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Lawyers associated for justice, service, professionalism, education, mentoring, social interaction and leadership for our members and our community

President's Note

By Kathy Proctor
WCBA President



I wish everyone a Happy February and welcome to numerous new members. Just last week the WCBA held the Sentencing Alternatives in Washington County CLE and dinner meeting which had been re-scheduled due to snow. I want to thank Tom Collins and Rob Harris for working to bring us this CLE and to our presenter Steve Berger. Despite the CLE and dinner meeting being rescheduled it was well-attended by our members, including numerous judges and folks who work in public defense.

Mr. Berger, the director of Community Corrections, gave attendees a lot of valuable information and handouts in his presentation, for example, HB 3503 created a ten year pilot project called the Family Sentencing Alternative Program Pilot (FSAP). The program is intended to divert qualified offenders who have custody of a minor child at the time of the offense from prison to probation. One benefit of this pilot project would be to enable those on probation to complete their sentences while continuing to take care of the responsibility of raising their children. This could keep some children from ending up in the foster care system. There are other benefits to the program as well.

Following the CLE we heard from our dinner speakers, former State Representative John Davis and Susan Grabe, Public Affairs Director for the Oregon State Bar. We also had the unexpected pleasure of having in attendance our 2017 Oregon State Bar President, Michael

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Levelle. All three took turns talking about issues relevant to Oregon attorneys and particularly those of us in Washington County. Ms. Grabe informed us about the OSB's legislative priorities for 2017. These include supporting court funding and services for low income Oregonians. See the attached flyers (pp. 7 & 8) which may also be found at www.osbar.org.

Our next CLE and dinner meeting is on February 8, 2017. Presiding Judge Charles Bailey will present the CLE on the State of the Court. Whether you practice primarily in Washington County or only practice here occasionally this is a must attend CLE presentation. If you have ever wondered why the court does things this way instead of that way, now is your opportunity to listen and ask questions straight from the court.

We are pleased to welcome as our dinner guests in February judges from the Oregon Court of Appeals. The judges from our Court of Appeals have traditionally attended our dinner each year and they make for enjoyable dinner companions. Please join us.

If you need yet another reason - besides the networking, food, interesting CLEs and VIP dinner guests, the WCBA is bringing back our dinner raffle. Dinner attendees will each be given a raffle ticket. At the end of the dinner service the lucky raffle ticket holder will be entitled to dine with us for free at the very next monthly dinner meeting. You can only win if you come to play.

Before I conclude this note, I want to take a moment to recognize Arthur Saito. Arthur Saito was a longtime board member and contributor to the community here in Washington County. Because his practice now has him spending most of his time in Astoria, Arthur decided to resign from our board. Now, Arthur is working with the Clatsop County Bar Association to provide opportunities for its members for mentoring, CLE's and socialization. If you would be willing to volunteer your time as a resource for Clatsop County newer lawyers for mentoring and possibly respond to random "how

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to” questions from time to time, please contact me or Arthur Saito via email.

February CLE and Dinner Guests

Washington County- State of the Court, by Presiding Judge D. Charles Bailey.

Dinner Guests, judges from the Oregon Court of Appeals.

Washington County New Lawyer Committee New Lawyers Coffee, at Manaia Coffee House and Island Grill

February 15, 2017

Washington County New Lawyers meet the third Wednesday of each month from 8:00am to 9:30am at Manaia Coffee House and Island Grill Café (203 E. Main St., Hillsboro, OR 97123). They serve excellent coffee! Our next coffee meet is Wednesday, February 15, 2017. Lee Van Duzer, Washington County Law Librarian frequently attends. He is an excellent person for a new lawyer to meet and learn what great resources and services are available at our law library. We encourage new and experienced lawyers to share a cup and share a few tips and stories. Come find out what you don't know and share what you do know.

The New Lawyer Committee consists of Rachel Edwards, Danielle Hunsaker and Robert Harris. If you would like to make a suggestion for an event or activity please feel free to contact either me or one of the committee members.

Thank you for reading and as always, if you have ideas or suggestions, please feel free to contact me personally at kproctor@proctorlawpc.com or the WCBA at wcba.association@frontier.com.

Kathy Proctor

Enjoy Writing or Photography?



Interested in submitting a newsletter article?

Have a photograph to share?

We welcome inquiries. Please contact WCBA President Kathy Proctor by emailing

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~ Upcoming WCBA Events ~

February 8, 2017

CLE: State of the Court, Washington County Circuit Court Presiding Judge Charles Bailey
Dinner Guests: Oregon Court of Appeals

March 8, 2017

CLE: Search and Seizure, David B. Thompson, Sr. Assistant Attorney General, Oregon DOJ
Dinner Guests: Staff Appreciation

April 12, 2017

CLE: Legal Research, Washington County Law Librarian, Lee Van Duzer
Dinner Guests: Supreme Court

May 10, 2017

CLE: Family Law
Dinner Guests: TBD
Annual Business Meeting - Elections Held

June 14, 2017

Spring Social, Location TBD

Court Update

By Amanda Lindley

Below are recent staffing and docket changes of note in the court:

Staff Update

Judge Sims has a new clerk, Sadie Villicana. Sadie can be reached at (503) 846-8312 or by email at Sadie.Villicana@ojd.state.or.us. Sadie previously worked in the Probate department handling name changes and also providing assistance with daily jury orientation.

February Docket Updates

Starting in February, Judge Sims and Judge Roberts will both begin handling Monday morning civil motion dockets in alternating months. Judge Roberts will also begin hearing probate matters as she has been assigned probate caseloads on alternating Fridays. Judge Erwin will no longer be handling probate or Monday morning civil motions, and instead will be focusing on his many duties as Chief of the Criminal team.

Additionally, the court is looking for volunteers for the mediation program. Please see the included flyer (p. 9) for more information.



Photo by Lee Van Duzer

Law Library Update Online Resources

Free is Always Good

The non-profit Free Law Project provides two free online resources of interest.

CourtListener offers free sophisticated search access to federal and state case law. It provides extensive coverage of federal courts but incomplete coverage of older state case law.

- www.courtlistener.com

RECAP is a browser extension that provides links to free court documents in the RECAP database and anonymously uploads downloaded PACER documents. They also now offer a web interface to search their database of federal court documents.

- free.law/recap/

HeinOnline Update

HeinOnline announced a new YouTube channel. Not only can you access [HeinOnline at home](#) with your WCCLS card, but now you can learn more about what they offer and how to use HeinOnline at www.youtube.com/heinonline08.

* Special thanks to Lewis Zimmerman of the State of Oregon Law Library for contributing information on the Free Law Project resources.

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Changes Ahead for the WCBA

Dear Members,

With the passage of time comes change. The WCBA is no different. Beginning with our new membership year, in September 2017 the WCBA will implement a new CLE and dinner registration policy. In order to ensure the best possible experience for everyone and in consideration of all of our members and our dinner location, we will be encouraging members to register and pay for the CLE and dinner in advance. We will continue to provide our quality inexpensive CLE's and enjoyable dinner experience at the current price for our members who register and pay 24 hours in advance. If a member does not attend the event as pre-registered, no refunds will be given. However, if a member has pre-registered and notifies the WCBA no less than 24 hours before the event that they are unable to attend, a credit will be given for the next month's CLE and dinner. Members who do not wish to pre-register may still drop in and pay at the door, however the drop-in price is an extra \$5 for both the CLE and the dinner.

Members who would like to offer feedback can email me at kproctor@proctorlawpc.com or email the President Elect, Danielle Hunsaker, at dhunsaker@lvklaw.com.

Save the Date: Mock Trial Volunteers Needed Saturday, March 4, 2017

The Washington County Regional High School Mock Trial Competition will be held on Saturday, March 4, 2017 at the Washington County Courthouse and we need judges! The event is a wonderful opportunity for the bar to interact with amazing high school students. There will be three rounds, one in the morning, one mid morning and one in the early afternoon.

Please contact coordinator Elizabeth Lemoine at elizabeth@lemoinelawyer.com if you are willing and able to participate!



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THE WCBA FEBRUARY CLE & DINNER MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2017

CLE: State of the Court
PRESENTED BY Honorable D. Charles Bailey
Washington County Circuit Court Presiding Judge

Dinner Guests:
Court of Appeals Judges

Date: Wednesday, February 8, 2017

Time: CLE - 5:15 p.m. Cocktails & Dinner 6:30 p.m.

Place: The Old Spaghetti Factory
18925 NW Tanasbourne Drive, Hillsboro, Oregon 97124

CLE Credit (Pending approval): 1 General

PLEASE NOTE: To pre-register, please check the appropriate box below and email or send via regular mail with the name of the attendee.

Payment will be taken at the door unless you would like to pre-pay on our website via Square. Please note that this event is a no host bar.

We now accept all major credit cards at the door.

PRE-REGISTER

Website: www.wcbabar.org

Click to pay online: <https://squareup.com/market/wcba>

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NAME: _____

Dinner + CLE = \$30 (member)

Dinner + CLE = \$40 (non-member)

Dinner only = \$15 (member and non-member)

CLE only = \$15 (member)

CLE only = \$25 (non-member)

NEW LAWYERS DROP-IN SOCIAL

Sponsored by the Washington County Bar Association New Lawyer Division and the Oregon New Lawyer Division



Please join us for a casual event at McNally's Taproom in Hillsboro!! It is a great opportunity for new lawyers to socialize and network with other lawyers and judges throughout the community. Enjoy a wide array of craft beer, great food, and good company.

**No RSVP is necessary. One free drink ticket and appetizers provided.
We hope you can join us!**

Date: Thursday, February 9, 2017.

Time: 5:00pm-6:30pm.

Place: McNally's Taproom, 370 E. Main St., Hillsboro, OR 97123.

Oregon State Bar Legislative Priorities for 2017

1. **Support Court Funding.** Support for adequate funding for Oregon's courts.

- **Citizens Campaign for Court Funding.** Support the coalition of citizen and business groups formed to ensure adequate and stable court funding.
- **eCourt Funding.** Support the Oregon Judicial Department's effort to maintain funding for Oregon eCourt.
- **Court Facilities Funding.** Work with the legislature and the courts to make critical improvements to Oregon's court facilities.

2. **Support legal services for low income Oregonians.**

- **Civil Legal Services.**
 - Increase the current level of funding for low income legal services.
- **Indigent Defense.**
 - **Public Defense Services.** Constitutionally and statutorily required representation of financially qualified individuals in Oregon's criminal and juvenile justice systems:
 - ◆ Ensure funding sufficient to maintain the current service level.
 - ◆ Support fair compensation for publicly funded attorneys in the criminal and juvenile justice systems.
 - ◆ Support reduced caseloads for attorneys representing parents and children.

3. **Support OSB 2017 Law Improvement Package and continue to engage with ongoing legislative work group and task force proposals.**

2017 OSB Law Improvement Proposals

- **SB 491 - Discipline System Changes** – This bill includes changes proposed by the OSB Discipline Review Committee. These include: Creation of professional adjudicator; elimination of LPRCs; SPRB members appointed by Supreme Court; statutory immunity for mentors, and probation and diversion monitors.
- **SB 490 - OSB Administrative Changes** – This bill includes several issues, including changes necessitated by the implementation of AMS software, clarification of the role of the past-president, elimination of the obsolete vice-president position, and the renaming of the Executive Director position.
- **HB 2610 - Electronic Transactions** – This bill was proposed by the Business Law Section and incorporates concepts from the Uniform Electronic Transmissions Act and the Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act.
- **HB 2608 - Estate Planning** – Proposed by the Estate Planning Section, this bill corrects the effective date of HB 2331 (2015).
- **SB 492 - Spousal Support** – Proposed by the Family Law Section, this bill is a redraft of HB 2332 (2015), and is intended to streamline the process for parties to determine if a modification of spousal support is appropriate.
- **SB 522 Life Insurance** - Proposed by the Family Law Section, this bill will provide courts with the ability to a claim against a third party that is named as the beneficiary of life insurance that was ordered for the benefit of a child or former spouse.
- **HB 2609 - Nonprofit Corporation Code** – Proposed by the Nonprofit Organizations Law Section, this bill updates and modernizes ORS Chapter 65, the nonprofit code.

Volunteer Opportunity

Washington County Circuit Court Volunteer Mediation Program



Mediation Training Opportunity

40-Hour Basic Mediation Training

Volunteer mediators are needed to assist litigants in Small Claim and Landlord-Tenant (eviction) cases.

Our court-connected volunteer mediation program has helped litigants resolve their legal disputes for many years.

We are recruiting new volunteers from our community and offering a 40-hour basic mediation training.

This training will be offered in the Washington County Courthouse located in downtown Hillsboro on the following dates:

Friday, April 21, 2017
Saturday, April 22, 2017
Sunday, April 23, 2017
Saturday, May 6, 2017
Sunday, May 7, 2017

Application Deadline: 5:00 p.m. on Friday, March 31, 2017

Cost: \$50 (to be collected upon selection to participate in training)

Commitment after training: Mediate Small Claim or Landlord-Tenant cases at least one Monday each month for a year.

For more information about our court-connected mediation program and this mediation training, contact Washington County Circuit Court Mediation Coordinator Chris Stiefer at christina.stiefer@ojd.state.or.us or 503-846-8147.

Applications can be obtained from the Washington County Circuit Court Website: <http://courts.oregon.gov/Washington>.

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