

Willie Marshall

Green Party Candidate for
Public Administrator

DUTIES OF THE PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR

The Public Administrator (or P.A.) works on behalf of all citizens of the City of St. Louis who cannot take care of themselves legally or financially, and are otherwise neglected by mainstream society.

Elect

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Service to Country

Vietnam Era Veteran 1959-1965;
served in the 82nd & the 101st Airborne Divisions;
honorable discharge.

Skilled Organizer

- Campaign manager for Zaki Baruti for Governor in 1988.
- Organizer with the Universal African People's Organization since 1990.
- Long standing activist with the Organization for Black Struggle.

Community Advocate

- Advocate for St. Louis City Schools; served as Vice-chair of the Yeatman Community Education Center; mentored students at Elliot School.
- Supporter of Coalition Against Police Crimes & Repression and has been a strong voice for fair Civilian Oversight and Review Boards.
- Campaigned to eliminate lead poisoning of St. Louis children with Health and Environmental Justice.
- Endorser of Reparations since 1992 for Americans of African descent.
- Working to develop a Consumers Union which would put pressure on institutions to bring about positive changes in African American communities.

CURRENT DUTIES

The Public Administrator's current duties are limited to:

- Resolving wills and other probate issues, including taking charge of the assets of City residents who die without family or a last will and testament, and
- Acting as Guardian for the mentally ill or developmentally disabled adults who the Probate Division has determined are unable to meet their essential needs for food, shelter and clothing.

WHO IS NOT BEING SERVED?

Many St. Louis citizens face a variety of social and personal problems that make it impossible for them to function effectively in society. Some have no family, or the family lacks the legal knowledge or resources to assist them.

These neglected City residents include persons who are:

1. Incarcerated in detention centers, City Jail, the St. Louis Workhouse, in State and Federal prisons
2. Coping with mental illness
3. Homeless
4. Victims of racism and discrimination
5. Unemployed or underemployed
6. Struggling with addiction
7. Students referred to Truancy Courts and Drug Court
8. Undocumented Workers and their families

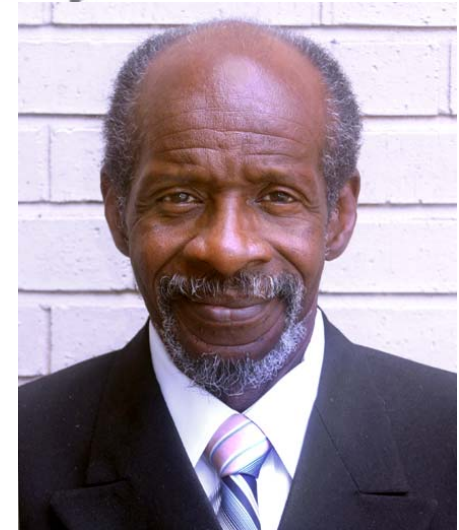
It is in the best interest of the City of St. Louis to address the unmet needs of these City residents through the office of the Public Administrator.

PROPOSED ADDITIONAL DUTIES

Therefore, I propose that the Public Administrator's domain should include these additional neglected citizens listed above, and the P.A.'s duties should expand to include the authority to:

- Act as their ombudsman and mentor
- Assist or intervene when other institutions fail to perform
- Assess needs and make sure they are adequately addressed
- Watch over their safety and welfare
- Publicize cases of deliberate institutional indifference
- Speak on their behalf in advocating political changes
- Work on their behalf with other organizations and institutions
- Act as legal guardian, when necessary

The Public Administrator's office will require sufficient qualified staff and funding to address these pressing needs.



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Primary Election: August 3, 2004
General Election: November 2, 2004

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*A Champion
for the Forgotten*



As Public Administrator
I pledge to work for the
community, and for you.



Take care of our kids

YES to better Public Schools
YES to Lead Abatement

Respect citizens

YES to Civilian Oversight Board
YES to Reparations

Empower people

NO to "Home Rule" fraud
YES to Living Wage

Promote health

YES to Health Care for All
NO to Waste Incinerators
NO to Pesticide Poisons

Spend money wisely

NO to Stadium Subsidy

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Willie Marshall

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of the City of St. Louis to:

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St. Louis Green Party Platform

adopted May 12, 2004

- 1. Public schools.** The Green Party of St. Louis calls on the Missouri Legislature to declare a state of emergency in the St. Louis School District and reopen all schools which have been closed, rehire all staff who have been dismissed with an apology for their treatment, reconstitute all transportation routes which have been cancelled, and establish the right of teachers to strike.
- 2. Stadium construction.** Millions of dollars of taxpayer subsidy given to the millionaire owners of the Cardinals for a new ball park is a grievous waste of precious revenue which could be spent for public services such as schools, medical care and transportation. Taxpayers never get back what it costs them in revenue to build sports stadiums. They should be built by owners without any public subsidies.
- 3. Living wage.** All public funding to for-profit companies should be linked to wages and insurance coverage that can bring a family above the poverty line.
- 4. Civilian oversight board.** The Greens support the creation of Civilian Oversight Boards to help control police brutality. Any such Board must have the power to conduct independent investigations, issue subpoenas and have at least some elected members to insure grass roots input. We urge the passage of Board Bill 47 in the City of St. Louis, so that it may serve as a model for similar St. Louis County legislation.
- 5. Reparations.** Today, most whites and blacks in America lack education concerning the over 400 year African slave trade holocaust. This prevents the majority of fair minded people from rallying to the cause of a just and fair slavery settlement. Restitution could include development of essential services in African-American communities and/or asset transfer to slave descendants. The Green Party of St. Louis supports passage of US Congressional Bill H.R. 40, which is designed to study the effects of African enslavement.
- 6. Health Care.** The Green Party supports universal health care based on the single payer model.
- 7. Lead poisoning/remediation.** St. Louis has an ineffective and poorly funded system for addressing a lead poisoning crisis. This results in 55% of children being poisoned in some north St. Louis neighborhoods. The Green Party of St. Louis advocates (a) a declaration of a lead emergency by the Board of Aldermen, (b) financial assistance to home owners and landlords for lead abatement, (c) full disclosure of all moneys spent on lead programs, (d) providing lead free housing for poisoned children.
- 8. Pesticide poisons.** The Green Party favors legislation banning the use of pesticide poisons. Pesticides cause health problems in people, especially respiratory diseases in children, those who work spraying pesticides, and those with pre-existing health problems. There are many more effective ways to control mosquitoes, such as draining stagnant water and encouraging mosquito predators.
- 9. Waste incineration.** Greens urge legislation and public actions which prevent incinerators from being built and shut down those in existence. Greens have taken critical roles in stopping the construction of a medical waste incinerator in Forest Park Southeast in 1994, persuading the County Council to pass legislation against the planned Times Beach incinerator in 1995, shutting down the St. Louis University incinerator in 2001, and persuading St. Louis City to pass legislation that led to the 2003 closing of the Stericycle Incinerator in Ward 2.
- 10. Electoral democracy and the current "home rule" fraud.**
 - a. If parties can select candidates by convention, they can nominate a slate with ethnic and gender balance. Therefore the Green Party believes that parties should be able to choose their candidates by means of primary, convention, or caucus.
 - b. The Green Party believes that citizens should have the right to form local slates of candidates without having to form an entire political party. Candidates should be able to run with a common platform.
 - c. Proportional Representation means that parties receive representation according to their proportion of the total vote. The Green Party advocates that both the St. Louis City Board of Aldermen and the St. Louis County Council have four representatives proportionally elected from each of seven districts. Parties or slates would receive one representative for each fourth of the vote they receive.
 - d. The Green Party advocates Instant Run-off Voting (IRV) for all positions not elected by proportional representation (City-wide or County-wide offices). Votes for candidates with the fewest number of votes are transferred to the voters' 2nd, 3rd or 4th choices until a candidate has over 50% of the vote.