

LCBA Luncheon

Please join the LCBA for our annual Supreme Court Luncheon on **Thursday, March 11, 2021 from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.** Unfortunately, all other information regarding this event was not provided to the Bar News in time for publication. Please check the LCBA website for further updates.



At present, monthly meetings will be held via video conferencing, with the intent to resume in-person luncheons and events when the circumstances safely permit us to do so. Advance online registration via the LCBA's website will still be required.

LCWL CLE

LANE COUNTY WOMEN LAWYERS PRESENTS:

ONE YEAR LATER...

SUSTAINING SELF-CARE IN QUARANTINE

After a year of social distancing, are you struggling to “make the most of it”? Join **LCWL on March 12, 2021, from 12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m.** for a virtual presentation by local attorney, life coach and author, **Meredith Holley**, addressing key strategies for effective self-care during continuing COVID-19 restrictions. The program includes interactive break-out sessions with discussion leaders. **Register at: tinyurl.com/2j5pc8gr by March 10.**



Credit for a 1 hour mental health CLE is pending. The CLE is free for OWLS members and law students, but LCWL is suggesting a \$15 contribution. **Contributors will receive a LCWL's limited-edition, logo face mask.**

Additionally, LCWL is beginning to gather book ideas for a spring book club. We are looking for books that speak to the OWLS/LCWL mission to transform the practice of law and ensure justice and equality by advancing women and minorities in the legal profession. Please email us your recommendations to lanecounty-womenlawyers@gmail.com, and then we'll send out a poll to select our first book!



COVID-19 Operations Plan

A message from Lane Co. Circuit Court Presiding Judge:

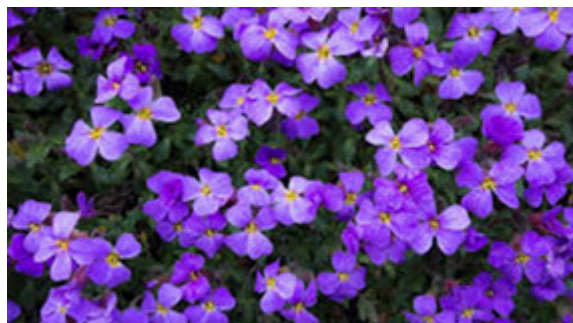
As a reminder, the Lane County Court COVID-19 Operations Plan is being updated regularly as proceedings are being added back in and/or changes are made to how proceedings are being managed. A link to the Operations Plan can be accessed on the homepage of the Lane County Circuit Court website, or at: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

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.



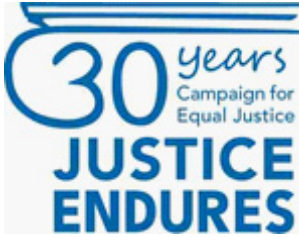
NALS Educational Meeting

NALS of Lane County will hold its next monthly educational meeting on **Tuesday, March 16, 2021, from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.** by Zoom. **Joseph Silence** of Evergreen Land Title will be our guest speaker he will present *Title and Escrow*. Please send your RSVP to **Darla Sanders**, Director of Education, via email at dsanders@oregonlawcenter.org. The class is free and worth one (1) CLE credit for those who are accumulating credits or need proof of attendance. When you RSVP, please let me know if you'll need a certificate.



Justice Cup Returns

MAKING IT RAIN IN LANE COUNTY



Congratulations everyone! After seven years, we have brought the *Justice Cup* back from Jackson County, to its rightful resting place at the Lane County Courthouse. As many of you probably know, the Justice Cup is awarded to the region with the highest percentage

of lawyers contributing to the Campaign for Equal Justice. Though the need to support legal services for underserved residents is always present, this year was particularly critical given the health and natural disasters we have faced. Thanks to everyone for coming together and making an extraordinary effort to support Legal Aid this year.

Please feel free to haze any of your colleagues from Jackson County (though they also did pretty well this year). Lane County was recognized state-wide for all of your work and contributions this year on February 26th at the **CEJ 30th Anniversary Gala** (<https://cej-oregon.org/cejgala30>). There should be other opportunities for virtual gloating with our Justice Cup victory, so stay tuned.

Thank you and well done Lane County!

Ross and Todd

Announcements



Luvaas Cobb is pleased to announce that **Laura E. Coffin** became a shareholder with the firm on January 1, 2021. Laura's practice will focus primarily on appellate practice, litigation, and state and federal criminal defense. Her extensive trial experience, attention to detail and critical-reasoning skills are key to her successful practice. You may reach Laura at lcoffin@luvaascobb.com.

Congratulations!

Luvaas Cobb is pleased to announce **Andrew MJ Pinchin** became a shareholder with the firm on January 1, 2021. A 2013 graduate of the UO School of Law, Andy joined Luvaas Cobb in 2014 and has successfully built a busy practice in the areas of trust and estate planning and litigation, elder law, real estate, and business/corporation work. You may reach Andy at apinchin@luvaascobb.com.



A2J Committee Virtual CLE

BANKRUPTCY AND RACE: A CONVERSATION WITH PROFESSOR A. MECHELE DICKERSON

Friday, March 5, 2021
Noon – 1:00 pm (Zoom)

The University of Oregon School of Law Business Law Program welcomes [Professor A. Mechele Dickerson](#), the Arthur L. Moller Chair in Bankruptcy Law and Practice at the University of Texas at Austin. Join us for a noon-hour discussion about racial inequities in the bankruptcy system, including how Black debtors are often disproportionately placed in Chapter 13 bankruptcy.

A. Mechele Dickerson, a nationally recognized scholar on consumer debt, teaches at the University of Texas School of Law and also has a courtesy appointment with the Liberal Arts Honors program at the University of Texas. She is the author of *Homeownership and America's Financial Underclass: Flawed Premises, Broken Promises, New Prescriptions* (Cambridge 2014). Her research focuses on racial income and wealth disparities and she is currently completing a book project on the Neglected Middle Class.

Dickerson teaches Remedies and Federal Civil Procedure at UT Law and is teaching a course this spring on COVID and Financially Vulnerable Americans. Before joining the Texas law faculty, Dickerson was a law faculty member at the College of William and Mary.

University of Oregon School of Law [Professor Andrea Coles-Bjerre](#), faculty director of the UO Business Law Program, will moderate this insightful and informative conversation. Professor Coles-Bjerre writes and teaches in the fields of Bankruptcy and Civil Procedure. She teaches the Bankruptcy and Business Bankruptcy courses at Oregon Law and supervises Bankruptcy externships.

Registration is required for this free, online event:
https://oregon.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_eR0RZx3Bim4e0gm

Application will be made for 1 Access to Justice MCLE credit.



LCBA Bar Fellows Program

The Lane County Bar Association in concert with the LCBA Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Committee is excited to announce the *LCBA Bar Fellows Program*. The LCBA Bar Fellows Program is a highly selective program designed to address the key goal of diversifying the Oregon bar by recruiting and supporting diverse law students who have a strong commitment to practice law in Oregon. The program provides a first-summer paid internship, substantial scholarships throughout their time at Oregon Law, multiple networking opportunities, judicial mentorship, and other resources designed to support the Bar Fellows' success in law school and in their Oregon legal careers. As part of this effort, the LCBA Bar Fellows Program will collaborate with the Multnomah Bar Association Fellows Program.

We would like to thank the first two firms for committing to the program (**Hutchinson Cox** and **Hershner Hunter**) by providing a paid internship for a 1L Bar Fellow for the summer following their first year of law school. The first summer internships will start the summer of 2022 for law students starting school in the fall of 2021.

Are you or your organization (private firms, public interest entities, federal/state/local government) interested in the Program? There are many ways to participate. Please contact the chair of the DEI Committee, **Felipe Alonso III** at faalonso@uoregon.edu or 541-346-3809. Let's have a conversation.

Office Space Available

Two offices with west views available in friendly, professional COVID-safe environment in downtown Eugene (142 W. 8th Ave.); ample parking, short walk to all municipal, state & federal courthouses, jail, city/county offices, & downtown businesses, amenities. Each office includes full reception services (subject to COVID limitations and restrictions), use of three conference rooms, kitchen-break room, and two work rooms equipped with photocopiers, fax, postage meter, shredder, related equipment, and twice weekly janitorial service. Optional high-speed internet and monthly parking passes available. Rents are \$750 and \$775, with optional assistant work station at \$175. For more information or viewing, please contact **Alan Seligson** at (541) 338-8500, aseligson@scslaw.org or text (541) 521-6009.

Legal Secretary Position

Legal secretary position open. Prefer applicant with family law and litigation experience. Prefer applicant with Word Perfect and Word skills. Good salary and benefits. Contact either **Marc D. Perrin** or **Gail Johnson** at: 541-345-0003. If you wish to submit a resume feel free to do so at: mdp@mcdisso.com



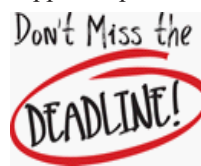
Legal Assistant Position

Lohrke Law is hiring a full-time, experienced paralegal or legal assistant with significant experience. We are located in Springfield and offer a competitive pay package. Contact **Jesse Lohrke** at 541-357-6788 or Jesse@lohrkelaw.com



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 20th 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.



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MEDIATION SERVICES

Retired senior judge **Jack Billings** is available for mediation and arbitration services. Judge Billings has settled literally hundreds of domestic relations, tort, real estate, construction defect, contract and other disputes during his more than 45 years of bar service. He can generally arrange a mediation within a few weeks. For information on fees and availability contact him at: srjudgejab@yahoo.com, 541-510-6239.



MEDIATION SERVICES


Attorney Patrick Melendy is now providing Family Law mediation services. Patrick has practiced Family Law for nearly twenty-four years and is excited to bring his years of experience to helping people resolve their disputes. For questions regarding availability and fees please contact either **Patrick** at psm@emeraldllaw.com or **Erin Dieter** at ead@emeraldllaw.com and at (541) 746-9621.




Law for the People is a new nonprofit legal services organization offering assistance to low-income clients with family law cases in Lane County. Rather than providing traditional comprehensive legal services, our focus is on empowering our clients by helping them represent themselves. Our goal is to keep legal costs to a minimum by charging a low hourly rate without the necessity of a retainer and relying upon our clients to perform their own legwork. For more information, contact **Michael L. Quillin** at (541)632-6453 or mlquillin@lawforthepeople.org, or visit our website at <https://www.lawforthepeople.org>.

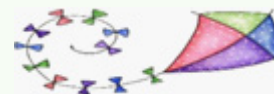
Upcoming Events

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

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March 5 U of O Business Law Program
Bankruptcy and Race
A. Mechele Dickerson
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Zoom
- March 11 LCBA and UO Law School
Supreme Court Luncheon
Virtual Event
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.
- March 12 LCWL
*One Year Later...Sustaining Self-Care
in Quarantine*
Meredith Holley
Virtual Event
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.
- March 14 Daylight Saving Time begins
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March 16 NALS Educational Meeting
Title and Escrow
Joseph Silence
Zoom
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.



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Spring forward

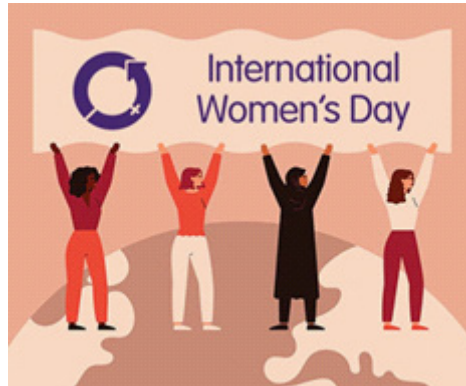
Don't forget to set
clocks ahead
one hour
at 2 a.m.
Sunday.



Daylight Saving Time
March 14

Freelance Legal Secretaries/Assistants:

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International Women's Day
March 8



St. Patrick's Day
March 17



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