

WASHINGTON

Voters in Washington will elect a governor, attorney general, and treasurer this cycle. All 98 house seats will be on the ballot as well as 25 of the 49 senate seats. Democrats are expected to maintain control of the state level offices and both chambers.

Attorney General

Democratic Nominee

Nick Brown

The Office of Attorney General is open for the first time since 2012 following incumbent Bob Ferguson's (D) decision to run for Governor of Washington. Former U.S. Attorney for Western Washington Nick Brown is the Democratic candidate looking to take the seat after winning 36 percent of the vote in the August primary, defeating one Democratic challenger. Brown was nominated by U.S. President Joe Biden (D) in 2021 to become the U.S. Attorney for Western Washington. Prior to his nomination, he served as general counsel to Governor Jay Inslee (D).

He has named several priorities while campaigning, including preventing gun violence, combating substance abuse, addressing hate crimes, establishing and funding a permanent worker protection unit, ensuring fair competition, preserving and expanding voting rights, and enforcing environmental safeguards.

On the **environmental** front, Brown is pledging to prioritize climate change and advocate on climate and environmental issues through amicus briefs in federal cases.

The former U.S. Attorney has been vocal on **consumer protections** and enforcement initiatives that he would bring to the office. He has vowed to establish a dedicated unit focused on enforcing worker protections and addressing **wage theft**.

His campaign has made **tribal relations** a focal point, with promises to build on the work to establish a missing and murdered indigenous women cold case team, set-up an AGO tip line for reporting incidents, and implement all 10 recommendations from the MMIW taskforce.

Brown is competing against Pasco City Mayor Pete Serrano (R) for the open attorney general seat. Serrano and Brown have been facing off outside the campaign trail as well, appearing on opposing sides in lawsuits challenging the state's recently enacted gun laws.

He has dominated campaign fundraising, with over \$350,000 cash on hand after raising \$1.5 million and spending \$1.2 million.

Democrats have held the Attorney General office since 1988.

Trivia: Brown was a contestant on the second season of the reality show "Survivor," which aired in 2001.