U.S. House, District 4

Open seat (Rep. Dan Newhouse, R, retiring). Top-two general election.



John Duresky

DEMOCRAT · OPEN SEAT

Retired Air Force major and former federal civil servant.



Amanda McKinney

REPUBLICAN · OPEN SEAT

Yakima County commissioner and former banker.

Where the candidates stand on the issues Pope Leo XIV has raised, in their own words and votes. Bracketed numbers link to sources. We do not rate, score, or endorse candidates.

WAR & PEACE

POPE LEO XIV *Leo invited citizens of every country involved in the war with Iran to contact their leaders and members of Congress "to work for peace and to reject war and violence."* Remarks at Castel Gandolfo, Apr. 7, 2026 (Vatican News via The Good Newsroom)

JOHN DURESKY

No public position found.

AMANDA MCKINNEY

No public position found.

AI & THE DIGNITY OF WORK

POPE LEO XIV *"No one can be reduced to productivity, to cognitive performance, or to mere data."* Magnifica Humanitas presentation, May 25, 2026

JOHN DURESKY

Supports protecting workers' right to organize and rebuilding trust in labor unions; no stated position on AI.

[1] Ballotpedia: John Duresky

AMANDA MCKINNEY

Says the U.S. must lead in artificial intelligence rather than "surrender leadership to China," and opposes "heavy-handed regulation" of the technology.

[1] McKinney for Washington

THE POOR & THE SAFETY NET

POPE LEO XIV *The preferential choice for the poor is "a source of extraordinary renewal both for the Church and for society."* Dilexi Te, Oct. 4, 2025

JOHN DURESKY

Supports restoring ACA subsidies, protecting Medicare and Medicaid from cuts, moving toward universal health care over time and raising the federal minimum wage "so work actually pays."

[1] Ballotpedia: John Duresky

AMANDA MCKINNEY

No public position found.

ELECTIONS & CIVIC LIFE

POPE LEO XIV *Authentic democracy, "far from being a mere procedure," "recognizes the dignity of every person and calls each citizen to participate responsibly in the pursuit of the common good."* Message to the Pontifical Academy of Social Sciences, Apr. 9, 2026

JOHN DURESKY

No public position found.

AMANDA MCKINNEY

No public position found.

LIFE OF THE UNBORN

POPE LEO XIV *Abortion "cuts short a growing life and refuses to welcome the gift of life."* Address to the Diplomatic Corps, Jan. 9, 2026

JOHN DURESKY

No public position found.

AMANDA MCKINNEY

No public position found.

THE DEATH PENALTY

POPE LEO XIV *Someone who opposes abortion but favors the death penalty "is not really pro-life."* AP via PBS NewsHour, Sept. 30, 2025

JOHN DURESKY

No public position found.

AMANDA MCKINNEY

No public position found.

IMMIGRANTS & REFUGEES

POPE LEO XIV *"Defending human life also includes welcoming, protecting and assisting immigrants."* Letter on the 250th Anniversary of the United States, June 25, 2026

JOHN DURESKY

Calls the immigration system "broken" and backs secure borders, major structural reform of ICE and a "fair, humane pathway to legal status and citizenship."

[1] Ballotpedia: John Duresky

AMANDA MCKINNEY

Supports President Trump's commitment to border security and enforcing immigration law, saying "a nation without borders is not a nation."

[1] McKinney for Washington

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY & EDUCATION

POPE LEO XIV *Religious freedom is "the right of every person to worship according to conscience."* Letter on the 250th Anniversary of the United States, June 25, 2026

JOHN DURESKY

No public position found.

AMANDA MCKINNEY

No public position found.

CARE FOR CREATION

POPE LEO XIV *"We cannot love God, whom we cannot see, while despising his creatures."* AP, Oct. 1, 2025

JOHN DURESKY

No public position found.

AMANDA MCKINNEY

Supports energy from hydropower, nuclear, natural gas and domestic production, and opposes "radical energy mandates" she says raise costs.

[1] McKinney for Washington

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