Questions:

1. What do you believe the intent is of the Oregon Public Records Law?

2. In your opinion, what is the greatest impediment to improving access to public records? What are some ideas that you have to improve access to public records in Oregon?

3. Many factors can effect access to public records including staffing, retention and disposition, public records exemptions, and requiring balancing the public’s interest in disclosure vs. the desire to encourage frank advice, or the need to accomplish a governmental task like a criminal investigation. How would you take these factors into account when serving as the public records advocate?

4. What do you think will make the services of the Public Records Advocate appealing to the people who have requested public records or to public bodies that have received public records requests? When and how would you encourage them to use your services?

5. Can you describe a time when you were faced with no good options and explain your process for determining how to proceed.

6. A major part of this position is providing agencies and the general public with trainings that will address such things as what is a public record, how to make good public records requests, and how to handle public records requests. What do you think makes an effective public speaker especially when you are dealing with diverse audiences?

7. What is your greatest strength and your greatest weakness and how does that make you the right person for this job?