
9 Washington; thence southerly along said centerline to its
10 intersection with the easterly extension of the centerline of
11 Northeast 145th Street; thence westerly along said centerline and
12 extension to its intersection with the centerline of Puget Sound;
13 thence northerly along said centerline to its intersection with
14 the westerly extension of the northern boundary of King County
15 and the point of beginning.

16 SECTION 15. Ordinance 3714, Section 25 as amended and K.C.C.
17 2.68.290 are both hereby amended to read as follows:

18 Southwest electoral district - Boundaries. The legal boundaries
19 of Southwest electoral district ((eoupt)) shall be:

20 BEGINNING at the intersection of the Puget Sound shoreline
21 and the extension of Qualheim Avenue Southwest (the southerly
22 corporate limits of the city of Seattle); thence northerly and
23 following said city limits to its intersection with the
24 centerline of 51st Avenue South; thence southerly following said
25 centerline to its intersection with the centerline of South
26 Juniper Street; thence east on said centerline to its
27 intersection with the centerline of Interstate 5; thence
28 southeasterly on said centerline to its intersection with the
29 north boundary of Tukwila corporate city limits; thence westerly
30 and following said corporate city limits to its intersection with
31 the centerline of Interstate 5; thence southerly on said
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1 centerline to its intersection with the centerline of South 151st
2 Street; thence west on said centerline to its intersection with
3 the west boundary of Tukwila corporate city limits; thence south
4 and following said corporate city limits to its intersection with
5 the centerline of Military Road South; thence southerly on said
6 centerline to its intersection with the centerline of Interstate
7 5; thence southerly on said centerline to its intersection with
8 the centerline of Kent-Des Moines Road; thence northwesterly on
9 said centerline to its intersection with the centerline of 27th
10 Avenue South (Des Moines corporate city limits); thence south and
11 following the easterly boundary of the city of Des Moines to its
12 intersection with the south boundary of the city of Des Moines
13 (South 252nd Street); thence west on said boundary to its
14 intersection with the Puget Sound shoreline; thence northerly on
15 said shoreline to its intersection with the southerly corporate
16 city limits of the city of Seattle, which is the point of
17 beginning.

18 Including all of the area of Vashon and Maury Islands in
19 Townships 21, 22, and 23 North, Ranges 2 and 3, E.W.M.

20 NEW SECTION. SECTION 16. Severability. Should any section,
21 paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance or its
22 application to any person or circumstance be declared
23 unconstitutional or otherwise invalid for any reason, such
24 decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions
25 of this ordinance or its application to other persons or
26 circumstances.

27 SECTION 17. Ordinance 8848, Section 20 and K.C.C. 2.68.310
28 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

29 Effective date. A. The effective date of Section 4 shall be
30 January 1, 1991,

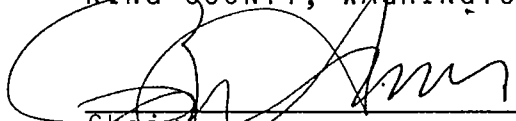
31 B. The effective date of Section 5-15 shall be effective
32 June 1, 1990.

7 the immediate preservation of public peace, health or safety or
8 for the support of county government and its existing public
9 institutions.

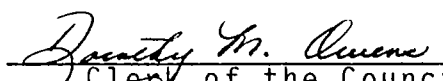
10 INTRODUCED AND READ for the first time this 28th day
11 of April, 1989.

12 PASSED this 28th day of April, 1989.

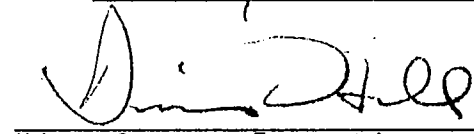
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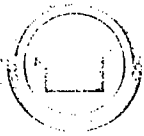
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17 ATTEST:

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Clerk of the Council

20 APPROVED this 11th day of May, 1989.

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King County Executive



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TIM HILL

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May 10, 1989

The Honorable Ron Sims
Chair, King County Council
Room 402
C O U R T H O U S E

RE: Ordinance 8935 relating to the district court of King County,
establishing a unified countywide district court

Dear Councilmember Sims:

Section 4.B of Ordinance 8935 providing for the establishment of a unified district court states that the twenty-four full time district court judges shall be elected "at large." Section 5.A of the ordinance states, however, that district court judges shall be elected to the court from electoral districts defined in sections 6 through 15 of the ordinance.

In the normal usage of the terms, "at large" and "by district" are alternative methods for electing officials. They cannot both be applied to any given candidate at the same time. Therefore, it appears that section 4 and 5 of the ordinance are contradictory and impossible for election officials to implement per se.

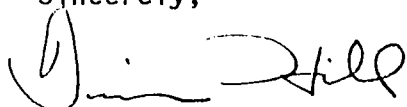
I am advised that the term "at large" was inserted in the early drafts of section 4 because the provision for electoral districts as described in section 5 was made subject to enabling state legislation which, at the time of the original drafting, had not been enacted. Therefore, the provision for an alternative method of electing the district court judges was necessary.

Subsequently, SHB No. 1455 was passed by the State Legislature authorizing the establishment of electoral districts within a unified district court having multiple courtroom locations. In order to avoid the existing

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ambiguity, I plan to submit a substitute ordinance to delete the words "elected at large," (Page 2, line 28), before section 4 becomes effective on January 1, 1991.

Sincerely,



Tim Hill
King County Executive

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Norm Maleng, Prosecuting Attorney
 ATTN: Dick Holmquist, Chief Civil Deputy
Cal Hoggard, Council Program Staff Director
 ATTN: Steve Miller, Legislative Counsel