**Robert D. Wilson-Hoss**

Robert D. Wilson-Hoss graduated from Willamette University in 1972 and received his J.D. from the University of Washington in 1978. He had a private law practice in Mason County, Washington from 1981 to 2021. His work included civil rights plaintiff representation; representation of non-profit associations and corporations, including owner associations; clients with real property issues; and other small-town general matters. After retirement, he continues to work with local non-profits, but is not a licensed attorney and does not do attorney work for them.

He was a recipient of the Washington State Bar Association's Courageous Award for his civil rights work, has received the State Bar’s annual Community Service Award, and was named a “Local Hero” by the State Bar Association. He was given the Mason County Bar Association’s Charles Wright Award for service to the Mason County community and legal profession. He was named Mason County Citizen of the Year in 2018.

Mr. Wilson-Hoss has served several terms as Mason County Judicial Commissioner, in Juvenile Court, Domestic Relations Court and as Settlement Conference Commissioner. His previous experiences include service in the United States Peace Corps, work for Evergreen Legal Services, participation in the establishment of the Northwest Intertribal Court System, and as the first Reservation Attorney for the Squaxin Island Tribe.

Mr. Wilson-Hoss has participated in the formation and/or work of several Mason and Thurston County nonprofit agencies and associations. He was part of the efforts to establish the local homeless shelter, the Habitat for Humanity chapter, the domestic violence shelter, and most recently, a local YMCA. He has been recognized by the Dispute Resolution Center of Thurston County for “his years of outstanding contributions to the success of this agency.  During his tenure, Rob has generously shared his enthusiasm, passion, skills, and sense of humor.”

Mr. Wilson-Hoss lives with his wife, Wendy, on a tree farm in rural Mason County. They have three children and eight grandchildren. They were also foster parents to many. His landscape and vegetable garden have been featured twice on Mason County’s Garden Tour. His gardening mistakes are persistent and pervasive.