

MULTNOMAH COUNTY

CANDIDATE'S STATEMENT FOR COUNTY VOTERS' PAMPHLET

ELECTION DATE: <u>May 21, 2013</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Statement <input type="checkbox"/> Amended Statement
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Name of Candidate (as it will appear on ballot) Erica Thatcher	Address 22 SE 80th Avenue, Apt. 9 Portland, OR 97215
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Filing for: Office of Director
 Name of County/City/District Multnomah Education Service District
 Number of Position/Zone if applicable Position 3, Zone 2

This information furnished by (Name of Candidate or Committee as it should appear in voters' pamphlet)
Erica Thatcher

Attached to be included in the Candidate's Statement for the candidate listed above:

Required information
 Occupation (present employment paid or unpaid), or the word "None"
 Occupational Background (previous employment paid or unpaid), or the word "None"
 Educational Background, or the word "None"
 Prior Governmental Experience (elected or appointed), or the word "None"

Optional Information
 Statement(s) of Endorsement, if applicable (number filed: _____)
 Photograph

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 All information provided by me on this form (MCED 009) is true to the best of my knowledge and the photograph I have provided, if any, is less than four (4) years old.

 Signature of Candidate or Agent on behalf of Candidate

3/25/13
 Date Signed

Phone Number of Agent (if applicable)

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Erica Thatcher, Candidate for MESD Position 3, Zone 2

Occupation:

**General Administrative Director, Democracy Resources
Chair, Multnomah County Young Democrats**

Occupational Background:

Research Analyst, Oregon Employment Department; Oregon Fellowship Program,
Portland State University; Social Policy and Politics Intern, Third Way

Community Involvement:

City Club of Portland (Property Tax Study Committee, Arts Tax Ballot Study
Committee); Oregon Ballet Theatre (Volunteer); Vestal Community Garden (Gardener)

Educational Background:

**George Washington University, Master of Public Policy (M.P.P)
Westminster College, International Business (B.A.)**

Prior Government Experience:

Precinct Committee Person, Oregon House District 46

Optional Information:

The Multnomah Education Service District provides operational support and education programs across several school districts within Multnomah County at a lower cost than if each school district tried to provide them individually.

My work and volunteer experiences focus on policy and tax analysis; projects which provide outlets for my passion to serve Oregonians by providing information they need to make decisions. Such projects include:

- Oregon Employment Department's research division studying the impact of the Great Recession and green jobs.
- City Club of Portland's study committee to analyze the Portland Arts Tax initiative.
- City Club of Portland's research committee on the statewide impact of the Oregon property tax system.

As a Director of the MESD, I will work to enhance the operations and programs of the District, keeping in mind how the decisions we make impact you and your family.

The three MESD projects I would like to prioritize as a Director are:

- The Outdoor Education Program that helps kids learn about nature, enabling them to become stewards of the environment.
- Healthy Kids for a Healthy Oregon program, helping guide parents and guardians to register their uninsured children for essential medical coverage.
- Programs that help students who do better in a non-traditional learning environment - these are especially close to my heart.

I would like the opportunity to apply the same vitality I have used in my Oregon policy experience to serve Zone 2 of the Multnomah Education Service District. I hope to have your vote in this election.