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I want to thank all of you for your comments and gestures regarding my last article. Many of you took time out of your day to send me a personal message or even stopped by my office to talk about the connection that you felt reading my thoughts. I'll try to live up to your kind words. Thank you.

For those who missed last month, I wrote about the duty that I believe we each shoulder to help our clients, our community, and each other. I wrote about my experiences growing up, but I also wrote that many of you have embodied the spirit of helping that should and must permeate our profession.

The legal landscape is shifting. Much of the shift is a direct result of the pandemic. Many hearings are postponed or delayed indefinitely. Trials are similarly limited or on hold altogether, although some courts are starting to get trials underway again. What hearings we do have are frequently being made with video appearances from all parties. Each of us has a role to play in helping our clients and each other navigate through these new procedures. The various courts in which I practice are no longer working from a common set of rules. Each court has its own, distinct way of proceeding.

Some of that may sound no different from the way things have always been. Yes, each court has always had its own unwritten rules that lurked alongside the written ones. Now even the written rules are of little utility for much of the actual procedure to operate in any given place. The unwritten rules change as swiftly as each judge, clerk, or administrator thinks of a way to try to make things flow more smoothly. A myriad of changes conflict, and the hapless practitioner must still find some correct path through.

Despite the challenges, many of the changes are illuminating efficiencies that might outlive their viral origins. The ability to appear by video for scheduling or other procedural matters seems likely to remain. We do not need to have courtrooms packed to or beyond capacity to perform many of our vital functions.

Even as we seek new ways to fill our duties, we must also ensure that everyone's rights are still maintained. Plaintiffs, defendants, judges, clerks, and even opposing counsel continue to be living, breathing people who deserve to understand why things are running the way they are. It may be convenient for some people to shrug and say "COVID", but that is not useful, and it can compound an already strained understanding of our roles.

As we work through this, let's all try to make a little extra effort to help our clients understand why the case is postponed, or why that trial is not going forward yet. Let's do what we can to support each other and remain mindful of Judge Dixon's thoughts in his View from the Bench article this month.

As Judge Dixon points out, a little civility can pay marvelous dividends. This is of particular importance when there is a power imbalance, or when dealing with someone you might find distasteful. Civility seems especially crucial in moments like these, when very nearly every person is already coping with so many changes and challenges. Be open to listening to each other, and let's try to work together to find a new mode of operation that is even better than the system that served us for so many years.

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A View From the Bench

**By Judge James Dixon
Thurston County Superior Court**



An Appreciation For Appreciation of Civility

“Civility is hard to codify or legislate but you know it when you see it. It is possible to disagree without being disagreeable.” Sandra Day O’Connor.

It occurred to me, recently, that I have been fortunate to witness several deliberate instances of decorum and civility from practicing attorneys. It is important to recognize these thoughtful acts, as most of them occurred in the courtroom and, accordingly, in view of others.

No doubt, we are all familiar with the recent and not-so-recent spate of publications and articles decrying the erosion of courtroom decorum. If not, Google it. And, we have all witnessed, first-hand, conduct in our courtrooms that is unflattering and sometimes embarrassing. Perhaps that is why we all silently, and sometimes verbally, appreciate acts of civility.

“Civil” is a derivative of the Latin term, “civilis,” meaning “relating to a citizen with all due rights.” Accordingly, the proper usage of “civil” might imply something in addition to, or other than, being polite; Rather, perhaps, an obligation or responsibility.

“Decorum” is another Latin term meaning “beauty, grace.” The corresponding adjective is “decorous,” meaning “well-behaved in a particular situation.”

Herewith, some of the aforementioned instances of civility and decorum in my courtroom:

1. Two lawyers asking for permission to be seated while they address the Court (so as to facilitate a “Zoom” appearance).
2. An attorney apologizing to the Court and counsel for interrupting.
3. Attorneys asking to be excused from Court after a final appearance on a calendar.
4. Attorneys prefacing their arguments with “May it please the Court ...”
5. An attorney providing the court reporter with her business card in advance of the hearing so the reporter could accurately spell the attorney’s name.
6. An attorney asking for permission to approach the bench so she could offer an apology for visibly reacting to an adverse ruling. (This prompted me, upon reflection, to offer personal apologies to two different attorneys to whom I had previously been less than polite. They both graciously accepted my apology).
7. An attorney explaining to me, after a case had been resolved, why he had filed a Notice of Disqualification. (This was obviously very difficult for this young man and, although I silently disagreed with his concerns, I greatly appreciated his courage and honesty).
8. Two litigants, plaintiff and defendant, shaking hands and offering mutual apologies after a particularly contentious trial involving a boundary line dispute.
9. Two instances (same day) of attorneys introducing their children to opposing counsel, followed by an attorney introducing his young son to me (take your child to work day). That really put things in perspective!
10. An experienced attorney, in a mentor role, explaining to a less experienced colleague that his argument to the court was emotion-driven and, as such, not well-conceived or based in law.

Please take a moment out of your busy day and reflect on instances you have observed, or occasions in which you have been decorous and civil in the courtroom. And, I suggest all of us (me included) make conscious and continuous effort to treat each other with respect. It behooves us to do so, both professionally and personally.



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YOUNG LAWYER SPOTLIGHT

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- ◆ **Areas you practice:** Real estate, business, and anything else my superiors want my practice to expand to.
- ◆ **The hardest part of being a young lawyer is:** Knowing when to ask a colleague for advice on an issue or input on the reading of a rule. Is the answer to the question I'm going to ask an obvious one?
- ◆ **If you weren't a lawyer what would you be:** Prior to practicing, I would probably be in finance or accounting. After practicing for a few years, I would be a teacher. Educating my clients and the court is my favorite part of practicing.
- ◆ **Law school activities:** Legislative advocacy clinic and UW Law's softball team.
- ◆ **Trait I admire in other attorneys OR best advice received:** The best advice I've received is to give a new client the space to tell their story when first meeting them. They need to trust me with their issue. Hearing them out is a good way to accomplish that.
- ◆ **Three favorite places in Thurston County:** The Capitol Campus, any of the oyster bars in downtown Olympia, and my office.
- ◆ **Book I would recommend to others:** A Year in Provence by Peter Mayle. It's the story of an Englishman moving to rural France and finding comfort in a simpler life.

- ◆ **Favorite song right now:** A Change is Gonna Come by Sam Cooke. I recently watched Regina King's film adaptation of One Night in Miami, which led me to digging into Sam Cooke's discography.
- ◆ **First thing you'll do when all businesses/activities are open:** I will be very happy to find myself in a theater again.
- ◆ **What you like about being a part of TCBA:** I liked going to TCBA lunches and meeting other attorneys. For now, I'm enjoying the newsletter and occasional Zoom meeting.

About me: I grew up in the Puyallup-Tacoma area. I studied at the University of San Diego and the UW School of Law. Like so many of us, I enjoy our area's golf courses, forests, mountains, and lakes, which certainly helped me decide to settle down here.

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If you would like to be featured in the Young Lawyer Spotlight or know someone you would like your fellow lawyers to get to know, email Brooke at bfrickleton12@gmail.com.

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TCBA Virtual Law Day Speech Contest

The TCBA Law Day Speech Contest co-sponsored with the West Olympia Rotary is going to be a virtual event in April this year.

The topic this year is “Free Speech in the Age of Twitter”

Information about the event including the date and time of the preliminary and final rounds will be announced soon. If you know any high school students in Thurston County that would be interested in participating in this event, please let them know. We are hoping for a large number of students this year. There will be prize money for the top three speeches. This speech contest is a great way for high school students to earn money for college.

If you have any questions about this event, please contact Heather at tcba.info@gmail.com.



Thurston County Volunteer Legal Services needs YOU!

We are always looking for new volunteers to help give legal advice to low income individuals and families who are self-representing on civil matters. Most often these are family law and housing issues. We have mentors who will help you if these are not your practice areas.

Contact Sara Hollar at TCVLS:
360-915-7488 or coordinator@tcvls.org

**Please join the Thurston County Bar Association Members at the
2021 WSBA Board of Governors Meeting and Local Hero Virtual Presentation
on March 18, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. on Zoom.**

The WSBA will be honoring our 2021 Local Hero Award Winner during the presentation!

The Zoom link will be emailed to all members closer to the meeting date.

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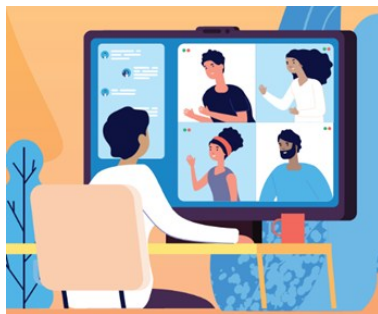
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News from the Washington State Law Library

Our New Catalog is Here!

In the previous TCBA newsletter, we mentioned the impending arrival of our new library catalog, named Koha. The site went live in January and we are thrilled to share it with you. You can access Koha by clicking the 'Catalog' button on our website menu (<http://www.courts.wa.gov/library/>) or by visiting <https://librarycatalog.courts.wa.gov/>.

In the new system, you can receive text message reminders about due dates and holds, view book covers, browse a full shelf of titles virtually and much more. You are now able to save book lists and manage your circulation history from your phone or other devices. Once we reopen our doors to foot traffic, we will be able to print lists and receipts for you at the circulation desk, among many other new features.

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Library Blog Highlights

It's a great time to get caught up on all of our resource-rich blog posts, written by our law librarians. In the New Year, we have already covered the 2021 legislative session, provided tips for constitutional research, outlined recent advances in Indian Law and provided an overview of efforts to eradicate racism in Washington and beyond. State Law Librarian Rob Mead also wrote a post on the state of the Law Library in 2020. For these posts and more, follow the law library blog at <https://medium.com/walawlibrary>.

Curbside Service Updates:

Thinking of heading to the Temple of Justice to pick up or return books? Please check the library website first! Curbside service for checkouts and returns has been temporarily suspended due to enhanced security measures on the capitol campus. However, we do have options for you to checkout and return your books. Call or email us to work with a librarian to find the best option for you.

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We do not have a scheduled opening date, but will post any updates as soon as we get them on our website (<http://www.courts.wa.gov/library/>). You can also stay up to date through the law library blog (<https://medium.com/walawlibrary>). We look forward to seeing you back in the law library when we open our doors again and look forward to hearing from you in the meantime.

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The Judicial Evaluation Survey was sent to members via email on March 1st. If you did not receive the email with the link to complete the online survey, please contact the TCBA at tcba.info@gmail.com
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TCBA Diversity & Inclusion Section Meeting

March 24, 2021 from Noon to 1:15. on Zoom

All TCBA Members are invited to attend the meeting

Mary Hall and Emmett O'Connell from the Thurston County Auditor's Office will be speaking about "Discriminatory Covenants" that still exist in Thurston County today. They will discuss the problem and a relatively simple process to resolve the issue.

The Zoom link will be emailed to all TCBA members closer to the meeting date. If you would like to attend this meeting but are not on the TCBA email list, please email the TCBA at tcba.info@gmail.com.



Interested in getting more involved in the TCBA?

A great way get involved is to join the TCBA CLE Committee!

Please contact Heather at tcba.info@gmail.com for more information.

Looking for a new job opportunity or do you want to advertise a job opportunity at your law firm?

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TCBA is on Facebook!!

Join the **private** TCBA group at the link below where you will see information about the TCBA events and CLEs:

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You can also "like" the TCBA **public** page at the link below, but we will only be posting limited events open to

non-members on the public page:
<https://www.facebook.com/thurstoncountybar/>

The TCBA Real Estate and Land Use Section has organized a section CLE on March 25, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. on Zoom.

The topic is "Legal Issues Addressing Homelessness" presented by Jeffrey Myers, Attorney at Law, Lyman, Daniel, Kamerrer, and Bogdanovich

The CLE has been approved for 1 credit with the WSBA. The CLE is free. If you are a member of this section and would like to RSVP for this CLE, please contact Heather Burgess at hburgess@phillipsburgesslaw.com

TCBA & Other Upcoming Events

May 2021 Issue of the Legal Brief: The deadline to submit articles and advertisements for the May 2021 Legal Brief is May 6, 2021. Please email them to Heather Ligtenberg at tcba.info@gmail.com.

2021 WSBA Board of Governors Meeting and Local Hero Presentation: The WSBA will be honoring our Local Hero winner during a virtual presentation on March 18, 2021 on Zoom. More information will be emailed to you closer to the meeting date.

Please Note: The TCBA Annual Meeting is on May 14, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. on Zoom. We will be offering lunch from a local restaurant, *jean pierre three16*, for the meeting. More information will be emailed to you soon.

Save the Date: The TCBA Summer BBQ is on August 7, 2021 at Burfoot Park (if it is safe to gather in-person).

Save the Date: The TCBA Annual Holiday Luncheon is on December 10, 2021 at the Olympia Golf & Country Club at 12:00 p.m. (if it safe to gather in-person).

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

Section/Committee Announcements...

Diversity and Inclusion Section

The next section meeting will be on March 24, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. via Zoom. Please see page 10 for more information. All TCBA Members are welcome to attend. The TCBA will email the Zoom link to all members closer to the meeting date.

Larry Jefferson and Jessica Shen are the Co-chairs of this section.

If you have questions, please contact Larry at LarryJefferson@comcast.net or Jessica at Jessica.Shen@co.thurston.wa.us

The section webpage is: <https://thurstoncountybar.com/diversity-and-inclusion/>

Criminal Law Section

The next meeting is a lunchtime ed session on March 30, 2021 with the Capital Recovery Center’s Bupe Clinic. The session will be an introduction to some of the local players in the treatment community and to explore the topic of harm reduction.

All members are welcome to attend.

Lindsey Trakel and Angela Colauita are the Co-chairs of this section.

If you have any questions, please contact

Lindsey at Lindsey.Trakel@co.thurston.wa.us or

Angela at Angela.Colauita@co.thurston.wa.us.

The section webpage is: <https://thurstoncountybar.com/sections/criminal-law-section/>

Family Law Section

The next meeting is on March 9, 2021 at 12:10 p.m. via Zoom. Meredith will email the Zoom link to all of the section members.

Meredith Gerhart is the Chair of this section.

If you have any questions, please contact Meredith at (360) 350-6505 or Meredith@gerhartlegal.com

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Real Estate, Land Use and Environmental Law Section

The next meeting is a CLE on March 25, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. on Zoom. See page 10 for more information.

Heather Burgess is the Chair of this section.

If you have any questions, please contact Heather at hburgess@phillipsburgesslaw.com.

The section webpage is:
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Young Lawyer Section

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the next section meeting is to be determined.

Brooke Frickleton is the Chair of this section.
Her email address is bfrickleton12@gmail.com.

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The campaign is May 5th – 9th. There will be a special lunchtime event starring Thurston County Superior Court Judge Sharonda Amamilo.

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Contact Rachael Lundmark, Executive Director at director@tcvls.org or 360-515-5381.



“In Re: Loreva (Lori) Preuss”

By Michael Young

Name and year admitted to Bar: Loreva (Lori) Preuss, 2002.

Areas you practice in: I currently serve as a judge pro tem for district and municipal courts. I’m a former deputy prosecutor, rule and bill drafter, law-enforcement advisor, policy analyst, and administrative-law judge.

I became a lawyer because . . . During grad school, I temped at a law firm where attorneys allowed me to edit their work. I became hooked on legal research and writing. One day during that time, my dog bit a person who scared the daylights out of me. My dog didn’t break the person’s skin, and the person never threatened to sue. But, I hated not knowing my options if the person took legal action.

The hardest part of being a lawyer is . . . mastering new bodies of law. Few attorneys practice in only one area for their entire career.

I would give this advice to a first-year law student: Think hard about subjects that interest you and try to get internships or experience in at least a few. Don’t focus on just one. Options are worthwhile.

Traits I admire in other attorneys: Honesty, civility, and candor.

If I were not practicing law, I would be . . . a book editor or technical writer.

What is the first thing you will do when you retire? I doubt I will retire. But, as I scale back in my later years, I want to volunteer at elementary schools, helping struggling students learn to read.

If you could time travel, would you go to the past or the future? Why? After watching the Black Mirror episode “Metalhead” (Season 4, Episode 5), I am terrified of artificial intelligence and the future. I was born in the mid-60s and really enjoyed being a free-range farm kid. If I had to time travel, I’d go back to then. But, I’m happy being alive right now, and I look forward to cars that fly.

What words of wisdom would you pass on to your childhood self? Live by the Golden Rule.

What words of wisdom would you give to a young lawyer new to the profession? Be sure to volunteer or participate in your community. New attorneys often take jobs in rural areas and/or work massive overtime. It’s easy to feel isolated. Community involvement deters this and yields personal satisfaction and connections.

Brief synopsis of you, your personal life, your work life, and any special awards or activities: I’m a passionate advocate of therapeutic courts. I was diagnosed only a few years ago with post-traumatic stress disorder, which answered a lot of questions and allowed me to grow as I worked through it. Many people suffer from challenges they are unaware of or cannot solve on their own. Programs like therapeutic courts help defendants in those positions achieve their full potential and live fulfilling lives.

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2021
THURSTON COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION
DANIEL BIGELOW AWARD
HONORING THE LAWYER OF THE YEAR

Nominations are now being accepted for the 2021 Thurston County Bar Association Daniel Bigelow Award. This award is named in Daniel Bigelow's honor and is given annually to recognize an outstanding professional and community service. 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. He was a vocal advocate of equal rights, women's suffrage and public education.

The recipient of the award will be announced and honored at the annual meeting on May 14, 2021. A nomination may be made by any member of the TCBA. The TCBA Board of Directors are not eligible for the award. The Board 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, James Dixon, Jon Tunheim, Laurel Smith, R. Alan Swanson, Jim Powers, Edward Earl Younglove III, Fred D. Gentry, Richard G. Phillips, Jr., Larry Jefferson.

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I nominate _____ for the 2021 Daniel Bigelow Award.

Please send this nomination form along with a **typed letter** detailing the nominee's qualifications. Please list, in detail, all of the reasons that this nominee deserves the Daniel Bigelow Award. Relevant information may include, but is not limited to, the following information about the nominee:

- Outstanding professional service during the course of their career.
- Involvement in community service (legal or non-legal) during the course of their career.
- How the nominee has made Thurston County a better place to live and practice law.
- Years of service in the legal profession as an attorney, judge, or other law related profession.
- Mentorship to other attorneys in the local or state bar association.
- Involvement in legal committees, sections, or other boards.
- Pro bono hours or low income legal work.
- Activities in Thurston County or outside counties.
- Any other awards received or recognition by peers (legal or non-legal).
- Any publications.
- Member of other service organizations (i.e. Rotary Club, Junior League, etc.).
- Any other information helpful to the Board in making this determination.

The Board will weigh and consider the information contained in each nomination. Please provide as much substantive information about the qualifications of the nominee as possible in order to assist the Board in making an informed choice for this award.

To be considered nominations must be received by: Monday, April 5, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.
Please email to: tcba.info@gmail.com **or mail to:** TCBA, PO Box 1653, Olympia, WA 98507

Check out the 2020 Bigelow Award Winner, Larry Jefferson, video on the TCBA website:
<https://thurstoncountybar.com/2020-bigelow-award-recipient-larry-jefferson/>

Thurston County Bar Association
2021 Membership Registration

NAME** _____ WSBA#** _____

FIRM NAME** _____

MAILING ADDRESS** _____
(Address)

(City) _____ (State) _____ (Zip) _____

OFFICE PHONE** _____ YEAR OF ADMISSION* _____
(must be completed to qualify for dues discount)

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PLEASE MARK 3 AREAS OF PRACTICE:

- Administrative
Adoption
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Appellate Practice
Bankruptcy
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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
LLLT
Municipal
Native American
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Real Property
Securities
Social Security
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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
Diversity and Inclusion Section
Family Law Section
Real Estate, Land Use, and Environmental Law Section
Young Lawyers Section

COMMITTEES

- Bench/Bar
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Check no. _____ Initials: _____
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- TCBA does NOT have permission to share the information marked with an ** (You must mark here if you do NOT want to be listed on the TCBA website)
I would be willing to be listed on the TCBA website as being available for Pro Bono representation.
Mentor Program: I wish to be listed on the TCBA website as being available to serve as a mentor for new attorneys.
I would like to be added to (or remain on) TCBA's email list (to receive reminders of upcoming events, committee & section information and announcements)
I would like a link from the TCBA website to my own personal website (NO FEE for weblink)

Website address to link: _____
(address must be provided to receive free link)

PAYMENT INFORMATION

2021 Annual dues (January-December) \$50 _____
*Young Lawyer Annual dues \$25 _____
TOTAL ENCLOSED _____

*The membership fee for lawyers admitted to any state bar association 5 years or less or who are 36 years old or younger, whichever is later, is \$25.

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