



Canek Xavier Gordillo

With nearly 15 years of law enforcement experience spanning a wide variety of roles in the Seattle Police Department, I offer

a grounded, experienced perspective to the Seattle Public Safety Civil Service Commission. Years of serving as a Sergeant in Patrol, I understand firsthand the realities and challenges our police officers and firefighters face on the street every day. Ensuring our ranks are filled competently and equitably is paramount.

My experience equips me with a deeply practical understanding of first responder duties, powerfully complemented by my legal acumen as a practicing attorney — skills required to navigate complex frameworks and conduct quasi-judicial administrative hearings. I will approach the work of a commissioner with objective judgment and strict adherence to civil service laws. I am deeply committed to fairness, due process, and supporting our unionized workforces. Above all, I will fiercely shield our critical public safety personnel from political interference, upholding the Commission's core mission with unwavering integrity.



Daniel Leahy

Seattle Fire Department

I have been with the City of Seattle as a Civil Service employee for 7 years and Public Safety Civil Service employee

for 4 years. I believe wholeheartedly in the mission of these commissions to provide opportunities for the fair awarding of jobs and promotions. The PSCSC exists to help ensure Police and Fire are awarded jobs and promotions based on merit and not who is in power for the day, and to hear the appeals of employees in various matters. I believe this is one of the best benefits we hold in having a hand in the agency of our careers and is a key pillar in maintaining a meritocracy. As a commissioner, I will work to uphold an unbiased and impartial commission and would be honored to have your vote.

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