

## ANDREW CLEMENT *PRO BONO* AWARD

*To honor an individual who has provided exceptional service to persons of limited means*

The Andrew Clement Pro Bono Award for 2020 is awarded to **George Derr**. The Lane County Circuit Court handles hundreds of foreclosure actions each year and many more domestic relations cases. Oftentimes a party is enlisted in the United States Armed Forces which brings the case under the Service Member Civil Relief Act. Not only does the case come to a halt until the court gets an attorney in place, but also these service members do not have easy access to our court system or adequate legal representation. Consequently, the court (as well as the other parties in a case) is placed in a difficult position to move these cases forward when an individual is deployed out of state or abroad. Fortunately, George has offered to be appointed to represent these enlisted individuals without compensation. George has volunteered countless hours for over 18 years to provide his *pro bono* clients with excellent representation. George has been quietly doing this without compensation for this entire time. George's representation of these service members is not limited to assisting his clients in navigating the procedural issues involved. George takes an active role and advises his clients of all possible claims that may be raised against other parties to the suit.



## JOSEPH M. KOSYDAR AWARD FOR PROFESSIONALISM

*Established in memory of Joseph Kosydar, a long-time Lane County Deputy District Attorney who passed away in 1997. The idea came for the award from the judges who valued Joe's professionalism and civility and who wanted to periodically recognize attorneys in the Bar who exemplify those qualities.*

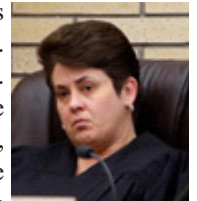


The Joseph M. Kosydar Award for Professionalism for 2020 is awarded to **Tina Stupasky**. Tina is a graduate of the UO where she completed both her undergraduate and her law degrees. She has worked as an attorney in the State of Oregon for over 30 years. In 2016-2017 she was the President of the Oregon Trial Lawyers Association and remains active on committees involving litigation. She works in the area of personal injury specializing in motor vehicle accidents, medical malpractice and nursing home negligence. Tina has a special ability to connect with people of all backgrounds and make them feel comfortable. She is both a professional and a persistent advocate. She has mentored numerous younger attorneys and donates her time freely to assisting others.

## DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

*To honor an individual who has provided extraordinary service to the legal profession and the people of Lane County*

The Distinguished Service Award for 2020 is awarded to **Honorable Judge Debra Vogt**. Judge Vogt has dedicated her career to service. Judge Vogt served as the Chief Criminal Judge of the court from 2009 to 2017. In January 2018, she became the court's Presiding Judge. She received statewide recognition in 2004 when she was presented the OSB President's Public Service Award while she was an assistant district attorney. Judge Vogt has served on the Oregon Commission on Judicial Fitness and Disability, a statewide agency that reviews and investigates complaints of alleged misconduct by Oregon state judges and justices of the peace. Judge Vogt also currently serves on the Oregon Public Safety Task Force and the Oregon Prison Forecast Committee. As a Presiding Judge she is intimately involved with policymaking at both the local and statewide levels.



In addition, Judge Vogt has faced unprecedented challenges in the last couple of months. She has handled the state of emergency by balancing the role of the courts to protect the rights of the people with prioritizing the health and safety of the community. Judge Vogt tackled the COVID-19 shut down with vigor to keep the court's doors open and keep staff who are frontline service providers so that Lane County saw as little change in provided services as was possible in light of the Chief Justice's orders. She embraced technology and marshaled us into 2020 with a keen eye on keeping the halls of justice open.

## COVID-19 Operations Plan

*A message from Lane Co. Circuit Court Presiding Judge:*

As a reminder, the Lane County Court COVID-19 Operations Plan is being updated regularly as proceedings are being added back in and/or changes are made to how proceedings are being managed. A link to the Operations Plan can be accessed on the homepage of the Lane County Circuit Court website, or at: [https://www.courts.oregon.gov/courts/lane/Documents/Lane\\_Covid19\\_Operations\\_Plan.pdf](https://www.courts.oregon.gov/courts/lane/Documents/Lane_Covid19_Operations_Plan.pdf).

Court staff are having to field many calls from practitioners with questions as to operations, many of which can be answered by referring to the Operations Plan.

## Updated CLE Information

### LANE COUNTY PROBATE & ESTATE PLANNING CLEs

The Lane County Bar Association Probate & Estate Committee CLE's are currently suspended. They will be rescheduled as it becomes feasible.



### LANE COUNTY FAMILY LAW SECTION ASSOCIATION OF FAMILY & CONCILIATION COURTS

The Lane County Bar Association Family Law Section and Association of Family and Conciliation Courts monthly meetings are canceled until further notice. Please contact **Mallory Woodman** at [mwoodman@longtinlaw.com](mailto:mwoodman@longtinlaw.com) to be added to the Family Law Section listserv to receive scheduling updates. We also plan to provide scheduling updates via the LCBA website and August 2020 LCBA Bar News.



## Chief Justice Martha Walters Award

Lane County Women Lawyers is accepting nominations for the **2020 Chief Justice Martha Walters Award** to be presented at a luncheon in Eugene on **Friday, December 11, 2020**. The Award recognizes a Lane County attorney who has demonstrated leadership in the pursuit of equal justice for all. Nominations may be made by visiting <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/K8BXHB2> and are open through **August 28, 2020**.



## Announcements



**Peggy J. Richard** has joined the law firm of **Hershner Hunter, LLP** as an associate. Peggy graduated from the University of Oregon School of Law in 2018 and the University of Texas at Dallas Department of Public Administration in 2009. Her practice will focus on Creditors' Rights and Bankruptcy.



## Announcements

**Harrang Long Gary Rudnick P.C.** is pleased to announce that **Graham Sweitzer** has joined the firm as a shareholder based in our Portland office. Graham is a trial lawyer whose practice focuses on the defense of complex civil litigation claims, with an emphasis in the areas of professional malpractice, product



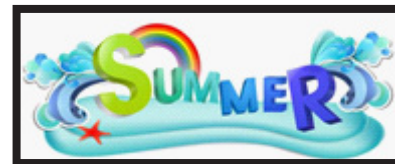
liability and personal injury. In an era when civil jury trials are increasingly rare, Graham has successfully tried more than 15 cases in state and federal courts and has briefed and argued a number of reported appellate cases.



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## Law Library News

### NEW CLES AVAILABLE FOR CHECKOUT AT COUNTY LAW LIBRARY

For those of you keeping track, the Lane County Law Library has been physically closed to the public, including attorneys, for 4½ months. It has certainly been an interesting time, as we take a hard look at our services and resources and consider ways in which to improve and enhance the work we do. We have also kept busy responding to legal reference questions from lawyers and non-lawyers alike via phone and email. **The library may be closed, but staff remain committed to helping patrons!**

Rumor had it that OSB's production (and, consequently, sales) of Continuing Legal Education (CLE)-related audio CDs were halted the past few months, due to the pandemic. However, when the Law Librarian recently reached out directly to **Karen Lee, OSB Director of CLE Seminars**, asking if we could negotiate something, she didn't hesitate for a second to figure out how she and her team could assist.

Long story short, we have just received **21 new (to us, anyway) OSB CLE titles**, including favorites such as:

- “27<sup>th</sup> Annual Litigation Institute & Retreat” (2/2020)
- “Intellectual Property Review--Updates and Changes from 2019” (2/2020)
- “Advanced Advising and Advocacy for Nonprofit Entities” (2/2020)
- “Basic Estate Planning for Oregon Taxable Estates” (11/2019)
- “Fundamentals of Oregon Civil Trial Procedure” (9/2019)
- “Mandatory Abuse Reporting for Oregon Lawyers” (9/2019)
- “Advanced Estate Planning 2019” (6/2019)
- “Current Advanced Topics in Real Estate and Land Use” (4/2019)
- “32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Northwest Bankruptcy Institute” (4/2019)

For other CLE titles in the library's collection, please visit the **Law Library's website to search LibraryWorld**, the library's catalog, ([www.lanecountyor.gov/lawlibrary](http://www.lanecountyor.gov/lawlibrary)) and choose “Online Library Catalog” from the left-hand navigation menu. Once in LibraryWorld, select “Location” from the drop-down options and enter “CLE” in the search field. This will bring up the complete list of good-for-MCLE-credit seminars that may be checked out. Note that all are **audio CD** format and circulate with the **corresponding printed matter**.



It will take some time to process and catalog the newly arrived CLEs; however, when finished, **attorneys are welcome to check them out**. A **maximum of three CLE titles** may be checked out at any one time; the **checkout period is 10 days**, with the option to renew one time. Currently, we are implementing a **‘curbside’ pickup service**, whereby lawyers can arrange to pick up checked-out materials right outside the doors of the Law Library. Please contact library staff to make requests and inquire further.

As the Law Library continues to reassess its collection and services, we encourage lawyers to **let us know what materials and resources they have missed having access to**. We are aspiring to **eventually implement in-person, limited-duration visits by appointment only** as part of our phased reopening plan; receiving direct feedback from practitioners will help us determine best guidelines for doing so – many thanks in advance for reaching out!

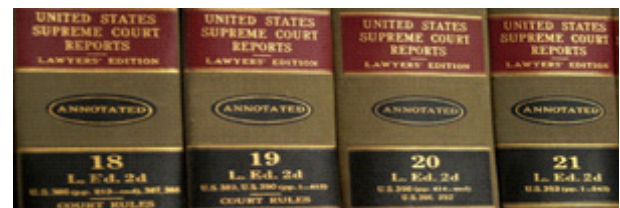
Law Library contact information (NEW CELL PHONE!)

Main phone: (541) 682-4337

Cell phone: (453) 234-3423

Email: [lclawlib@lanecountyor.gov](mailto:lclawlib@lanecountyor.gov)

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## Upcoming Events

Check the LCBA or Lane County Circuit Court websites for further developments during this time of COVID-19

July 3	Holiday - Court Closed
August 28	Deadline to submit nominations for the Chief Justice Martha Walters Award



## Bar News Submission Deadline

Please help us get the Bar News to you in a timely manner. While all submissions are welcomed, remember the **deadline is the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month**. We try to accommodate the inclusion of all submissions, but cannot guarantee that any submissions received after this deadline will be included in the next issue. Submissions that do not make one issue of the newsletter will, of course, be included in the subsequent issue. We try to release the newsletter as close to the first of the month as possible; however, sometimes things happen to prevent that. Please keep that in mind when submitting information for an event that takes place during the first week of the month. The preparation of this newsletter is a labor of love, but it does take some time and effort. Your support of this process is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Don't Miss the  
**DEADLINE!**

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Parent's Day is celebrated on the fourth Sunday of July.

It is a day that commemorates parenthood and appreciates all parents - mothers, fathers, grandmothers and grandfathers, great-grandmothers and great-grandfathers, stepmothers and stepfathers and foster mothers and fathers.

### Bar News

Next Submission Deadline: **Monday July 20, 2020**

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