



# KING COUNTY

1200 King County Courthouse  
516 Third Avenue  
Seattle, WA 98104

## Signature Report

### Ordinance 19855

**Proposed No.** 2024-0311.2

**Sponsors** Zahilay

1 AN ORDINANCE documenting approval of the fifty-fifth  
2 and fifty-sixth judge positions of the King County superior  
3 court.

4 **STATEMENT OF FACTS:**

5 1. The King County superior court has fifty-four authorized judges to  
6 serve a growing case load commensurate with the county's expanding  
7 population and the increasing complexity of adjudicating cases.

8 2. RCW 2.08.061 authorizes King County to have a total of fifty-eight  
9 superior court judges serving county residents.

10 3. Section 8, Chapter 189, Laws of Washington 1992, allows King  
11 County to add additional judges up to the fifty-eight-judge limit whenever  
12 the county's "legislative authority documents its approval of any additional  
13 positions and its agreement that it will pay out of county funds, without  
14 reimbursement from the state, the expense of such additional judicial  
15 positions as provided by statute."

16 4. The original July 1, 1996, deadline for council action adding additional  
17 judges was removed by Section 3, Chapter 208, Laws of Washington  
18 1996, while retaining preauthorization for fifty-eight total positions.

19 **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:**

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20            SECTION 1. The county legislative authority approves adding to the King  
21 County superior court a fifty-fifth and a fifty-sixth judge position to commence office on  
22 January 1, 2025. By this action the council has now approved ten of the twelve  
23 additional King County superior court judges authorized by RCW 2.08.061, raising the  
24 total number of superior court judges for King County to fifty-six.

25            SECTION 2. By this ordinance, the county legislative authority indicates its  
26 willingness and agreement to pay for the two additional judges of the superior court.  
27 Unless moneys are subsequently appropriated by the state, the positions shall be funded  
28 by county moneys, without reimbursement from the state, the expense of such additional  
29 judicial positions as provided by statute.

30            SECTION 3. A copy of this ordinance shall be transmitted by the executive to the

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- 31 Governor of the state of Washington for appointment of the two additional superior court  
32 judges in accordance with the Washington Constitution and RCW 2.08.069.


Ordinance 19855 was introduced on 10/8/2024 and passed by the Metropolitan King County Council on 11/19/2024, by the following vote:

Yes: 9 - Balducci, Barón, Dembowski, Dunn, Mosqueda, Perry, Upthegrove, von Reichbauer and Zahiray


KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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Dave Upthegrove, Chair

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Melani Hay, Clerk of the Council

APPROVED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of 12/2/2024, \_\_\_\_\_.

Signed by:  
  
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Dow Constantine, County Executive

**Attachments:** None

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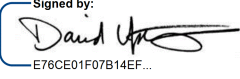
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