

# Getting to Know the Candidates for Washington County State's Attorney

The ACLU of Vermont contacted each candidate for state's attorney in June 2022 and asked about their views and policy intentions through a series of county-specific questions. Candidates who did not respond to the survey or refused to give a yes or no answer to a question are noted as "refused to respond."

Michelle Donnelly	THE ISSUES	Bridget Grace
YES	<p><b>ECONOMIC JUSTICE</b></p> <p>Old criminal records and fine-based license suspensions hurt low-income communities by preventing them from accessing work, education, healthcare, and supporting their families. Will you institute traffic fine forgiveness and record expungement clinics in the next year?</p>	REFUSED TO RESPOND
YES	<p><b>YOUTH JUSTICE</b></p> <p>Children make mistakes and can learn from them. Will you decline to prosecute children for typical childhood behavior such as disorderly conduct, fighting, smoking marijuana, and other low-level infractions, and instead refer them to restorative justice?</p>	REFUSED TO RESPOND
YES	<p><b>POLICE ACCOUNTABILITY</b></p> <p>Will you actively track and reject the cases of police offices with histories of lying, racism, or bias?</p>	REFUSED TO RESPOND
YES	<p><b>TRANSPARENCY</b></p> <p>Will you track and publish data on your office's work by race, gender, and similar innate characteristics?</p>	REFUSED TO RESPOND
YES	<p><b>OVERDOSE PREVENTION</b></p> <p>Overdose prevention sites and mobile services, where individuals can use their own drugs with medical personnel ready to save their life, prevent needless deaths and move people toward treatment. Do you support the opening of overdose prevention sites or the use of mobile overdose prevention services in Vermont?</p>	REFUSED TO RESPOND



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