

MEET YOUR LEGISLATORS



4th Legislative District



**State Senator
Mike Padden
(R)**

Senator Padden has earned the reputation of standing strong on principle – no higher taxes, smaller government, and defender of life. He is equally well-known for having a strong willingness to engage in the legislative process and has proven successful in forging coalitions to pass legislation, even when in the minority.

He was the Spokane County District Court judge for 12 years.

He is the Republican leader of the Senate Law and Justice Committee. He also serves on the Senate Transportation Committee and the Senate Health and Long-Term Care Committee.



**State Representative
Suzanne Schmidt
(R - position 1)**

Representative Schmidt has worked as a park ranger at Libby Dam during college and after graduating accepted a permanent job with the Corps of Engineers at Libby Dam. Since 1999, Suzanne has represented Washington employers by providing workers' compensation claims management, Labor and Industries account management, safety consulting services, and compliance recommendations.

She serves as the Labor and Workplace and Standards (Ranking Minority Member), Postsecondary Education and Workforce, Rules, and Transportation Committees.



**State Representative
Leonard Christian
(R - position 2)**

A U.S. Air Force Veteran, Representative Christian held many roles during his 21 years of service, including as an aircraft mechanic, recruiter and security manager. During his time in the military, he learned the importance of community, love of country, and hard work.

His focus is on public safety, affordable housing, and bringing back trust to governing institutions.

He serves on the State Government and Tribal, Relations (Assistant Ranking Minority Member), Capital Budget, Innovation, Community, and Economic Development, and Veterans.



Champion of a Bill for TMS



Transforming foster care & Ending youth homelessness