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President's Message By: Lenny Lucenko

The Thurston County Bar Association Board of Directors at our February 2015 meeting had the privilege of nominating Thurston County's 2015 recipient of the Washington State Bar Association Local Hero Award. The Local Hero is someone "who has exhibited an above and beyond approach toward our local community, by way of involvement, pro bono or other volunteer service and who represents and enhances the legal profession in Thurston County in an exceptional way."

I am pleased to announce that Judge Sue Dubuisson (retired) was nominated as Thurston County's Local Hero from among a list of well deserved and well qualified candidates. WSBA President Anthony Gipe will present the Local Hero award to Judge Dubuisson at an upcoming WSBA Board of Governors' meeting in Thurston County.

Those of us in our community, who had the privilege of appearing before Judge Dubuisson during the twenty six years she served with distinction on the Thurston County District Court bench, remember her compassion and intellect. However, Judge Dubuisson's recognition as a Local Hero is not only based upon her outstanding work in the legal field, but is also based on all of the hard work and dedication she has provided to our community since her retirement.

After retirement, Judge Dubuisson completed the forty-hour Professional Mediation Training Program sponsored by the Thurston County Dispute Resolution Center. Judge Dubuisson currently serves as a mediator in Thurston County Small Claims Court and also serves as a volunteer for the Thurston County Housing Justice Project providing legal advice on a weekly basis to tenants with housing related issues in Thurston County Superior Court.

Judge Dubuisson is also a Local Hero for her involvement in non-legal activities and organizations in our community. For example, Judge Dubuisson is a board member of the Zonta Club of Olympia, an internationally recognized organization that works to create positive changes in women's' lives not only in Thurston County but throughout the world. Judge Dubuisson also volunteers on an annual basis for the YMCA Mock Trial competition using her experience to mentor future attorneys and with the Intercity Transit "Bike Partner" program helping to refurbish abandoned and donated bicycles and providing them to middle school students in our community.

We should all strive to exhibit the ideals of a Local Hero in our everyday lives so we can help our community be an even better place.

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A View From the Bench

By Judge Carol Murphy
Thurston County Superior Court



Superior Court Happenings

We are lucky to have judges, staff, and community partners who are consistently working hard to improve the way we do things in Superior Court. I am going to take this opportunity to explain just a few of those projects.

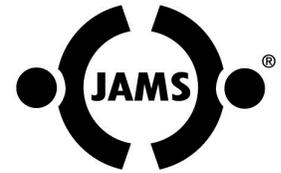
As many of you know, a statewide Superior Court Case Management System will replace the SCOMIS system developed in the 1970's. Obviously, this will be a significant improvement! The project is managed by staff at the Administrative Office of the Courts, a state agency that supports all levels of courts. Lewis County will be the first court in the state to roll out the system, and Thurston County has been designated an Early Adopter. It is anticipated that on November 2nd, 2015, the new Case Management System will be operational in Thurston County Superior Court. Around that time, it will be necessary for the court to reduce some of its regular workload, including some regular dockets both at Main Campus and Family and Juvenile Court, in order to accommodate the many changes.

Also on the technology front, Superior Court is working with county IT staff to re-design its website. The plan is to have a more user-friendly experience with up-to-date information that will reduce the time that court staff spends answering questions. We anticipate improving links between activities at Main Campus, Family and Juvenile Court, and the Clerk's Office.

The courts and county leadership are looking at ways to improve security in both Superior Court locations as well as District Court. Although some security risks simply cannot be mitigated in our current buildings and without significant additional funding, a security study has been approved by the Board of County Commissioners. The study will be conducted by a court security expert and will result in recommendations that could be implemented in 2015 or 2016 if approved.

Hopefully, you have heard people talking about a building to replace our current county courthouse. Judge Buckley and I have been meeting with community leaders and others who have an interest in a new courthouse building to explain the needs of the courts and to generate ideas regarding siting and funding. An architect's report completed last year found that the current court buildings in the Thurston County Courthouse campus are inadequate to meet the needs of the court, even with significant remodeling. I likely do not need to explain the inadequacy of space and security challenges in and around Building 2 (Superior Court) and Building 3 (District Court). My major concerns are for the safety and security of the public, jurors, attorneys and staff that work at or use these buildings. I strongly believe that our community deserves better. In addition to the security study referenced above, the Board of County Commissioners has approved a study regarding courthouse options. It will involve research and recommendations to county leaders regarding the options of rebuilding the court buildings at their current location, building a new Thurston County Courthouse campus, or moving the court functions to another location. For clarification, the new courthouse discussions do not include modification of the county's plan to move jail operations to the Accountability and Restitution Center later this year, nor do they impact operations at the Family and Juvenile Court.

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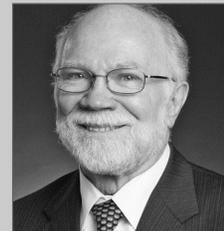
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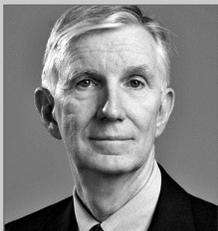
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YOUNG LAWYER SPOTLIGHT

BY: MEGAN RUE, YL CHAIR

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Kevin graduated law school and joined Connolley Tacon & Meserve in 2014. Kevin's practice focuses primarily on family law, divorce, and child custody. He also has experience defending clients facing criminal misdemeanor charges.

Kevin received his JD from Willamette University in Oregon and his BA in Psychology from Ripon College in Ripon, WI. He is a graduate of Capital High School in Olympia.

Kevin is a member of the Advisory Board of the South Sound YMCA and has spent hundreds of hours volunteering with the Olympia Host Lions Club. He enjoys hiking (especially with his dog), spending time with friends, eating, sleeping, and watching bad television.

I became a lawyer because: I've been extremely fortunate and I want to give back as much as possible. I saw legal education as a chance to emphasize and improve upon my natural skill set in a way that would allow me to create opportunities not only for myself but for those around me.

The future of the practice of law is: Full of millennials, whether you like it or not!

One of the greatest challenges in law today is: Competing with the internet. Nothing is more dangerous than incomplete information and the internet is full of it. These days people just google things like "What to do if I am charged with..." and there is no accountability in the answers they receive. I admire attorneys who take a little longer to answer a question in order to make sure they answer it correctly. Unfortunately, many clients want an instant response and this desire leads to the exchange of bad information with strangers who are unfamiliar with facts and the law.

The hardest part of being a young lawyer is: Walking the line between humility and confidence. At the time of this writing, I have been a lawyer for fewer than 65 days. To those in the profession, it's no secret that I have a lot to learn and often feel as though I am in over my head. This is par for the course. At the same time, however, clients are giving me their hard earned money with the expectation that I competently represent their interests. I am learning by doing, which is always stressful.

Someone whose opinion matters to me: Paul Battan: local attorney, husband, father, and all around stud. I have always seen Paul as a role model of professionalism and work ethic.

I am most proud of this: I believe that when push comes to shove, I will work hard to do the right thing. Even if it is not in my own best interest. At least, I hope this is true. If it is, I'm very proud of it.

The hardest part of my job: When I am unable to get my clients what they want. I know lawyers don't have the ability to wave a magic wand and fix all problems but it's still frustrating when I'm unable to lower a payment or rescind an order that I believe is doing more harm than good.

The best part of my job: When I am able to exceed a client's expectations. There's nothing better than a happy client.

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Ethics Corner

By: Christopher Lanese

In January, the WSBA Committee on Professional Ethics issued two advisory opinions, one of which has generated much discussion. Advisory Opinion 2014-02 provides guidance for attorneys who utilize professional social media websites, such as LinkedIn or Avvo. Specifically, it provided the following guidance on three different issues:

Reciprocal Endorsement-Giving. Attorneys may not agree to endorse each other on such websites in exchange for a reciprocal endorsement. In other words, Lawyer A can't say to Lawyer B, "I'll endorse you on LinkedIn if you'll endorse me." RPC 7.2(b) prohibits giving something of value for recommending an attorney's services, and an endorsement would constitute something of value.

Responsibility for Content After Claiming Profile. After an attorney "claims" or activates his or her profile on one of these websites, it is typically possible for other people—such as clients or fellow attorneys—to post ratings or endorsements on the attorney's profile page. Given that the attorney chose to participate in the website, he or she is responsible for ensuring that the attorney's profile is consistent with the Rules of Professional Conduct. This requires periodically monitoring his or her profile to ensure no ratings or endorsements are false or misleading. If there are any such false or misleading ratings or endorsements, the attorney must delete or disclaim them to the extent reasonably feasible.

Numeric and Descriptive Ratings. Some websites assign numeric and descriptive ratings to attorneys who claim their profiles. RPC 7.1 states that a "lawyer shall not make a false or misleading communication about the lawyer or the lawyer's services." Given that attorneys are responsible for ensuring that their profiles comply with the RPCs, an attorney should take reasonable steps to determine whether the rating associated with a website's profile is false or misleading and must not claim the profile if it is. If the attorney has already claimed the profile before determining that the rating is false or misleading, the attorney "must limit participation to ensuring that information is accurate and should consider posting a disclaimer, if it is reasonably feasible to do so."

Which leaves us with the critical inquiry—how does one determine whether a website's rating is false or misleading? The opinion does not answer the question of "Is Avvo's numeric rating false or misleading?" This is because the opinion is not limited to Avvo and, given the rapid pace at which technology changes, the opinion would become outdated quite quickly if it were limited to a single website at a single moment in time. Instead, the opinion provides the following guidance: the rating is false or misleading if it is "not based upon the lawyer's performance or merit and the website does not disclose how the ratings are calculated." As a result, any attorney utilizing such a website should use this standard in determining whether participation in a given website is consistent with his or her obligations under the RPCs.

Christopher Lanese is a member of the WSBA Committee on Professional Ethics and the Attorney General's Office's Ethics Committee. The opinions expressed in this article are his own. You may contact him at christopherl@atg.wa.gov with suggestions for future topics.

Worth Law Group, P.S.
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William (Bill) G. Pardee

to its talented team of attorneys.

Bill joins the firm as a Senior Associate. Bill was an Administrative Law Judge with the Washington State Department of Revenue's Appeals Division. Bill will apply his experience with the intricacies of state and local tax and his LL.M. in Taxation to his practice consisting of state and local taxation, estate planning, trust and estate taxation, federal tax, and general business transactions.

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SAVE THE DATE: The TCVLS annual fundraising breakfast has been scheduled for **TUESDAY, MAY 5th** at the Red Lion Hotel near the courthouse. The festivities begin at 7:00 a.m. and will be over by 8:30 a.m. We are pleased to have as our keynote speaker Congressman Denny Heck from Washington State's 10th Congressional District. Charles "Skip" Houser will provide closing remarks. While the event is free, a donation will be requested.

TCVLS is always grateful for those of you who give a significant donation to TCVLS in the form of an event Sponsorship. A variety of donation levels are available. We recognize Sponsors throughout the event and on our website afterwards. If you are interested in a Sponsorship, please contact Rachael Lundmark at (360) 688-1376 or by e-mailing director@tcvls.org.

If you would like to organize a group to attend, please consider being a Table Captain! Please contact Rachael to get an information packet on this important role.

See you Tuesday, May 5th at 7:00 a.m. at the Red Lion Hotel!

WELCOME NEW STAFF: Christa Lenssen has joined TCVLS as our Program Coordinator! Christa joins TCVLS after several years with the Fair Housing Center of Washington. In her role, Christa coordinates all our clinics and schedules clients and volunteers. Christa can be reached at (360) 705-8194 or via e-mail at coordinator@tcvls.org.

NEW VOLUNTEERS: One of the wonderful things about our volunteer attorneys is the diversity of their expertise. Sometimes, however, those areas of expertise don't match the issues clients come to the clinics to discuss. That is why our MENTORS are so important to the success of the clinics. These are volunteer attorneys who have significant experience in family law and who answer questions for other attorneys. A special SHOUT OUT to **Patrick Rawnsley** who mentored for the first time in February and to **Virginia Clifford** who will mentor at one of the clinics in March. They join a great list of attorneys who already mentor at our Olympia and Shelton clinics---- Gina Bissel, Larry Hoffman, Laurel Smith, Ann Redford-Hall, Bob Houle, Chris Pomeroy and Jennifer Pearson. Thank you for being such great volunteers!

NEW WAY TO SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER: There is a new way to sign up to volunteer at our clinics! TCVLS has transitioned to a new website: www.tcvls.org which includes a slick calendar feature for scheduling yourself as a volunteer at a clinic. Our regular volunteers have already received their user names and temporary passwords. If you are new to volunteering OR simply didn't get one, please contact Rachael or Christa!

THANK YOU!

The TCBA Presents: Evidence CLE

**Friday, March 27, 2015 from 1:00 p.m. - 4:20 p.m.
at Indian Summer Golf & Country Club**

12:30p.m.—Registration begins

1:00-p.m.2:00p.m

Judicial Panel with Judge Sutton, Judge Tabor, and Judge Wickham

2:20p.m.-3:10p.m.

Expert/Forensic Presentation by Professor Bill Bailey, UW Law School

3:20-p.m.4:20p.m.

Practitioner Presentation by John Skinder and Patrick O'Connor

Cost: \$50 for TCBA Members, \$100 for Non-TCBA Members

Please RSVP to Heather at tcba.info@gmail.com by Tuesday, March 24, 2015

2015 TCBA Section Chairs

Young Lawyer: Megan Rue

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ATTENTION MEMBERS

We have received a lot of renewals so far this year... Thank you if you have already sent yours in.

If you have not yet renewed your membership please remember to do so by April 1, 2015.

Any member who has not renewed by then will be removed from our email and mailing lists as well as the TCBA website no later than April 30, 2015.

The 2015 membership form is located on the back of the newsletter for your convenience.

Please note that this year there is NO charge for a weblink from the TCBA website to yours.

If you have any questions please email tcba.info@gmail.com.

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As we look to the future with these projects, we are also trying to maintain the rich history of the Thurston County Courts. You may recall that I shared this idea at a bench-bar meeting several months ago, and a group has met for a few months. A charter for the group has not yet been finalized, but many judges and retired judges, attorneys, court staff, community leaders, and skilled historians have been working on this exciting project. Judge Tabor and Justice Alexander (retired) are chairing these efforts and TCBA members Chris Lanese, Allen Miller, and Cailen Cecil Wevodau have been active participants.

Finally, I invite you to provide input on these topics and any Superior Court improvements to Court Administrator, Brooke Marshall. Although she has been in her position for less than a year, Brooke is familiar with all court operations and is currently splitting her time between the two buildings. She can be reached at (360)786-5559 or marshab@co.thurston.wa.us.

ATTENTION Members:

If you have **not** provided the TCBA with an email address you may be missing out on important notifications for CLE's and social events. The Legal Brief is the only thing to be printed and mailed in an effort for the TCBA to work towards going green.

Please contact tcba.info@gmail.com if you have any questions. Also, please remember to notify us when you change your email address or change addresses. We want to make sure you do not miss anything.

Benefits to Establishing a Link from the TCBA Website to your own Website:

- The TCBA website is accessible through the major search engines, so potential clients looking for an attorney in Thurston County can easily find you.
- You can provide potential clients with information about you and your practice in an inexpensive, efficient and professional manner.
- The website is linked from the WSBA website so attorneys from outside of Thurston County can easily find attorneys here for various cases.
- It's FREE, courtesy of TCBA as a benefit for being a TCBA member.

If you would like to include your weblink on the TCBA website, please let Heather Ligtenberg know at tcba.info@gmail.com

TCBA & Other Upcoming Events

Red Lion

The next CLE is on Friday, March 20 at 12:00 p.m. at the Red Lion. The topic is “Taking Depositions of Experts”. This CLE is approved for 1 general credit with the WSBA.

May 2015 Issue of the Legal Brief

There is a deadline of April 28, 2015 for submission of articles and advertisements to Heather Ligtenberg at tcba.info@gmail.com.

Save the Date:

The TCBA Annual Golf Tournament will be on May 9, 2015 at the Olympia Country Club at 11:00 a.m. More information to come.

TCBA Annual Dinner

The TCBA Annual Dinner is on May 15, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. at the Indian Summer Golf & Country Club.

Save the Date:

The TCBA Annual BBQ is on August 29, 2015 at 12:00 p.m. at Burfoot Park.

Save the Date:

The TCBA Holiday Lunch will be on Friday, December 11, 2015 at 12:00 p.m. at the Red Lion in Olympia.

Please refer to the “News & Events” section of our website for a full list of upcoming events:
www.thurstoncountybar.com

PLEASE NOTE: NEW IN MARCH 2015

There is a new process to RSVP for lunchtime CLEs

To reserve a seat for the lunchtime CLE at the Red Lion on March 20, 2015, pre-payment for your lunch is required. Please send your check payment (payable to TCBA) by the Friday, March 13th to: TCBA, PO Box 1653, Olympia, WA , 98507
After the TCBA receives your check, you will be placed on the RSVP list.

IF YOU DO NOT PRE-PAY, THE COST AT THE DOOR IS \$22.

New in 2015!

You can now sign-up or renew and pay online for your TCBA Membership on the TCBA website.

**Go to: www.thurstoncountybar.com
and click on “Become A TCBA Member” to get started.**

Dear Members:

Below and on the next page is this year's Law Day Speech Contest information. Please encourage any Thurston County high school students that you know to participate. The total prize money to be split among the top three speeches is \$1800. This speech contest is a great way for kids to earn money for college. The topic this year is what is the most appropriate legal, social, and moral response to the issue of Immigration. There will be at least one preliminary round the week of April 13, 2015. The top three speech presenters will then give their speeches in the Finals on May 5, 2015 during the Rotary's monthly lunch meeting. We are especially excited this year that the Finals will be at the Viewpoint Room at the West Bay Marina in front of the West Olympia Rotary and any TCBA members that are interested in attending. So please save the date so you can come watch this awesome event and cheer for our local high school students. Please pass this information to any Thurston County high school students that would like to participate. We are really hoping for a large number of students this year. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Heather at tcba.info@gmail.com. Hope to see you there!

2015 T.C.B.A. LAW DAY SPEECH CONTEST



Sponsored by the Thurston County Bar Association and the West Olympia Rotary.

This year's topic will be what, in your opinion, is the most appropriate legal, social, and moral response to the issue of immigration. The speech should be divided into two parts. First, we would like you to identify and discuss any problems you perceive with our current national immigration policy. Then, in the second part of your speech, we would like you to design a solution to the problems that you identified in the first part of your speech.

Speech presenters are encouraged to take a historical perspective on how the United States has legally dealt with immigration throughout our country's history. We strongly encourage presenters to express their own thoughts and ideas about what makes a healthy immigration policy.

Contestants can use current and past laws to highlight their arguments or can design their own laws to address the immigration issues they have identified.

The speech should be approximately five to seven minutes long. There will be a preliminary round scheduled during the week of April 13 that will take place in Superior Court at the main Thurston County Courthouse (specific time and date to be announced once we know the total number of participants). The top three speeches will advance to a final round on May 5, 2015 at the West Olympia Rotary lunch from noon to 1:30 at the Viewpoint Room at the West Bay Marina.

Prize money will be awarded to the top three speeches. The total prize money to be split among the top three speeches is \$1,800.

This speech contest is open to all high school students attending high school in Thurston County. **DEADLINE:** You must notify us of your intent to participate in the speech contest no later than 5 p.m. on March 31, 2015; please e-mail your intent to participate with your name, grade, school, and contact information to tcba.info@gmail.com. If you have specific questions, please contact Heather at the Thurston County Bar Association at tcba.info@gmail.com.

Tips for 2015 Law Day Speech Contest (and public speaking in general)

1. Know your material. Research the issues. Know more about it than you include in your speech. Be thoughtful and creative. Use humor, personal stories and conversational language to make your points.
2. Practice. And then practice some more; and practice again. Rehearse out loud. Rehearse in front of a mirror. Rehearse in front of your family and friends. Also, practice timing your speech. If parts of your speech don't work, revise it. By practicing a lot, you will become more comfortable and your presentation will get better.
3. Relax. Take a deep breath. Look at the audience. Pause. Then, begin your speech by introducing yourself; tell us your name, your age, your grade and your school. After introducing yourself, take one more deep breath, look at the audience and begin.
4. Realize that people want you to succeed. Audiences want you to be interesting, thought-provoking, informative and entertaining. We are rooting for you!
5. Don't apologize for any nervousness or any other problem. The audience probably did not notice. All of your practice will help you get back on track. Also, see #4 again, the audience is rooting for you!
6. Concentrate on your message. Try to focus your attention away from any nervousness and, instead, focus on your message and your audience.
7. Visualize yourself giving your speech. Imagine yourself speaking, your voice loud, clear and confident. Imagine having good eye contact with members of the audience and giving a persuasive speech about homelessness and poverty in our community. Visualize the audience clapping. Visualization can help boost your confidence.

It's that time of year again to think about a colleague who is deserving of the Daniel Bigelow Award. Please be sure to include as much detail as possible for the Board of Directors to consider when you are making your nomination. You are not limited to using this form, a letter or an email is acceptable.



2015
THURSTON COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION
DANIEL BIGELOW AWARD
HONORING THE LAWYER OF THE YEAR



Nominations are now being accepted for the 2015 TCBA Daniel Bigelow Award. Daniel Bigelow arrived in Thurston County in 1851 as a Harvard educated lawyer. He was instrumental in the creation of the Washington Territory in 1853 and he was a vocal advocate of equal rights, women's suffrage and public education. This award is named in Daniel Bigelow's honor and is given annually to recognize outstanding professional and community service.

The recipient of the award will be announced and honored at the annual meeting on May 15, 2015. A nomination may be made by any member of the TCBA. The nominating lawyer must be a current member of the TCBA. The Board of Trustees will select the recipient of the award after carefully considering all of the nominations.

Past recipients include: Jerry Buzzard, Ernest Meyer, Chris Meserve, Paul Battan, Ed Holm, Mary Gentry, Evelyn Foster, Ed Schaller, Steve Henderson, E. Robert Fristoe, Daniel Berschauer, Bruce Neas, Gerry Alexander, Charles Williams, Steve Bean, Frank J. Owens, Jim Connolly, Jim Dixon, Jon Tunheim, Laurel Smith, and R. Alan Swanson.

I nominate _____ for the 2015 Daniel Bigelow Award. This lawyer should be recognized with this award for the following reasons:

*Please provide as much information as possible in order to assist the Board in making an informed choice for this award. Nominations can be submitted via e-mail to tcba.info@gmail.com or mailed to the address below as an attachment to this form.

You are not limited to the blank lines below.

Name and telephone number of nominating attorney: _____

To be considered, nominations must be received by:

TUESDAY MARCH 24, 2015

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Volunteer Opportunity:

Volunteer Attorneys are needed for the 2015 YMCA High School Mock Trial State Championships on March 27-29, 2015 in Olympia. Student participants take on the roles of attorneys and witnesses in a courtroom trial in front of a real judge! Volunteer attorneys are needed to rate student performances in the courtroom and comment on their skill, poise, and knowledge of court procedures. For more information, contact YMCA Youth & Government at [360.357.3475](tel:360.357.3475), email eschmidt@seattleyymca.org or visit us online www.youthandgovernment.org

Thurston County Family and Juvenile Court and Thurston County Bar Association proudly present:

Lunchtime Education on Tuesday, March 24, 2015 at 12:15 p.m. at Family and Juvenile Court

Topic: Sexual Exploitation and Trafficking of Youth
Presented by Leslie Briner, Youth Care

No registration required. Just show up! For more information, email morganb@co.thurston.wa.us

2015 WSBA Board of Governors Meeting

**Friday, March 19, 2015
at 12:00 p.m.-1:30 p.m. at the Red Lion in Olympia.**

The WSBA Local Hero Award will be presented by WSBA President, Anthony Gipe

Please RSVP to margarets@wsba.org with your name and WSBA # by Friday, March 13

Section/Committee Announcements...

Family Law Section

The Family Law Section meets at 12:10 on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at the Family and Juvenile Justice Center.

Patrick Rawnsley is the Chair of this section.

If you have any questions please contact Patrick at (360) 754-1222 or pat@pwr-law.com

Young Lawyer Section

The Young Lawyer Section holds regular Monthly Meetings the first Tuesday of every month.

Please contact Megan Rue at megan@morganhill-law.com

Please visit the YL webpage at <http://thurstoncountybar.com/sections/young-lawyer-section/>

Thurston County Bar Association
2015 Membership Registration

NAME** _____ WSBA#** _____

FIRM NAME** _____

MAILING ADDRESS** _____
(Address)

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(State)

(Zip)

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YEAR OF ADMISSION* _____

(must be completed to qualify for dues discount)

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PLEASE MARK 3 AREAS OF PRACTICE:

- Administrative
- Adoption
- ADR/Mediation
- Appellate Practice

- Bankruptcy
- Business/Commercial Trans.
- Civil Litigation
- Civil Rights
- Collections
- Construction Law
- Criminal Law
- Dependency
- Education
- Elder/Long Term Care
- Employment/Labor
- Environmental
- Family Law
- Government
- Guardianship
- Health Care
- Immigration
- Insurance
- Intellectual Property
- Juvenile
- Land Use/Real Estate
- Landlord/Tenant
- Municipal
- Native American
- Partnerships
- Personal Injury Defense
- Personal Injury Plaintiff
- Professional Malpractice
- Real Property
- Securities
- Social Security
- Tax
- Wills/Estates/Probate
- Workers' Comp

SECTIONS AND COMMITTEES

Please indicate which section(s) and committee(s) in which you have interest. Our new database has better ability to track these choices and we will be using these categories to send specific section information to you and to seek volunteer participation in the future.

SECTIONS

- Criminal Law Section
- Family Law Section
- Land Use Section
- Solo Practitioners Section
- Young Lawyers Section

COMMITTEES

- Bench/Bar
- CLE

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I would be willing to be listed on the TCBA website as being available for Pro Bono representation.

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I would like a link from the TCBA website to my own personal website: (NO FEE for weblink)

Website address to link: _____
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PAYMENT INFORMATION

2015 Annual dues (Jan-Dec) \$50 _____
*Young Lawyer Annual dues \$25 _____
***New Member (valid until 1/31) \$0 _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED: _____

Return form and payment to: TCBA, PO
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