



Pam Roach

Quick Facts

Birth: April 26, 1948
California

Death:

Occupation: King County Legislative Aide

Party Affiliation: Republican

Years served: 1991-present

Office: Senator

District: 31 (King, Pierce Counties)

Personal:

- Married with 5 children
- Worked for former Senator and King County Council member Kent Pullen as a legislative assistant and aid.
- Formerly hosted a weekend radio show on KIRO
- Previously lobbied for Citizen taxpayers Association
- Dan Roach, Pam's son, has served the 31st district since 1998 as a state Representative.

Education:

- Brigham Young University, B.A. in History, teaching certificate

Community Service:

- An environmental advocate regarding waste disposal issues
- Soos Creek Community Plan Technical Advisory Committee
- Lake Tapps Task Force, founding member
- Auburn Food Bank, board of directors

Affiliations:

- National Foundation for Families, founder
- Auburn Chamber of Commerce, member
- Boys Scouts of America, guardian member
- Sons of Italy
- National Women in Government, state chair
- American Legislative Exchange Council

Awards:

- NFIB Guardian of Small Business Award, 2004-04

- Washington State Association of County Auditors for outstanding work on election issues, 2004
- Washington State Veterans Legislative Coalition Outstanding Service Award, 2000
- Washington Council of Police & Sheriffs Legislator of the Year, 1995-99
- Pierce County DUI/Traffic Safety Award, 1999
- Washington State District and Municipal Court Judges Association President's Award, 1998
- Mothers Against Drunk Drivers Appreciation Award, 1997
- Valley Cities Counseling & Consultation Certificate of Appreciation, 1997
- Auburn Area Chamber of Commerce Appreciation Award, 1995
- Foster Care Joint Conference Committee Appreciation Award, 1991

Legislative & State Service:

- First ran for district 31 Representative in 1988 and lost to Mike Todd. Ran against Todd again in 1990 for district 31 Senate seat and defeated him by 1.39% of the vote.
- On the Joint Select Committee for Veterans and Military Affairs, executive board; Economic Development Finance Authority; Sentencing Guidelines Commission; Puget Sound Action Team Council

Committees: (1991) Children and Family Services, chair; Governmental Operations, vice-chair; Energy and Utilities (1993) Energy and Utilities; Law and Justice; Ways and Means (1995) Financial Institutions and Housing; Law and Justice, ranking minority member; Ways and Means (1997) Law and Justice, chair; Natural Resources and Parks; Ways and Means (1999) Energy, Technology, and Telecommunications; Judiciary; Ways and Means (2001) Judiciary; State and Local Government, ranking minority member; Ways and Means (2003) Government Operations & Elections, chair; Judiciary; Ways and Means; Financial Services, Insurance and Housing; Rules

Leadership, Positions & Appointments:

- Assistant Minority Whip (1993)
- National Conference of State Legislatures
- Formerly state chairman of Task Force on Families in Crisis
- Ran for METRO King County Council district #13
- Ran for Congress in the 8th district in 1992. Lost in the primary.
- Ran for Governor in the 1996 primary.

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