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Volunteer Judges Still Needed for Mock Trial Competition

The **Honorable Debra K. Vogt** is coordinating the <u>Civics</u> Learning Project's High School Mock Trial Regional <u>Competition</u>.

The <u>Southern Willamette Valley Regional Competition</u> will be held at the Lane County Circuit Court on **Saturday, February** 22, 2025, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The competition is looking for volunteers for both Presiding and Scoring Judges for three rounds. Volunteers may judge any or all the rounds.

Presiding Judges must have a legal background, as they will be ruling on trial objections and matters of the court.

Scoring Judges will be scoring the students' performances and may be filled by anyone (a legal background helpful, but not necessary).





To Volunteer, please:

(1) Contact Judge Vogt's clerk, **Courtney Burns**, at <u>Courtney.a.burns@ojd.state.or.us</u>, OR

(2) Complete the Volunteer Judge Application online at <u>the Civics Learning Project Mock Trial</u> Judge event page.

You will need to create an account to register.

The estimated times of the three rounds can be found on the CLP Eugene Event Registration page linked above.

If you have any questions, please contact <u>Courtney</u> <u>Burns</u>.

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LCBA Bar News

Announcements

The Law Firm of GLEAVES SWEARINGEN LLP is pleased to announce that Chelle B. Haynes has been named a partner in the firm. Chelle is a member of our litigation team and also works with our intellectural property team. Gleaves Swearingen is a Eugene law firm, serving Oregon and the Northwest since 1924.





30th Annual OLSPIF Gala February 7, 2025 5 p.m., UO EMU Ballroom

Beyond the Emerald Gates Empowering Hearts, Minds, and Courageous Voices in Public Service

Dinner, Auction, Friends & New Twists Post-event After Party at the Starlight Lounge Online Silent Auction, February 6-13th

> See <u>Oregon Law OLSPIF page</u> for event registration.





"What's all this fine print under 'Be Mine?"

LCBA Family and Juvenile Law Section Revised CLE Dates

The original dates for the following presentations have changed due to a conflict with Lane County Circuit Court Presiding Judge Jay A. McAlpin's January 9, 2025, LCBA presentation on the "State of the Court." Thus, the LCBA Family and Juvenile Law Section now presents the following two FREE lunch hour presentations in February and March:

1. **Discovery and Pretrial Family Law Matters** (with a preview of the new child attorney SLR!)

When: **Thursday, February 6, 2025**, from 12:00 -1:00 p.m.

Presenters: Brad Litchfield & Morgan Diment

Where: Lane County Circuit Court Courtroom 303

2. Representing Family Law Clients and Navigating the Court's Expectations

> When: Wednesday, March 19, 2025, from 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

Presenters: Hon. Karrie McIntyre & Sara Angeletti

Where: Lane County Circuit Court, Courtroom 303

No registration necessary. Please feel free to bring your lunch. CLE credits will be applied for.

Other Upcoming Events & CLE

Oregon Law Spring Semester Free Legal Answers Clinics:

February 21, March 14, and April 18!

Volunteer, Mentor, Eat Pizza, & Earn CLE Credit!

Oregon Law still has volunteer spots open for its three Free Legal Answers Clinics in the spring on Fridays, 12-2 p.m. Spend two hours working with a small group of students while helping low-income Oregonians.

Free Legal Answers allows lawyers to select questions to answer that have been submitted to a platform managed by the Oregon State Bar Association. The ABA provides liability coverage, and the work is eligible for CLE credit. Visit <u>OSB's Free Legal</u> <u>Answers webpage</u> to learn more. Each lawyer at the Oregon Law Event will be paired with a small group of students to answer 1-2 questions that the lawyer has selected.

Pizza and parking passes will be provided to volunteer attorneys. Contact <u>Jennifer Geller</u> to sign up or for more information.



Derrick Bell Lecture

Thursday, February 20, 2025 5:30 p.m., Knight Law Center 110

Loyola Law School Professor, Kimberly West-Faulcon

"The Hidden Agenda of Legal Cases Against Affirmative Action" - SFAA v. Harvard Trojan Horse Admissions Lawsuit



Announcements from the Oregon State Bar

OSB Seeks Comment on Proposed CSF Rules Changes

The Oregon State Bar seeks member and public feedback on proposed updates to the Client Security Fund (CSF) Rules. The changes add licensed paralegals (LPs) to the CSF Rules, and make some non-substantive changes to the structure of the ruleset. Please send comments to feedback@osbar.org by Monday, March 31, 2025, and include "CSF Rules" in the subject line.

Filing Deadline for ABA and OSB House of Delegates Candidates - March 7

The Oregon State Bar is currently seeking candidates interested in serving on the ABA and OSB House of Delegates. There are two open seats for the ABA HOD and openings in six voting regions for the OSB HOD, including the out of state region. More information and the relevant forms are available <u>here</u>.

Proposed UTCR Changes

The UTCR Committee is seeking public comment on several proposed changes to the Uniform Trial Court Rules. A description of the proposals, and instructions for how to submit comments, can be found <u>here</u>. Comments should be received by February 18, 2025 in order to be considered.

2025 OSB Awards Nominations

The nomination deadline for this year's OSB awards and the Edwin J. Peterson Professionalism Award is Tuesday, June 3 at 5:00 p.m. Nomination forms and instructions <u>are available here</u>. Award recipients will be honored at the Celebrating Oregon Lawyers event on Wednesday, October 22 in Portland. Event details will be posted as they become available. Event sponsorship opportunities are also available. For more information, please contact <u>Cathy Petrecca</u>, (503)431-6355.

Oregon Law Help Soft-Launch

OSB and our partners are now testing Oregon Law Help, a new website where low-income Oregonians can find civil legal information and free or affordable legal help. During this soft-launch phase, OSB is collecting user feedback to help make the site the best it can be. View the in-progress site <u>here</u> and use <u>this form</u> to share your feedback or suggestions.

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LANE COUNTY PROBATE & ESTATE SECTION CLEs 2025

DATE	TOPIC / SPEAKER
Tuesday, February 11, 2025, 12 p.m.	"Firearms in Guardianships, Conservatorships, Probate and Trust Administration"
Courtroom 408	Speaker: Brian M. Thompson, Probate, Estate & Protective Proceedings Attorney
Tuesday, March 11, 2025, 12 p.m.	"Medicaid Estate Recovery Post Hobart"
Courtroom 408	Speaker: Alexander Roome, DHS Estate Administration Unit
Tuesday, April 15, 2025 12 p.m.	"Removing Fiduciaries and Best Practices"
Courtroom 408	Speakers: Murray Petitt, Maura Roberts, Thorp Purdy
Tuesday, May 13, 2025, 12 p.m.	"Business Interests in Estates Planning & Administration" Speaker: TBD
Courtroom 408	
Tuesday, June 17, 2025, 12 p.m.	"A View From the Bench – Probate 2025" Speaker: Hon. Debra E. Velure
Courtroom 408	

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Upcoming Events

February 06	CLE: "Discovery and Pretrial Law Family Matters"
February 07	30th Annual OLSPIF GALA Online Auction is Feb 6-13
February 11	CLE: "Firearms in Guardianships, Conservatorships, Probate and Trust Administration"
February 14	Valentine's Day
February 17	President's Day (courts closed)
February 20	Derrick Bell Lecture
February 21	Oregon Law Free Legal Answers Clinic
February 22	Southern Willamette Valley Regional High School Mock Trial Competition
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