

City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: Richard Greene									
Board/Commission Name: Public Safety Civil Service Commission		Position Title: Commissioner							
Appointment <i>OR</i> Reappointment	City Council Confirmation required? Yes No								
Appointing Authority: City Council Mayor Other:	Term of Position: * 1/1/2026 to 12/31/2028 Serving remaining term of a vacant position								
Residential Neighborhood: Seattle, WA	al Neighborhood: Zip Code: Contact Phone No.:								
Background: Richard Greene holds a J.D./law degree from the University of Washington. Prior to his retirement, he served as a prosecutor with the Seattle City Attorney's Office for 33 years, presenting briefs and oral arguments in Municipal Court and appellate courts, writing ordinances, and performing legal research. He previously served as staff attorney for the Associated Counsel of the Accused, representing indigent persons in Juvenile, District and Municipal Courts. He also served as Law Clerk to a State Court of Appeals judge, performing legal research and assisting in writing opinions. Since his 2023 appointment, Richard Greene has overseen the growth and realignment of the Civil Service Department to respond to the City's emerging public safety staffing needs. During his tenure, the Civil Service Department has reorganized to increase its capacity to support police applicants through the testing process, transmit bi-weekly registers of eligible applicants to the Police Department, move from a biannual to annual firefighter testing cycle, and support a lateral paramedic firefighting exam, all in addition to the regular work of promotional exams and other functions of operating a quasi-judicial body. Richard Greene served as Chair on the Public Safety Civil Service Commission in 2024 and 2025.									
Authorizing Signature (original signature): Robert E Kettle Date Signed (appointed): 24 NoV 2025	Appointing Signatory: Bob Kettle Seattle City Councilmember								

^{*}Term begin and end date is fixed and tied to the position and not the appointment date.

RICHARD GREENE



EDUCATION

Legal J.D., University of Washington, Seattle, WA; June, 1983;

GPA 3.39/4.0 (top 30%)

Undergraduate B.A., Washburn University, Topeka, KS; May, 1979; GPA

3.97/4.0; Majors: Mathematics, Political Science

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

1990 - 2022	Assistant City Attorney, Seattle Law Department. Wrote briefs and presented oral argument in appellate courts and Municipal Court, wrote ordinances, wrote jury instructions and performed legal research.
1988 - 1990	Staff Attorney, Associated Counsel for the Accused. Represented indigent persons in Juvenile, District and Municipal Courts.
1984 - 1988	Law Clerk to the Honorable Ward Williams, Washington State Court of Appeals, Division 1. Performed legal research and assisted Judge in writing opinions.
1983 - 1984	Special Deputy, King County Prosecuting Attorney. Tried misdemeanor and gross misdemeanor cases in District

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Trinity Episcopal Parish Treasurer

Guild Dance Treasurer Tudor Choir Treasurer

Courts.

Public Safety Civil Service Commission

3 Members: Pursuant to Seattle Municipal Code 4.08.040; 1 member subject to City Council confirmation, 3-year terms:

- 1 Mayor- appointed
- 1 City Council appointed
- 1 Other Appointing Authority: Employee Elected

Roster:

			Position	Position	Name	Term	Term	Term	Appointed
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6	m	n/a	1.	Commissioner	Richard Greene	01/01/26	12/31/28	2	City Council
6	m	n/a	2,	Commissioner	Thomas Applegate	01/01/24	12/31/26	1	Employee Elected
2	f	n/a	3.	Commissioner	Queniya Lassiter	01/01/25	12/31/27	1	Mayor

SELF-IDENTIFIED DIVERSITY C	HART	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
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Council 1							1			
Other 1	-						1			
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Key:

Diversity information is self-identified and is voluntary.

^{*}D List the corresponding Diversity Chart number (1 through 9)

^{**}G List gender, M= Male, F= Female, T= Transgender, NB= Non-Binary, O= Other, U= Unknown

RD Residential Council District number 1 through 7 or N/A