

# Justice Charles W. Johnson

**For State Supreme Court  
Position 4**



## *Retain Justice Charles W. Johnson*

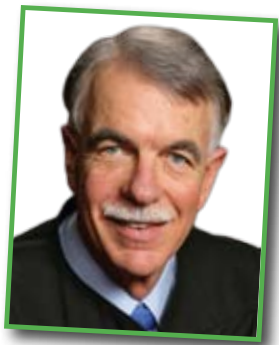
As the longest serving Supreme Court Justice, Justice Charles Johnson has a long record of protecting the rights of all of Washington's citizens and fairly and accurately applying the laws that serve them. A constitutional law scholar, Justice Johnson has demonstrated a passion for equal justice for all persons and has worked to balance the scales for those who are less privileged.

Born in Tacoma, Justice Johnson attended Curtis High School and later graduated from the University of Washington in 1974. While working full-time in a Tacoma lumber mill, he attended the University of Puget Sound School of Law (now Seattle University School of Law) graduating in 1976. Justice Johnson opened his own law practice in 1977 where he represented clients in nearly every area of criminal and civil litigation until he was elected to the Supreme Court in 1991. Justice Johnson lives with his wife in Gig Harbor.

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### *Experience We Can Trust*

- Associate Chief Justice with 18 years of experience on the Washington State Supreme Court
- Chair, Supreme Court Rules Committee
- Member, Supreme Court Administrative, Budget and Personnel Committees
- 14 years of private practice experience
- Member of the State and Tacoma-Pierce County Bar Associations since 1977
- Adjunct Professor at the Seattle University School of Law
- Authored a comprehensive update on Washington search and seizure law in conjunction with the Seattle University Law Review in 1998 and 2005.

### *A Record of Leadership*

- Honored by the American Bar Association's Council on Racial and Ethnic Justice in 2002.
- Honored by the State Bar Association Committee on Legal Services to the Armed Forces for his outstanding service and contribution to the Armed Forces stationed in Washington State in 2002.
- Board of Directors: Washington Association for Children and Parents; the Washington State Minority and Justice Commission (co-chair); the Washington State Limited Practice Board (Supreme Court liaison), and chaired the Task Force on Equal Civil Justice Funding.
- Volunteers with the Hispanic Academic Achievers Program and Children's Home Society.

### *Support In The Community:*

"From mill worker to three-term Supreme Court Justice and constitutional law instructor, Justice Charles Johnson remains dedicated to protecting people, their property, our environment and the rule of law."

*- Former Supreme Court Justice Faith Ireland*

"Justice Charles Johnson has proven intelligence, integrity, fairness and impartiality as a member of the State Supreme Court, and has dedicated himself to improving the fairness and equality of justice for all persons."

*- Former Supreme Court Justice Charles Z. Smith, retired*

"The courts play a critical role in ensuring that governments strictly follow voter-approved laws requiring openness and accountability. Justice Johnson has been praised for his keen understanding of the spirit and meaning of those laws."

*- Attorney Stuart Morgan*

### *Proudly Endorsed:* (partial list)

- Washington Education Association PAC
- Washington Conservation Voters
- Washington State Labor Council
- State Council of Firefighters
- American Federation of Teachers-Washington
- Retired Public Employees Council of Washington
- Association of Washington Business
- Washington State Young Democrats
- Spokane County Democrats
- Snohomish County Democrats
- Pierce County Democrats
- 31st District Democrats
- 48th District Democrats
- Mainstream Republicans of Washington

### **Rated Exceptionally Well Qualified**

- King County Bar Association
- Washington Women Lawyers
- Loren Miller Bar Association
- Joint Asian Judicial Evaluations
- Latina/o Bar Association of Washington

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