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# SCBA CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## May 2007

4<sup>th</sup> Donut Friday!!!  
 11<sup>th</sup> Meet the GAL CLE  
 14<sup>th</sup> Young Lawyers Section Meeting  
 15<sup>th</sup> Deadline SCBA Newsletter  
 17<sup>th</sup> Guardianship Section Meeting  
 17<sup>th</sup> SCBA Board of Trustees Meeting  
 21<sup>st</sup> Family Law Section Meeting

## June 2007

1<sup>st</sup> Donut Friday!!!  
 11<sup>th</sup> Young Lawyers Section Meeting  
 15<sup>th</sup> Deadline SCBA Newsletter  
 18<sup>th</sup> Family Law Section Meeting  
 21<sup>st</sup> SCBA Board of Trustees Meeting  
 29<sup>th</sup> Aquasox Baseball Night Out

## July 2007

6<sup>th</sup> Donut Friday!!!  
 9<sup>th</sup> Young Lawyers Section Meeting  
 15<sup>th</sup> No SCBA Newsletter deadline  
 16<sup>th</sup> Family Law Section Meeting  
 19<sup>th</sup> SCBA Board of Trustees Meeting  
 19<sup>th</sup> Guardianship Section Meeting

## August 2007

3<sup>rd</sup> Donut Friday !!!  
 13<sup>th</sup> Young Lawyers Section Meeting  
 15<sup>th</sup> Deadline SCBA Newsletter  
 15<sup>th</sup> NO SCBA Board of Trustees Meeting  
 26<sup>th</sup> Family Law Section Meeting

## September 2007

7<sup>th</sup> Donut Friday !!!  
 10<sup>th</sup> Young Lawyers Section Meeting  
 15<sup>th</sup> Deadline SCBA Newsletter  
 17<sup>th</sup> Family Law Section Meeting  
 20<sup>th</sup> SCBA Board of Trustees Meeting  
 20<sup>th</sup> Guardianship Section Meeting

## October 2007

5<sup>th</sup> Donut Friday!!!  
 8<sup>th</sup> Young Lawyers Section Meeting  
 15<sup>th</sup> Deadline SCBA Newsletter  
 15<sup>th</sup> Family Law Section Meeting  
 18<sup>th</sup> SCBA Board of Trustees Meeting  
 18<sup>th</sup> Guardianship Section Meeting

# SUPERIOR COURT ASSIGNMENTS

**Presiding Judge:** ..... Judge Thomas J. Wynne, Dept. 7

**Trial Calendar Call and Motions to Continue Trial**

**Juvenile Court:** ..... Judge Ellen J. Fair and Judge Eric Z. Lucas  
 ..... Commissioner Jacalyn D. Brudvik<sup>1</sup>

**Civil Motions:** ..... Judge Linda C. Krese: April 30 – May 4  
 ..... Judge James H. Allendoerfer: May 7 – May 18  
 ..... Judge Michael T. Downes: May 21 – June 1

**Criminal Hearings:** ..... Judge David A. Kurtz: April 30 – May 4  
 ..... Judge Ronald L. Castleberry: May 7 – May 18  
 ..... Judge Gerald L. Knight: May 21 – June 1

**Rotating Sentencings:** ..... Judge James H. Allendoerfer: April 30 – May 4  
 ..... Judge Larry E. McKeeman: May 7 - May 18  
 ..... Judge Linda C. Krese: May 21 - June 1

**Criminal Dept. Judges<sup>2</sup>:** ..... Judges Knight, Thorpe, Castleberry, Farris, Downes, and Kurtz  
 ..... (Judges Wynne and Bowden 4/30 – 5/04 only)  
 ..... (Judge Cowsert starting 5/07)

**Civil Dept. Judges:** ..... Judges Allendoerfer, McKeeman, Wynne, Krese, and Cowsert  
 ..... (Judge Cowsert 4/30 – 5/04 only)  
 ..... (Judges Wynne and Bowden starting 5/07)

**Juvenile Court Judges:** ..... Judges Fair and Lucas

**Ex Parté/Commissioner Civil Motions:** ..... Commissioner Weiss

**Family Law Calendars:** ..... Commissioners Bedle, Stewart, and Waggoner

**Please note:** All assignments are subject to change without notice and assignments may not change on the first day of the month.

(Footnotes) 1 Court Commissioner assignments are for six months' duration and change in early January and July  
 2 At the discretion of the Presiding Judge, criminal cases may be assigned to Civil Department Judges and civil cases may be assigned to Criminal Department Judges.



**FROM THE DESK OF  
THE PRESIDENT,  
JENNIFER GOGERT**

After serving SCBA as a trustee for several terms, Geoff Gibbs, has resigned so that he may join the WSBA Board of Governors. Though I am sad to see Geoff leaving our board, I am confident that he will continue to give of his time and energy - and keep us all in the loop about the goings on at WSBA.

Geoff has been a committed trustee, serving both as a member of the board, an officer, and as our liaison with WSBA.

On behalf of the board, I would like to thank Geoff for his years of service and wish him very well in his new position with the WSBA Board of Governors.

Geoff's departure from our Board leaves his trustee position open. I encourage interested members to apply for appointment for this position. The term ends January 2009.

Should you have any questions about this position or wish to be considered, please send me an email at [jgogert@denomillikan.com](mailto:jgogert@denomillikan.com) or give me a call at 425.259.2222.

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**THE LAWYER'S ROAD  
REVIEW  
BY PETE PATTERSON**

**Whitman College Cycles Come to Town**

“Sure!” I said when my daughter mentioned she and the rest of the Whitman cycling team would need a home to stay in when racing here in Western Washington this March. It is a long way from Walla Walla in the official Whitman van, parents old Volvos and cast off SUV’s, each with bike racks of some kind. Of course I would make a place for them. I opened my door to them at 7 PM on a Friday night here in North Everett. I had opened a door a Cold War parent might have left closed and continued to live in blissful ignorance. But it was too late.

I was prepared for the 33 cyclists, their mechanical and epicurean needs, and my floor space was cleared for sleeping. My parents had their doors open as well, which is a good thing because they have more bathrooms than I. What I was not prepared for was the shock of their conduct. They were *wholesome and polite*.

My recollection of college road trips involved a whole lot of alcohol and waking up hungover in a strange place, watching one of my peers pulling up his pants while stuffing the first cigarette of the day into his mouth. We were accordingly rowdy and took pride in outrageous behavior.

Cold War Kids drank a lot. Some used drugs. My college fraternity levied a \$10 a month surcharge on the house bill to ensure there was always a keg tapped, 24/7. We had a coke machine that we filled with beer which worked as a fund raiser. No matter what time of day or night one could always find a brother drinking. In a very real way my fraternity resembled the cast and set of National Lampoon’s *Animal House*.

Was it the threat of the end of the world that caused us to constantly sustain a level of intoxication? We really didn’t have to worry too

much about our health or our future careers. We learned from the Kennedy Administration we were just a few mistakes away from nuclear exchange which would lay waste to the careful plans of any individual. Or perhaps our conduct was learned behavior from the prior two generations whose celebration began on VJ day and never really stopped? The next question brings the party animal up short: Has the most recent generation become healthier because they don’t want to end up like us?

My recent 30 year high school reunion featured a lot of Coca Cola for those who found they could not drink as much as they used to. This turned out to not be a problem. The Cold War Kids left plenty of soft drinks behind with me, but I bought more to be truly prepared.

The Whitman kids wouldn’t drink Coke, NO WAY. Apparently they find nothing “soft” about soft drinks. This crowd is all soy this, and organic that. Water was big, and tofu ruled my prized Le Cueset cookware, for which I have to confess

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displaying a protective obsession over that weekend. "This pan does not do well on the highest setting", I instructed more than once, reaching for the dial on the stove.

Regardless of novice kitchen skills I was thrilled to be with them. 20 years old generally, some had turned pro already. Mara Abbott is on the Whitman team. I unloaded her \$8000 bike from the truck and noted the sponsor had inscribed her name on the top tube. Mara won the women's national championship last year. The Whitman women's cycling team won the team championship and the men were not far behind. It was like being back stage at a Stones concert, except for the righteous healthy lifestyle. I was in the presence of greatness.

At the start line of the men's road race one of my guests turned to me and said "we are going to be crushed" then clipped into his pedals and was off. In this racing weekend Western Washington University dominated, Whitman was second but first man across the line at the road race Saturday was from the University of Washington, my alma mater where all that beer was drunk in the 70's. This fellow still had gas in the tank as he finished his full tilt 72 mile race, pumping his fists in the air as he came across the line which was at the top of a hill. Can you imagine? No beer and cigarettes at the U of W either these days I guess. Nor at the other schools present; Oregon, Oregon State, Portland State, WSU, Central Washington U, Idaho and Montana State.

On some level I envied them. On others I don't. None of them had tried their first case. They have yet to throw up after a divorce trial, only after a time trial. They deal with the fight or flight reaction of stress by flight. We fight. Then we drink.

There is that sense of misspent youth, worshipping Budweiser rather than Bottranger wheels. Whatever you do, no matter what we try, we can't be twenty again. Damn. No do overs. On the other hand the Cold War is over and we can start taking better care of ourselves. Perhaps we will earn the respect of the generation we created, if never a place in their paceline. ☺



**Attention Snohomish County Young Lawyers:**  
We will be having our next monthly meeting at the Flying Pig in Downtown Everett on Monday, May 14, 2007 at 5:30 p.m. All members are invited to attend.

Any active member in the *Snohomish County Bar Association* is a young lawyer until the person is 36 years of age or until the fifth year in which any member has been admitted to practice, whichever is later. If you are interested in becoming involved with the SCYLD, please attend our next meeting (second Monday of every month at the Flying Pig - 5:30 p.m.) or email Kari Petrusek at [kpetrasek@bellingram.com](mailto:kpetrasek@bellingram.com). We look forward to seeing everyone on May 14, 2007 at 5:30 p.m. ☺

An advertisement for Law Day on May 1, 2007. The top text reads "LAW DAY ~ May 1, 2007". Below this, it says "If you would like to participate in Law Day please contact: Elizabeth Cullen at (425)388-3032 or Joyce Wood at (425)388-3056". The main headline is "Liberty Under Law: Empowering Youth, Assuring Democracy". The graphic features a stylized profile of a person's face on the right, looking towards the left. In the background, there are several scales of justice. At the bottom, the ABA logo is visible, along with the text "LAW DAY: MAY 1, 2007".

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March 1, 2006

**Re: Participation on the Snohomish County GAAP Panel**

Dear Fellow Colleague:


On behalf of the Washington State Bar Association's Board of Governors and Access to Justice Board, we would like request your participation in the Snohomish County Greater Access and Assistance Project (GAAP).

Under the GAAP model, attorneys agree to represent eligible, low-income clients on a discounted fee basis. After clients are screened, they are referred to attorneys on the GAAP panel based on the attorney's geographic area and identified areas of practice. After that, other than the reduced rate, representation of a GAAP client is the same as representation of any other non-GAAP client. We are asking that attorneys who agree to represent clients through the GAAP program charge their clients \$50.00 per hour, as established by the WSBA GAAP panel.

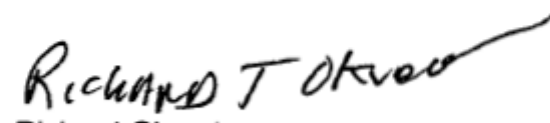
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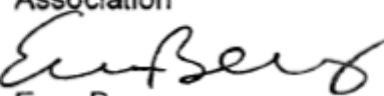
If you are interested in participating in GAAP, or have any questions, please contact Kari Petrasek at (425) 258-6261 or Joyce Wood at (425) 388-3056. Thank you for your interest in GAAP. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

  
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## ANOTHER ONE BAILS ON US!

Snohomish County's Director of Arbitration, **Carol Anderson**, is joining her comrade, Barb Moore, in the life of leisure. Carol is retiring from her position with Snohomish County Superior Court, effective May 31, 2007. Originally, her plan was to retire July 31, 2007, but with summer approaching, Carol figured "why wait?!"

Carol started with the Clerk's Office in 1978. She served as a Courtroom Clerk. When Judge Stuart French joined the bench in 1979, he hired Carol as his bailiff. As many of you may remember, the elder Judge French presided in Dept. 3. He shared chambers with Judge John F. Wilson. That combination kept Carol entertained when not pursuing her courtroom duties stone-faced. "We had some good times," remembered Carol fondly.

One of the most memorable events was having a panel full of jurors to her home for Thanksgiving dinner. The case was State v. Charles Campbell, and the jurors were "imported" from Spokane. "They couldn't go home for Thanksgiving," Carol explained. Her husband, Bob, was the one to suggest the plan. Carol went along, thinking that Judge Dennis Britt wouldn't agree. Fortunately for Carol, her neighbors were away for the holiday and consented to the use of their kitchen facilities (in addition to Carol's kitchen). Bob and Carol provided the entire meal by themselves!

Judge S. French announced he was going to retire in 1991, so Carol made the move to Court Administration and arbitration.



(Judge S. French didn't actually retire, however, until 1993.)

Carol said that she has enjoyed working with all the lawyers in the County and counts them among her friends. She will miss the "family feeling" that our local bar association cultivates. Her focus will now shift back to her family, which includes her husband, three Havanese show dogs, Fonzie (retired), Raven and Rylee, not to mention her two children and two grandchildren.

Please join us in celebrating Carol's contribution and dedication to Superior Court. Refreshments will be served and more memories made, in the Jury Assembly Room on Thursday, May 31, 2007 from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. ☞

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