

Although the Presidential primaries are now behind us, we in District 6 have an important primary ahead. Norm Dicks, with 30 years in the House of Representatives, has become entrenched in the politics of a Congress that is out of touch with the will of the people. He voted for authorization to go into Iraq, has voted for all subsequent appropriations for that ill-advised invasion, approved the latest FISA bill which allows for unwarranted wiretapping and immunity for those telecoms who aided the Administration in breaking the law, and he co-sponsored the Home-Grown Terrorism Act, which further erodes our civil liberties.

Please investigate the qualifications of Paul Richmond, a long-time activist and Port Townsend lawyer who has the intelligence, vision, and persistence to advocate for ordinary citizens against special interests. Your vote for Paul in the primary will force a debate with Dicks. Should Richmond actually win, it is a step toward reclaiming Congress as a body responsive to the people.