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**President's Message** By: Mark Wheeler

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1 During my year as TCBA President, I plan to focus on three areas. These areas are as follows: 1) maintaining and improving the spirit of collegiality that our local association is known for; 2) strengthening and improving our professionalism; and 3) helping expand our profession by including new and more diverse members. During the year to come, I will address each of these items in future columns, and highlight our Association's efforts with regard to each of these goals.

4 For purposes of today's column, I want to provide you a brief overview of our efforts in each of these areas.

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12 According to Merriam-Webster's online dictionary, "Collegiality" is the "cooperative relationship of colleagues." As members of the legal profession, we are all colleagues with special skills and a license to practice them. We improve our quality of life and that of our clients if we conduct our practice in a collegial manner. In the thirty years I have practiced in Thurston County, I have learned that the members of our legal community have a well-earned reputation for being supportive of new attorneys and of each other. Whether that support is taking a new attorney to coffee, sharing legal forms, or providing a colleague a shoulder to lean on in times of need, many of our members exemplify the spirit of cooperation and support that make Thurston County a great place to practice law.

To enhance and support those efforts, we plan a number of different events that will give our members a chance to meet each other outside of the courtroom or office, and to socialize. These events include the TCBA's participation in the WSBA's mentorship program, whose next Mixer event will be held this November. They also include the recent TCBA sponsored Tacoma Rainier's game at Cheney Stadium, potential wine or other tasting events for members, and supporting a robust list of activities for our Association's Young Lawyers.

Turning next to professionalism, our Association is committed to a number of different projects that will help us keep our skills honed to a fine edge. These projects include a full slate of half-day or member-luncheon CLEs, starting with our September 21<sup>st</sup> CLE on legal research. Our Association is also working with Adam Tenenbaum, the new Dean of South Puget Sound Community College's Paralegal Program, to help establish a curriculum that is both practical and comprehensive, and that will help produce paralegals with the skills necessary to support our profession. We also have members actively participating with the new courthouse project—which will shape where we practice for the next fifty years or more--and with the Thurston County Volunteer Legal Services—to help us meet our pro bono aspirations.

Finally, our Association will be working to expand the number of new and diverse members in our profession. Our society is a dynamic one, and our profession needs to reflect the society it springs from and serves. To that end, we will be working with the WSBA in support of its efforts to make our profession more diverse. We will also be working closely with our colleagues in the Governmental Lawyer's Association and other legal associations to broaden our membership and coordinate events of shared interest. To paraphrase our nation's traditional motto of "E Pluribus Unum," out of many lawyers, legal support staff and legal associations, we are one profession.

I look forward to working with you to achieve these goals in the coming year.

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## A View From the Bench

By Judge Carol Murphy  
Thurston County Superior Court



Thurston County Superior Court is constantly looking at ways that we can improve our justice system. Many members of the TCBA have been involved in those efforts recently, including updating our local rules, making suggestions, or taking on projects that improve the justice system in our community. I am thankful that we live in a community with an interest in improving our courts.

Like many courts, we recognize that implicit bias exists in our community, and it impacts our justice system. In response to that, our court has begun to show potential jurors a video that was prepared by lawyers and judges for the United States District Court for the Western District of Washington. The video is also available on their website and on YouTube. It provides an explanation about how implicit bias is present in each of us, and how it can impact a jury's decision. Although this information will likely not have the effect of preventing improper bias in jury decisions, the court is hopeful that it will assist some potential jurors in recognizing implicit bias.

Many of our judges are involved in the community in various ways, and my passion lately has been in civic education. I was recently appointed to the statewide Council for Public Legal Education, and I continue to learn about opportunities for elementary, middle, and high school students (as well as adults) to engage in civic education. Check out [iCivics.org](http://iCivics.org) for amazing resources for teachers, parents, and anyone who wants to learn about the foundations of our government, constitutional rights, and citizenship. The website contains many short, interactive video games and even a section that focuses on the State of Washington. If you are looking for a judge to speak or present a lesson to your child's class or any group, please contact me as I am certain that one of our judges will be happy to assist. Many Thurston County judicial officers will be participating in Constitution Day on September 17<sup>th</sup> by presenting in multiple classrooms in 9 schools throughout the county. Also, if you would like assistance with civics education project in our community, please let me know if I can help support your project.

The court is sponsoring an outreach project on October 16<sup>th</sup> called the Color of Justice. Although similar presentations have occurred throughout the country, Pierce County Superior Court Judge Helen Whitener has spearheaded the presentations in our state with the sponsorship of the Superior Court Judges Association. The program features empowerment panels, offers networking opportunities, and highlights the importance of diverse perspectives on the bench and throughout the legal profession. We will be inviting minority high school students throughout Thurston County to the courthouse to hear inspirational speakers, observe and ask questions about the legal process, and participate in small group mentoring. Perhaps one of the participants will join the bench in the future! If you are interested in assisting in this project, please reach out to Tonya Moore at [tonya.moore@co.thurston.wa.us](mailto:tonya.moore@co.thurston.wa.us), as Ms. Moore is co-chairing this project.

Finally, thank you for your patience as our court continues its efforts to improve. Although our excellent staff is often overwhelmed due to a lack of budget support, I appreciate that most of you are respectful of court staff while also making constructive suggestions. Thank you for your interest and support of our justice system in Thurston County!

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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](mailto: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.

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## YOUNG LAWYER SPOTLIGHT

BY JEN DOEHNE, YL CHAIR

### Bonnie Aslagson

WSBA No. 39023



Bonnie moved to Olympia less than a year ago, and she is very grateful for the warm reception that she has received from the legal community here. She would like to extend her thanks to those who have been so kind and welcoming. She's certainly looking forward to meeting many more local attorneys as she continues to settle in to this wonderful community. Bonnie is the Equal Justice attorney at Thurston County Legal Services.

I am most proud of this: During my 3L year at UW, I participated in the Children and Youth Legislative Advocacy Clinic. I worked with a group of five other law students and a coalition of stakeholders to help draft and pass the Homeless Children's Education Act through the Washington State Legislature, with strong bipartisan support. At the time, Washington K-12 schools reported more than 30,000 homeless students. The bill focused on improving data collection relating to the demographics and educational outcomes for these students, improving education to teachers and staff to help them identify these students, and expanding outreach to students and families about how to access available resources. Since then, additional laws aiming to help this vulnerable population have been enacted at the state level.

I became a lawyer because: I wanted to help others overcome the barriers to accessing justice.

Areas you practice: Civil Legal Aid—mostly family law, but I'm also learning more about landlord/tenant issues, wills and estates, employment law, and consumer debt

Best part of her job: Being able to help low-income clients who would otherwise have no one to help them navigate the legal system.

I can't live without: Macaroni and Cheese

Best stress reliever: Spending time outside, disconnected from technology

My favorite vacation place: Washington and Oregon coasts (but really I'm happy anywhere with a beach)



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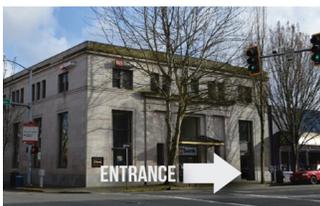
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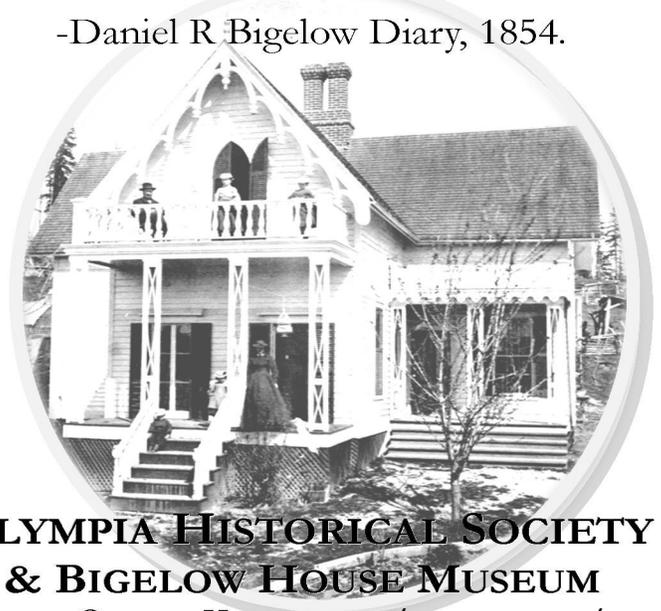
**September 19, 2018  
at 4:00 p.m. at  
Thurston County Superior Court**

**A post ceremony celebration to follow  
at Anthony’s Heathfire.**

Many organizations have been interested in contributing time and funds to host these new admittees—please let Jen Doehne know at [jdoehne@bgwp.net](mailto:jdoehne@bgwp.net) if your group is interested in partnering with the Young Lawyer division!

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-Daniel R Bigelow Diary, 1854.



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## News from the Law Library

### **New on the Washington State Law Library Blog!**

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### **National Consumer Law Center Digital Library**

The State Law Library now subscribes to the National Consumer Law Center's (NCLC) Digital Library, providing access to a myriad of resources on consumer law. The database has more than 20 treatises on debtor rights, credit and banking, consumer litigation, and deception and warranties including some recently updated titles such as *Fair Debt Collection* (9<sup>th</sup> ed., 2018), *Consumer Banking and Payments Law* (6<sup>th</sup> ed., 2018), *Fair Credit Reporting* (9<sup>th</sup> ed., 2018), *Collection Actions* (4<sup>th</sup> ed., 2017), and *Federal Deception Law* (3<sup>rd</sup> ed., 2017). Like our subscription to LexisAdvance, this database is accessible only by law library staff, but sections can be downloaded and sent to you by email. Library staff can also run searches in the database on your behalf.

### **Additions to WSL's Collection**

WSL recently added a number of new titles to our collection. Below are some of our new books, along with links to the titles in WSL's catalog:

Construction Law Handbook, 3<sup>rd</sup> ed.

Education Law: Pressing Issues

Family Evaluation in Custody Litigation: Promoting Optimal Outcomes and Reducing Ethical Risks

Judges' Bench Guide on the LGBTQ Community and the Law

Principles of Alternative Dispute Resolution

Social Media and the Law

Many more new books were highlighted on our blog in a two-part series. The first post covers criminal, juvenile, and social justice titles, the second covers legal treatises.

### **Fine and Fee Calculator**

The Washington State Supreme Court Minority and Justice Commission recently launched the prototype of its legal financial obligations (LFO) calculator. The beta calculator is available online, and more information can be found on the Washington Courts website. The calculator was developed by Microsoft, in conjunction with the MJC, and is designed for judges to use as a tool to help determine a person's ability to pay LFOs.

### **Upcoming Holiday Closures**

WSL will be closed on Monday, September 3 (Labor Day); Monday, November 12 (Veteran's Day observed); Thursday, November 22 (Thanksgiving); and Friday, November 23 (Native American Heritage Day).

Contributed by Washington State Law Library reference staff.

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

Mike DeWitt is the Chair of this section.

If you have any questions please contact Mike at (360) 701-0864 or [mike@dewittlawpllc.com](mailto:mike@dewittlawpllc.com)

#### Young Lawyer Section

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

Jennifer Doehne is the Chair of this section. Her email address is [jdoehne@bgwp.net](mailto:jdoehne@bgwp.net)

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

## The 25th Annual Northwest Dispute Resolution Conference

The 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Northwest Dispute Resolution Conference will take place on **Thursday and Friday, March 28-29, 2019**, at the University of Washington School of Law in Seattle. The Conference Planning Committee is **now seeking proposals on topics related to dispute resolution** for this exciting multi-track conference.

As in prior years, we expect more than 300 attendees from a diverse array of dispute resolution professionals of all practice levels, including mediators, ombuds, lawyers, arbitrators, law students, HR management professionals, and academics. We welcome all proposals, and encourage you to think outside the box!

To be considered for inclusion in our program, please submit your proposal(s) to the committee no later than **Monday, October 15, 2018**. Our Request For Proposals (RFP) as well as previous conference programs are available on our website, <http://www.nwdrconference.org/>.

Whether you choose to submit a proposal, we encourage you to attend our conference and to consider becoming a conference sponsor. Please visit our website to view the benefits of sponsorship, and do not hesitate to contact us with any questions.

Please mark your calendars now for this great event, and let others know about it as well. We look forward to welcoming you to the conference in March 2019!

Thank you,

Melissa Fuller & Sasha Philip  
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 2019 Conference Co-Chairs  
 Northwest Dispute Resolution Conference Planning Committee



### United Way Day of Caring on September 28, 2018

A team of TCBA members will participate in this year's 26th annual United Way Day of Caring on September 28, 2018, the single largest day of volunteerism in Thurston County.

You can volunteer in the morning, afternoon, or all day, whatever works for your schedule.

If you would like to volunteer, please email Heather at [tcba.info@gmail.com](mailto:tcba.info@gmail.com) by September 26, 2018.

The Thurston County Family & Juvenile Court and  
Thurston County Bar Association present...

### "2018 Case Law Update"

A presentation by Charles Szurszewski and  
Chris Meserve, Attorneys at Law.

Chuck Szurszewski and Chris Meserve will provide a synopsis of evolving family law issues, including an overview of Washington State appellate court decisions impacting the practice of family law.

**Tuesday, September 25, 2018**

12:15 to 1:15 pm  
 Family and Juvenile Court Building, Courtroom 2  
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\* Continuing Legal Education (CLE) credit is free. This program is pending approval for 1 CLE credit. For more information on CLE approval, please contact the TCBA. No pre-registration is required. Members of the public are welcome. For directions or information, call Court Administration at (360)709-3295.

## TCBA & Other Upcoming Events

**TCBA Member Luncheon and CLE in September:** The next TCBA Member Luncheon and CLE is on Friday, September 21, 2018 at 11:30 a.m. at Hotel RL. The topic is Legal Research: Pitfalls and Pathways presented by Thurston County Superior Court Commissioner, Rebekah Zinn and Washington State Law Librarian, Robert Mead. See page 15 for more information.

**Swearing-in Ceremony:** Wednesday, September 19, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. at Thurston County Superior Court. See page 7 for information about the post ceremony celebration.

**United Way Day of Caring:** Friday, September 28, 2018. See page 10 for more information.

**TCBA Member Luncheon and CLE in October:** The October Member Luncheon and CLE will be on October 19, 2018 at 11:30 a.m. at Hotel RL. Topic: TBA

**November 2018 Issue of the Legal Brief:** The deadline to submit articles and advertisements for the November 2018 Legal Brief is October 23, 2018. Please email them to Heather Ligtenberg at [tcba.info@gmail.com](mailto:tcba.info@gmail.com).

**Fall Brown Bag Event For Legal Support Staff:** November 1, 2018 at the Thurston County Superior Court, Courtroom 102 at 12:00 p.m. Bring your lunch. Topics: Local Court Rules, Scheduling Telephonics, Arbitration, Judges' Copies, and Summary Judgments.

**Save the Date:** The Annual Holiday Lunch will be on December 14, 2018 at the Olympia Country & Golf Club.

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### **IT'S TIME TO RENEW YOUR COMMITMENT TO PRO BONO**

Summer's end is upon us and it's time to organize our schedules for the remainder of the year. Why not include volunteering at a legal advice clinic in your schedule? We need attorneys these evenings:

1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday	Shelton
1 <sup>st</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursdays	SafePlace
2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesdays	Family Support Center
3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday	Aberdeen
3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday	Family Support Center

Every Friday morning at Thurston County Superior Court, volunteer attorneys are needed for the Housing Justice Project. For more information, call Christa at 360-810-2321!

### **PRO BONO REPRESENTATION**

TCVLS matches attorneys for those low income clinic clients who do not have the capacity to self-represent. THANK YOU to those of you who answered the call to provide pro bono representation so far in 2018!

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Ajai Singh Khalsa	Sarah Nagy
Katie Krieger	Jessy Nations
Ronda Larson	Walter Smith
Holly Scott Laukkonen	Chuck Szuszewski

### **BEER & JUSTICE**

Thursday, October 18 5:00 to 7:00 pm  
Water Street Wine Cellar  
610 Water Street SW  
Olympia

Always a fun event, the Campaign for Equal Justice's annual fundraiser is October 18. Come join us for drinks and appetizers and the chance to donate to the Legal Foundation of Washington which supports civil legal aid organizations such as TCVLS.

### **SAVE THESE CLE DATES:**

*September 12 Current Events in  
Immigration Law and Special  
Immigrant Juvenile Status*

*September 27 Basics of Wills and  
Estates*

*For more details, contact Bonnie at  
(360) 742-3540 or  
[attorney@tcvls.org](mailto:attorney@tcvls.org)*

**THANKS TO THE THURSTON  
COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION  
FOR SUPPORTING TCVLS!**

## “In Re: Tom Keehan”

**Name and year admitted to Bar:** Tom Keehan, 2004

**Areas you practice in:** Criminal defense, labor & employment, landlord/tenant, civil protection orders and some civil litigation.

**I became a lawyer because . . .** I wanted to pursue a profession where I would be helping people who needed help.

**The hardest part of being a lawyer is . . .** Coping with and supporting clients through the heartbreak and tragedy that many clients have experienced or are currently experiencing. Sometimes the tragedy and grief in my client’s cases involve violent acts where the client has inflicted great harm upon a victim. The challenge lies in maintaining the balance between the dedication to the client and his right to zealous advocacy yet still making room to mourn, grieve and respect the humanity in everyone.

**I would give this advice to a first-year law student:** Remember that your there to learn how to think like a lawyer, how to interpret the law, and the how to use the tools, techniques and doctrines to apply the law to any set of facts in order to persuasively argue for a desired result. You’re not there to memorize the minutia. Also, lighten up, don’t focus on the competition, instead embrace the collegiality of your peers and at least try to have some fun.

**Traits I admire in other attorneys:** A sense of humor, unshakeable integrity, and the ability to lose gracefully and win humbly.

**If I were not practicing law, I would be . . .** Probably looking for work as a professor of philosophy at a university in Buenos Aires.

**What animal best represents you and why?** Osprey- I’d just love the life: soaring high above alpine lakes, then dive bombing onto a beautiful trout and eating it fresh! What’s not to love about that?

**What is the first thing you will do when you retire?** Shove off in my sailboat to explore the Inside Passage to Alaska.

**If you could time travel, would you go to the past or the future? Why?** The Future- I’d want to find out whether humankind ultimately finds a way to live sustainably and peacefully so that we all thrive, or whether we get wiped out by nuclear war, or climate change induced famine and drought.

**What words of wisdom would you pass on to your childhood self?** Spend your money on experiences, not things. You’ll always have the memories of the beautiful places you see, but most of the clothes, toys or whatever thing you think you “need” right now, will just end up in a landfill or donated to Goodwill when your adult-self cleans out your parent’s house decades from now.

**What words of wisdom would you give to a young lawyer new to the profession?** Be in the courtroom ready to go when the judge takes the bench.

### **Brief synopsis of you, your personal life, your work life, and any special awards or activities.**

I’m a native of Wisconsin. I moved to Washington with my wife, Laura, after earning my J.D. in 2004 from the University of Wisconsin School of Law. Shortly after graduation I opened my first law firm, Keehan Law Office, in Westport. After a couple years as a solo practitioner, I formed a partnership with my mentor, David Hatch, and moved to Montesano where I practiced for almost 6 years. I joined Younglove & Coker in 2012, having met Chris Coker in various courtrooms around the harbor. By 2012, my wife had been working for the City of Olympia as a city planner for many years and we were spending a lot of time in Olympia, often using our sailboat as a waterfront mini-condo. We finally decided to move to Olympia in 2012, leaving our historic home (read: lots of maintenance & yard work) for a townhouse in a HOA on Oly’s near Westside (read: yard maintenance provided). I spend free time and weekends hiking, fishing, walking my Goldendoodle or racing on a friend’s sailboat. I’ve been racing with the same crew for nearly 10 years, as well as moonlighting on other boats when the opportunity arises. I love seeing live music, especially Widespread Panic, but bluegrass or funk bands with big horn sections are fun too. Whenever possible, I love to travel. I try to use my vacation days for international travel. My wife and I are currently planning a trip to Vietnam that will be a welcome reprieve from February’s rainy darkness.

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  - Personal injury
- Business and real property matters.
  - Civil appeals.
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### ***MEMBER'S CORNER***

This is the “Member’s Corner” section.

You can make announcements regarding retirement, new hires, births, marriage, in memoriam notices, etc.

This section will be free to members of the TCBA, and is different than our current ad section.

If you have any announcements, please send them to Heather at [tcba.info@gmail.com](mailto:tcba.info@gmail.com).

#### **NOTICE OF RETIREMENT**

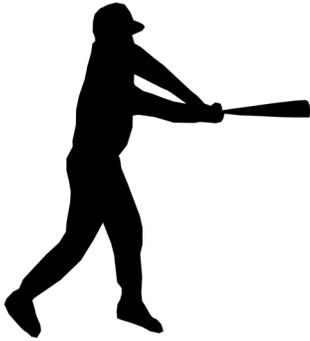
THOMAS J. TAYLOR announces his RETIREMENT from 45 years in the practice of law (40 yrs. in private practice), effective July 13, 2018. The law firm of Taylor Law Group, PS, will also close on that date. It has been a challenging and consuming experience but more so, an exciting and satisfying adventure.

I want to thank my clients of all types and character, individual, business, corporate, non-profit, and public, for your trust and faithfulness in my legal services and for your referrals over the years. Also, thank you former associates, law firm staff, colleagues, court-house personnel, judges, family, and friends, for your dependable and competent support and assistance.

And I want to express my appreciation for the opportunity to serve the public as Deputy Prosecuting Attorney for Thurston County for five years, as Tumwater City Attorney for 18 years, and as General Counsel for Intercity Transit for 13 years.

I’m looking forward to a great retirement.

Tom Taylor  
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## **TCBA Night at the Tacoma Rainiers Game**

The TCBA organized a night at the Tacoma Rainiers game at Cheney Stadium for TCBA members and their family members on August 16, 2018!

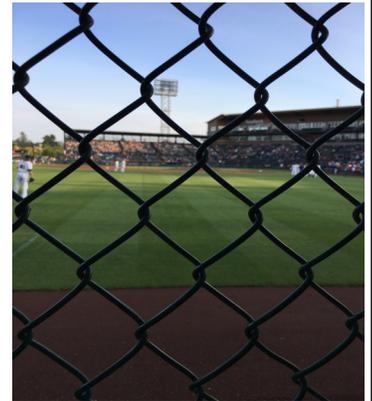
TCBA Members and their families enjoyed an evening of baseball from the Bullpen Lounge in the outfield. The attendees enjoyed all you can eat barbecue hamburgers and hotdogs along with unlimited soda and water. A premium beer was available for the adults.

Congratulations to Jeff Kinstler, Legal Assistant at Connolly Tacon and Meserve, for winning the raffle prize, an autographed bat signed by Ian Miller, one of the Seattle Mariners top prospects.

It was a great opportunity to connect with friends and colleagues and their family members in a fun and relaxed setting.

Thank you to the TCBA Members who attended this event!

A special thanks to TCBA Board Members Heidi Raedel Magaro for helping at the check-in booth and for being the “go to” at the event and thank you to Patrick O’Connor and Megan Card for serving on the planning committee.



## **The Thurston County Bar Association presents... September Member Luncheon and CLE**

### **“Legal Research: Pitfalls and Pathways ”**

**Presented by Thurston County Superior Court Commissioner Rebekah Zinn and Washington State Law Librarian, Robert Mead**

Do you lack confidence in whether your research skills are as good as they can be?

Are you in a research rut, following the same path without rethinking whether there is a better way?

This course will explain common pitfalls in legal research and present a clear pathway to get more efficient and effective results.

It will focus on resources that are readily available in Thurston County, including free and convenient access to the State Law Library. There will be also be discussion about how best to present legal authorities to courts.

**Friday, September 21, 2018 @ 11:30 a.m. at Hotel RL (Red Lion)**

2300 Evergreen Park Dr. SE, Olympia

1 CLE credit is has been approved with the WSBA.

The cost for members and their non-attorney staff to attend is \$21. The cost for non-member attorneys to attend is \$26.

Registration and “Social Hour” 11:30am—12:00pm Presentation from 12:10pm-1:10pm

**PLEASE NOTE: PRE-PAYMENT BY CHECK OR ONLINE IS REQUIRED BY  
Tuesday, September 18 at 5:00 p.m.**

Please register and pre-pay on the TCBA website, [www.thurstoncountybar.com](http://www.thurstoncountybar.com) or send your \$21 check payment (payable to TCBA) to: TCBA, PO Box 1653, Olympia, WA 98507

\*Once your check or online payment is received you will be placed on the RSVP list.

If you do not pre-pay, the cost at the door for members and their non-attorney staff is \$26.

The cost at the door for non-member attorneys is \$31.



**Superior Court of the State of Washington  
For Thurston County**

## *Fall Brown Bag Event*

for  
Legal Support Staff

**November 1, 2018 at 12:00 pm  
2000 Lakeridge Dr SW  
Bldg 2 Courtroom 102**

**Topics to be discussed:  
Local Court Rules  
Scheduling Telephonics  
Arbitration  
Judges' Copies  
Summary Judgments**

*Please bring your lunch to enjoy during the event.*

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