



Joint County Voters' Pamphlet

Candidate Statement

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Name of Candidate (as it should appear on ballot): Nicole Pexton

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Candidate Information

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Occupation (Present Employment)

Chief Audit Executive

Occupational Background (Previous Employment)

Government Performance Auditing

Educational Background (Schools Attended)

American University, M.P.P; Whitman College, B.A.; Certified Internal Auditor, Certification in Risk Management Assurance

Prior Governmental Experience (elected or appointed)

Oregon Liquor and Cannabis Commission; Metro; City of Portland; Secretary of State; Chair, Multnomah County Library Bond Oversight Committee; Chair, Department of Early Learning and Care Audit Committee; Department of Environmental Quality Audit Committee

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Proven Problem Solver and Audit Leader

Growing up in East County, I realized I am a problem solver with a strong passion for improving government. Through my 10+ years of public experience, I have channeled this passion into high-impact audits that improve vital services like education and housing.

Soon after starting as OLCC's first auditor, news broke that executives kept rare bourbon for themselves. Afterward, the agency was in crisis. I found ways to use my role to solve problems and rebuild public trust, including:

- Auditing distribution of high-value distilled spirits
- Providing a roadmap for improved cybersecurity
- Establishing clear expectations for customer service

Improving Trust in County Services

Improving trust in Multnomah County has never been more critical. I want residents to see results; to know their tax dollars are well spent. As County Auditor, I will fight for more transparent and accountable governance. My priorities include:

- **Quicker audits, improved coverage:** I will shorten the audit process so our audits can improve as many services as possible. Reports will be brief and target key risks with timely solutions.
- **Transparent performance reports:** I will develop a public report card that shows what has been audited, what the results were, and what recommendations are still outstanding.
- **Expert support and advice:** I will explore ways for auditors to give proactive support and advice, so we can catch problems early.

Endorsements:

Simone Rede, Portland City Auditor

Brian Evans, Metro Auditor

Kristine Adams-Wannberg, Washington County Auditor

Gary Blackmer, former Multnomah County and Portland City Auditor

Brandy Penner, Portland Community College Board Member

Terri Preeg-Rigsby

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