# BAR

# News

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#### Announcements

## Lane County Bar Association's 2025 Annual Spring Bash Success

Special thanks go out to all who participated in and supported the LCBA's Spring Bash this year! Please see the associated flyer on page 2, and visit our gallery for photos. Thanks again for a fun and memorable Spring Bash.



#### Nominations for 7th Annual Chief Justice Martha Walters Award Now Open

Lane County Women Lawers is accepting nominations for the 7th Annual Chief Justice Martha Walters Award to be presented on Friday, November 21, 2025, at the Gordon Hotel in Eugene.

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 <a href="https://tinyurl.com/CJMWA2025">https://tinyurl.com/CJMWA2025</a> and are open through July 31, 2025. The 2025 event is being underwritten at the Lady Justice level by Hutchinson Cox. If you have any questions about this year's program, please contact lanecountywomenlawyers@gmail.com.

The Local Government Law Group P.C. is pleased to announce that Neil Taylor has joined the firm as an Associate, specializing in labor and employment law matters. Neil is a graduate of Lewis and Clark School of Law and a recipient of the



Oregon Attorney General's "Excellence in Justice" award for recognition of his work in labor relations. The Local Government Law Group provides specialized legal services to government entities across Oregon since 2008.







2025 Annual Spring Bash



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#### **LANE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Hon. Pat Farr and Hon. David Loveall









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John C. Gartland 1995 LCBA President

#### Joe Richards' Celebration of Life

A celebration of Joe's life will be held at the **Shedd Institute** at 868 High Street, just one block away from the law firm he helped build, on **June 12, 2025**, at 2:00 p.m.

Joe served three terms as a **State Representative** in the Oregon Legislature from 1965-1970, and as chairman of the **Oregon Environmental Quality Commission** from 1975-1983. He was awarded the **Owen M. Panner Professionalism Award** by the OSB Litigation Section in 2017, and after 58 years in practice, Joe began devoting all his professional time to the needs of our community by working in a pro bono role with **Lane County Legal Aid** until his full retirement in 2020. He passed away on October 13, 2024, in Bend, Oregon.



### LCBA FAMILY & JUVENILE LAW SECTION LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The Family & Juvenile Law Section hosts local CLEs and participates in the Lane County Family Law Advisory Committee. The current chair, **Kasia Mlynski**, is hoping to expand the leadership team to support this section's work. Any family or juvenile law attorneys interested in this opportunity should email Kasia at kmlynski@oregonlawcenter.org.



# Announcements from the Oregon State Bar

#### OSB Speaks Out for the Rule of Law

A key element of the Oregon State Bar's mission is to promote respect for the rule of law. On March 13, in response to recent efforts to punish the law firm Perkins Cole for its legal advocacy, President Myah Kehoe released a <u>statement</u> defending the independent judiciary and the rule of law. The OSB Board of Governors has also signed on to a <u>joint statement</u> by the American Bar Association and by bar organizations across the country.

#### OSB Seeks Comment on NextGen Bar Exam

The Oregon State Bar Board of Bar Examiners is seeking input on a recommendation for OSB implementation of the National Conference of Bar Examiners' (NCBE) NextGen Bar Exam. The new exam, first available in 2026, will increase focus on legal skills and analysis, in additional to the legal knowledge emphasized in the current Uniform Bar Exam. More information is here.

#### Court Approves Amendments to the Rules of <u>Licensure</u>

The Oregon Supreme Court has approved amendments to the Rules of Licensure, addressing: 1) requirements of the New Lawyer Mentoring Program; and 2) MCLE credits for serving as a bar examiner. Both a <u>clean copy</u> of the new RLs, and a <u>redline</u> of the amendments are available. The new rules will be effective May 1, 2025.

#### 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 are available here. 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. If you have questions about the nomination process, sponsorship opportunities or the event, please contact Cathy Petrecca at <a href="mailto:cpetrecca@osbar.org">cpetrecca@osbar.org</a> or (503) 431-6355.

#### Upcoming CLE & Other Events

### LANE COUNTY WOMEN LAWYERS' SPRING SOCIAL AND BOOK DRIVE

Lane County Women Lawyers invites you to attend our Spring Social and Book Drive sponsored by Angeli & Calfo on May 1, 2025. Join us from 4:30-6:30 at Ambrosia Restraurant and Bar for some appetizers, drinks and fun. Bring your like-new/new books for Coffee Creek, Oregon's only women's correctional institution. The book drive enriches the collection of books available to the women incarcertaed at Coffee Creek, as well as the libraries in Oregon's other correctional facilities. We hope to see you there!

### LANE COUNTY PROBATE & ESTATE SECTION CLES 2025

1. "Medicaid Estate Recovery"

Speaker: Alexander Roome, DHS
Estate Administration Unit

When: Tuesday, May 13, 2025,

12:00 p.m.

Where: Courtroom 408

2. "A View from the Bench - Probate 2025"

Speaker: Hon. Debra E. Velure

When: Tuesday, June 17, 2025,

12:00 p.m.

Where: Courtroom 408

#### LCBA DEI Committee 4th Annual Affinity Bar Event

We will gather with local and state Affinity Bar members and allies to make connections, eat light snacks, and enjoy the start of summer. Friends and family, including children, are welcome! RSVPing is encouraged but not required.

When: **Thursday, June 5, 2025**, 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Where: Gratitude Brewery, 540 E. 8th Ave.,

Eugene, OR 97401

#### Position Announcements

GLEAVES SWEARINGEN LLP is seeking a lateral attorney to join our growing Estate Planning and Probate/Trust Administration team.

Gleaves Swearingen is a trusted full-service business law firm in Eugene and has served the legal needs of prominent businesses, individuals, and institutions throughout the Pacific Northwest for over 100 years. Our firm takes great pride in providing clients with high quality legal guidance and our people with rewarding work/life balance.

Candidates should have meaninful experience with estate planning, probate, trust administration, and estate tax.

Visit <u>www.gleaveslaw.com</u> to learn more about the firm.

Please send your cover letter and resume to Candace Chadwick at <a href="mailto:chadwick@gleaveslaw.com">chadwick@gleaveslaw.com</a>. All inquiries will remain confidential.



### THORP, PURDY, JEWETT, URNESS & WILKINSON SEEKING LATERAL ATTORNEY

Thorp, Purdy, Jewett, Urness & Wilkinson, P.C., is a well-established law firm serving the Eugene-Springfield area. We are a busy, full-service civil firm specializing in various practice areas. We are seeking a transactional attorney preferably with experience with Business Law, Real Property Law or Elder Law.

We offer a collegial atmosphere, strong mentorship, excellent support staff, and the opportunity for immediate client contact. Qualified candidates must have strong organizational skills, including the ability to successfully manage a high-volume workload and the ability to work well as a team, including with legal assistants and paralegals.

The ideal candidate will have strong academic credentials, excellent legal writing and analytical skills, enthusiastic professional references, and the ability to be a self-starter. We will consider candidates for a full-time associate attorney position or a full or part-time staff attorney position.

We offer a competitive salary and benefits package, commensurate with experience, as well as a strong focus on work-life balance. Oregon State Bar admission is required.

Please send cover letter, writing sample and transcript (unofficial is okay) to: Julia Belcher, Administrator, Thorp Purdy Jewett Urness & Wilkinson, P.C., 1011 Harlow Road, Suite 300, Springfield OR 97477 or via email to jbelcher@thorp-purdy.com.



Thorp, Purdy, Jewett, Urness & Wilkinson is seeking two dedicated, detail-oriented individuals with relevant law office experience, to fill full-time positions Legal Assistant and Intake Specialist.

Ideal candidates will have strong communication and organizational skills, a positive attitude, as well as ability to multitask.

We offer a competitive salary and a generous benefits package. Full job descriptions can be found in the April 2025 issue.

For inquiries, or to submit a resume and cover letter, please email **Julia Belcher** at <u>jbelcher@thorp-purdy.com</u>.

#### DIMENT LAW OFFICE SEEKING LEGAL ASSISTANT/PARALEGAL

Seeking a legal assistant/paralegal for a well-established small, but busy, family law office focusing on all aspects of family law. This position is available immediately; office hours are Monday-Friday, 8:30 am to 5 pm. Prior experience working in a law firm is required.

Ideal candidate will have: Attention to detail, Exceptional verbal and written communication skills, Ability to work independently and/or efficiently and effectively as part of a team, Excellent time management skills and the ability to prioritize tasks in order to meet deadlines, Proficiency with WordPerfect, Microsoft Office, Adobe Acrobat, and Timeslips

Responsibilities/Tasks include but are not limited to: Drafting correspondence, pleadings, and other case-related documents, working directly with clients, greeting clients, answering phone calls, assisting clients, scheduling appointments and calendaring court appearances and deadlines, electronic filing with the Oregon court system, filing, copying, scanning documents, and other office-related tasks.

Salary commensurate with experience, plus excellent benefits. Send resume to Diment Law Office, 767 Willamette St, Suite 208, Eugene, OR 97401, or via email to <a href="mailto-karen@dwlawoffice.com">karen@dwlawoffice.com</a>.

#### Office Space Available

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**UP TO 10 OFFICES** available to lease in friendly, professional environment in downtown Eugene. Office space is perfect for newer or transitioning attorneys. Month-tomonth leasing available, furnished or unfurnished option. Ample parking, short walk to all municipal, state & federal courthouses, jail, city/county offices & downtown businesses. amenities. Rent includes reception services, high-speed internet, janitorial service, use of three conference rooms, kitchen-break room, and two work rooms equipped with photocopiers, fax, postage meter, shredder, and related amenities. Rents are \$450, \$675, \$750, or \$900/mo. For more information, viewing, and incentives, please contact Alan **Seligson** at (541) 338-8500 or aseligson@ scslaw.org.











#### 66 CLUB, LEGAL PRACTICE IN EUGENE RIVER VIEW OFFICE SPACES AVAILABLE FOR SUBLEASE

East wing available in its entirety as three offices, approximately 14 ft by 14 ft primary office with river views and two 9ft by 9 ft offices adjacent, at \$2,500 per month total. West wing has river view office approximately 8 ft by 8 ft at \$800 per month with two support offices adjacent at \$500 per month each. All with reception support, conference/Zoom meeting room and including internet and telephone. Subleasing arrangement is shared with legal practice. Contact John Davis Realtor at john@ineugenere.com and 541-222-9477.





#### Services Offered

#### LAW FOR THE PEOPLE

Law for the People is a nonprofit legal services organization 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 legal work. For more information, contact Michael L. Quillin at (541) 632-6453 or mlquillin@lawforthepeople.org, or visit their website at <a href="https://www.lawforthepeople.org">https://www.lawforthepeople.org</a>.



#### CONTRACT PARALEGAL SERVICE S&T SUPPORT, LLC

Seasoned Paralegals available on an as-needed basis. Backgrounds in estate planning, probate/trust administration, business law, and litigation. Will work remotely or on-site serving Salem, Portland and Eugene. Visit <a href="https://www.stsupportllc.com/">https://www.stsupportllc.com/</a> for services and staff. Call (503) 967-6023 or email <a href="tammy@stsupportllc.com">tammy@stsupportllc.com</a> to discuss your paralegal needs.



#### PARENTING COORDINATING SERVICES

Katina Saint Marie of Kruse & Saint Marie, LLC is now providing Parenting Coordinating services. Continued conflict between parents negatively impacts children and interferes with parents' ability to follow parenting plans. This child-centered, ADR process helps parents communicate respectfully and develop healthier relationships, so they put their children first. For more information or to discuss how Katina may help your client, contact her at 541-687-6788 or <a href="mailto:kstina@ksmattorneys.com">kstina@ksmattorneys.com</a>.

#### COURT-APPOINTED SUPERVISION SERVICE

Case Visitations' mission is to create safe and supportive environments for families, ensuring healthy interactions between parents and children, while adhering to all legal requirements. Our certified supervision experts are available to work with all family needs. Case Visitations is proud to offer supervised visitation and monitored exchanges 7 days a week, including evening and holidays. Contact Info: (541) 600-7914 | admin@casevisitations.com.



#### **EUGENE WEEKLY**

Eugene Weekly is back in business and publishing legal notices again. We offer a lower cost and a higher circulation than other local papers. Publishing in the Weekly is a great way to fill the requirements for your legal notices, and to save some money at the same time. Call 541-484-0519, or email Classy@ EugeneWeekly.com for more information. (Eugene Weekly is a newspaper of general circulation as defined in ORS 193.010 and 193.020).



#### **Upcoming Events**

May	01	Lane County Women Lawyers' Spring Social and Book Drive
May	11	Mother's Day
May	13	CLE: "Medicaid Estate Recovery"
May	26	Memorial Day
June	03	Nomination Deadline for 2025 OSB Awards and Edwin J. Peterson Professionalism Award
June	05	LCBA DEI Committee 4th Annual Affinity Bar Event
June	12	Celebration of Life for Joe Richards
June	17	CLE: "A View from the Bench - Probate 2025"
July	31	Last day to submit nomination for 7th Annual Chief Justice Martha Walters Award

#### Bar News Deadline



Please help us to 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. We also

try to release the newsletter as close to the first of the month as possible, but 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, although it does take some time and effort. Your support in this process is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

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