



REPRESENTATION PETITION

Is this an amended petition? ☐ Yes ☒ No If yes, provide the case number: _____**PARTIES** Include information for all parties involved.

EMPLOYER Whatcom County
Contact Melissa Keeley
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PETITIONER Whatcom County Sheriffs Office Man
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Title Group President
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CURRENT BARGAINING REPRESENTATIVE

(If One Exists) _____
Contact _____
Title _____
Address _____
City, State, Zip _____
Phone _____ **Ext.** _____
Email _____

TYPE OF REQUEST Select ONE of the following.

- ☐ **NEW ORGANIZING** to be certified as the representative of employees currently unrepresented.
- ☐ **ADD UNREPRESENTED EMPLOYEES** to an existing bargaining unit as described in WAC 391-25-080.
- ☒ **CHANGE REPRESENTATIVE** of existing bargaining unit.
- ☐ **REMOVE REPRESENTATIVE** of existing bargaining unit.

BARGAINING UNIT

For a new organizing petition, fill out section 2. For a petition to add unrepresented employees, fill out **both** sections 1 and 2. For a petition to change or remove the representative, fill out section 1.

SECTION 1—Describe the Existing Bargaining Unit:

Attached

Number of Employees in Existing Unit 6**SECTION 2—Describe the Proposed Bargaining Unit:****Number of Employees in Proposed Unit** _____If a CBA exists, what is the expiration date? 12/24**SHOWING OF INTEREST**

A showing of interest indicating the support of at least 30 percent of the employees in the bargaining unit must be filed with the petition. **See instructions for more information.**

PETITIONER REPRESENTATIVE

Name A.W. Buster McGehee
Address 2230 Collins Road
Phone (253) 405-7698 **Ext.** _____
Signature A.W. McGehee

Title NFOP Labor Specialist
City, State, ZIP Buckley, WA 98321
Email awmcgehee@fop.net
Date October 13th, 2025

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WAPERC representation Petition

Whatcom County Sheriff's Office Management Group

Unit description

Employees in the Sheriff's Office designated as unclassified Law Enforcement officers with peace officer certification in the position of chief criminal deputy, chief civil deputy, inspector, and classified law enforcement civil service employees in the position of Lieutenant, excluding confidential employees and all other employees.

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS COMMISSION
STATE OF WASHINGTON**

Whatcom County Sheriff's
Office Management Group

v.

Whatcom County

Case Number

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I served a copy of this (title of document) Representation Petition
on all parties or their counsel of record on (date) 10/13/25

To:	Name <u>Melissa Keeley</u> Organization <u>Whatcom County HR</u> Address <u>311 Grand Ave</u> City, State, ZIP <u>Bellingham WA 98225</u> Email <u>mkeele@eco.whatcom.wa.us</u> Fax	☒ E-mail ☐ Fax ☐ Hand Delivery	☐ First Class U.S. Mail ☐ Certified U.S. Mail ☐ Registered U.S. Mail
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I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date signed and submitted 10/13/25

Print Name Art McGehee

Signature Art McGehee



Certificate of Service (2019)

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Attached you will find the following documents

Representation Petition
Showing of Interest cards
Certificated of service

Contact me if you have any questions.

Buster McGehee



Buster McGehee

Labor Specialist

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