

President's Message

Dear LCBA members,

1. This is my final missive as LCBA President due to my term ending June 30. I wanted to thank all of you for the opportunity to serve in this role and for everyone's continued support of and involvement with the LCBA. Thanks to everyone's efforts, the LCBA is thriving. We have increased membership, increased engagement and community, improved our financial circumstances and launched a new and improved LCBA website! It was an honor being the President and I look forward to watching the LCBA continue to flourish.
2. To join or continue to be a member of the LCBA community, you can now register or renew your LCBA membership for the 2026-2027 year on our new [website](https://www.lanecountybar.org/membership-drive) (<https://www.lanecountybar.org/membership-drive>). Current memberships expire **June 30**. If you register on or before June 30, you can use the discount code "earlybird" and receive a \$10 discount. Regular memberships are \$75 per year (\$65 with the discount).
3. The June lunch will be held on **June 11 at 12pm at The Graduate**. A panel, including Constitutional Law professor **Garrett Epps**, will present about the First Amendment framework in protest contexts. The LCBA will apply for 1 General CLE credit.
4. The July lunch will be held on **July 9 at 12pm at the Graduate**. The **Honorable Michael McShane** will be presenting an update on the Federal Courts. The LCBA will apply for 1 General CLE credit.
5. The August lunch will be held on **August 13 at 12pm at The Graduate**. **Rachel Edwards** from the PLF will be presenting about Generative AI and Ethics. The LCBA will apply for 1 Ethics CLE credit.
6. In order for The Graduate to be able to prepare an appropriate menu with adequate servings, we need folks who intend to attend a CLE to register no later than 5 days in advance.
7. The LCBA will be hosting lunch CLEs on the second Thursday of each month (except April) for the foreseeable future. CLE topics will be announced as presenters are confirmed.

Announcements

LANE COUNTY WOMEN LAWYERS 8th Annual Chief Justice Martha Walters Award Luncheon

SAVE-THE-DATE! Lane County Women Lawyers will be celebrating 50 years (1976-2026) at the **8th Annual Chief Justice Martha Walters Award luncheon** on **Friday, November 13, 2026**, at **The Downtown Athletic Club** in Eugene. The Award recognizes Lane County attorneys who have demonstrated leadership in the pursuit of equal justice for all. In recognition of this historic event, the 2026 CJMWA will be presented to the Founding Members of LCWL including former Oregon Attorney General, **Hon. Ellen Rosenblum**. The 8th Annual event is being underwritten at the Lady Justice level by **Hutchinson Cox**. If you have any questions about this year's program or are interested in supporting this momentous occasion through underwriting, please contact Lane County Women Lawyers at lanecountywomenlawyers@gmail.com.

OJD ACCESS AND FAIRNESS SURVEY CAMPAIGN

The OJD is deploying its biennial Access and Fairness Survey Campaign between **May 1 and June 30, 2026**. The **Access and Fairness Survey**, the primary customer survey, was recommended by the **Oregon Supreme Court Council** on Inclusion and Fairness as a key performance measure for OJD. It gives us direct feedback from court users about their experience with Oregon's state courts. Please help get the word out to your communities, clients, and collaborators about the survey. The survey can be taken online [here](#). For more information, please see pages 7-9.

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Position Openings

OREGON LAW CENTER DIRECTOR OF LITIGATION - STATEWIDE

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For more information, please see the full job announcement on page 10, or visit [OLC employment opportunities](#).



UMPQUA VALLEY PUBLIC DEFENDER

Umpqua Valley Public Defender is seeking an experienced Criminal Defense Attorney.

This position provides court-appointed criminal defense services in Douglas County, Oregon.

The attorney will review charging instruments and police reports and other discovery provided by the State, will meet with clients and learn their client's goals for the representation, and any special needs of the client, determine what further investigation to undertake, and direct that investigation. The attorney determines what legal issues need development, researches those issues, and presents them in the appropriate forum.

The attorney in this role will also negotiate with the State and promptly advise the client of the status of the negotiations, and litigate any legal issues that are necessary and appropriate, including bringing cases to trial. The attorney shall conduct any post-trial litigation necessary such as sentencing and post-trial motions (excluding appeals).

Oregon public defense attorneys will conduct their law practice according to all applicable statutes, practice standards, and the Oregon Rules of Professional Conduct. They receive general supervision from the unit Attorney Chief.

Applications are now open. Interested parties may apply by sending a resume and cover letter to operations@uvpd.org. Inquiries to this email address are also welcome.

Upcoming Events & CLE

NALS @ NOON EVENT CALENDAR

Amylyn Riedling will be presenting at NALS@Noon on June 16, 2026, from 12:00–1:00 p.m.

Topic: *Ethics – Confidentiality and Unauthorized Practice of Law*

Please RSVP to:

mbuentiempo2023@gmail.com.

2026 ESTATE SECTION CLE CALENDAR

Lane County Circuit Court
Courtroom 306
Noon -1 p.m.

September	14	Holli Houston: <i>Ethics in Estate/Trust Administration</i>
October	12	Brian Thompson: <i>Ethical Issues and Advance Directives</i>
November	9	Susan Ezzy Jordan: <i>Representing Clients with Diminished Capacity</i>
December	14	TBD

Estate Section CLEs are free and all are welcome to attend. This calendar is also subject to change so please watch for updates.

LCBA DEI COMMITTEE 5th Annual Affinity Bar Event

Thursday, June 4, 2026, 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.,
[Gratitude Brewery](#), 540 E. 8th Ave., Eugene, OR 97401

We will gather with local and state Affinity Bar members and allies to make connections, eat light snacks, and enjoy the start of summer. At 6:00 pm join Gratitude's trivia competition. Bring a team or we will find you a team. Friends and family, including children, are welcome! [RSVPing](#) is encouraged.

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Announcements from the Oregon State Bar

[Board of Governors Vacancy - Region 6](#)

If your primary office is in Benton, Linn, Marion, or Polk counties and you are interested in being appointed to the OSB Board of Governors, click [here](#) for details. The application deadline is **June 15**.

[OSB Awards](#)

The nomination deadline for this year's OSB awards is **Wednesday, June 3, at 5:00 p.m.** Nomination forms, details and event sponsorship opportunities are available [here](#).

[Proposed Changes to RPC8.3 for Lawyers and LPS](#)

The Oregon Supreme Court requests public comment on proposed amendments to the Rules of Professional Conduct that address Oregon State Bar licensees' obligation to report potential ethical misconduct by another licensee. Both changes reflect a newly created ombudsman's office within the Oregon Judicial Department. Please share your feedback by **June 16** by emailing supremecourtinbox@ojd.state.or.us. See the proposed amendments [here](#) and a memo from the court [here](#).

[OSB Access to Justice Gap Analysis Report](#)

The OSB has completed an Access to Justice Gap Analysis Report examining Oregon's civil legal system. The report draws on a robust statewide survey, focus groups, and interview with system partners. It identifies key barriers to access to justice and concrete, actionable steps that the OSB can take, in coordination with system partners, to build a better civil legal system for people in Oregon. Access the report [here](#).



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Upcoming Events

June 3	Nomination Deadline for OSB Awards
June 4	LCBA DEI Committee 5th Annual Affinity Bar Event
June 11	LCBA Lunch: Professor Garrett Epps (First Amendment in protests contexts)
June 15	OSB Board of Governors interest submission deadline (offices in Linn, Benton, Marion & Polk counties only)
June 16	Deadline to comment on proposed changes to RPC8.3
June 16	Nals @ Noon Amylyn Riedling presents
June 19	Juneteenth
June 21	Father's Day
June 21	Summer Solstice
June 30	LCBA memberships expire: last day to renew membership using "earlybird" discount code
June 30	Deadline to participate in Access & Fairness survey
July 9	LCBA Lunch: Hon. Michael McShane (Federal Courts Update)
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Lane County Bar Association

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Bar News

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OREGON SUPREME COURT

April 13, 2026

Dear Members of the Oregon Legal Community:

The Oregon Judicial Department's (OJD) mission is to provide fair and accessible justice services. To achieve our mission and to guide our work, we created the [Justice Campaign](#), which has four core commitments: improving services and access for all, especially marginalized and vulnerable community members; improving the court user experience by eliminating barriers; increasing the public's trust and confidence; and providing a welcoming and inclusive workplace and courthouse.

Gathering feedback from those we serve is vital for maintaining accountability and seeing how well we are meeting our commitments. Every two years, OJD conducts a state-wide customer service survey—called the Access and Fairness Survey—to hear directly from court users and justice partners (including attorneys, probation officers, advocates, etc.) about their experience with the courts.

From May 1 to June 30, 2026, OJD will once again launch a campaign to promote the survey across all 36 circuit courts and the Tax Court. Although the survey is open year-round, OJD will be actively seeking responses from court users and justice partners during the two-month period. The survey is anonymous and available at www.courts.oregon.gov/survey in English, Spanish, Vietnamese, Russian, and traditional Chinese. Some courts will also offer paper copies and post information onsite.

We last administered the survey in 2024 and received more than two thousand responses, thanks to the support of the legal community, agency partners, and many other stakeholders. Findings from previous surveys have helped shape several significant initiatives, including OJD's ongoing efforts to expand access to user-friendly court forms, improving our website, and increasing court security.

With your help, we hope to hear from even more people this year. Please take a moment to complete the survey and encourage your colleagues and clients to do so as well.

Members of the Oregon Legal Community

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I want to thank you in advance for your assistance and for your partnership in supporting our efforts to meet our Justice Campaign commitments. If you have questions about the survey, you can contact the Office of Education, Engagement, and Inclusion at SCA.ESD.OEEI@ojd.state.or.us. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Meagan A. Flynn". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "M".

Meagan A. Flynn
Chief Justice

Oregon Judicial Department



Access and Fairness Survey

Your Opinion Matters!

Please complete this survey about your court experience. We do not ask for your name or any personal details. Your feedback will help us improve the court experience and ensure access to justice for all.
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¡Su opinión es importante!

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Job Announcement

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OLC is an equal opportunity employer committed to creating an inclusive work environment.

For more information and instructions on how to apply, please visit <https://oregonlawcenter.org/about-olc/employment-opportunities/> .