## **Katie Blinn**

Katie Blinn is the Co-Director of Elections for the Washington Secretary of State's Office. Since 2005, Ms. Blinn has developed elections legislation and regulations, been a liaison to the Attorney General's Office on election litigation, and provided assistance to county election officials, candidates, campaigns, media, advocacy groups, and other government offices. Ms. Blinn also supervises distribution of federal Help America Vote Act funds, and the program that trains state and county election administrators and conducts regular reviews of county election procedures. Prior to coming to the Secretary of State's Office, Ms. Blinn was nonpartisan counsel in the Washington State Legislature for the House State Government Committee, which handles elections, campaign finance, public records, veterans issues, public works contracting, and other issues. Ms. Blinn previously served as a Deputy Prosecutor for the Pierce County Prosecutor's Office (Tacoma), and a Law Clerk for the Washington State Court of Appeals. Ms. Blinn received her J. D. in 1997 from Seattle University and her B.A. in 1993 from Santa Clara University. Katie is married to Grant Blinn, a Pierce County Deputy Prosecutor; they have three children.