

Family Law Conference '17

Oregon Family Law: **CHANGE CHALLENGE OPPORTUNITY** March 16-17, 2017

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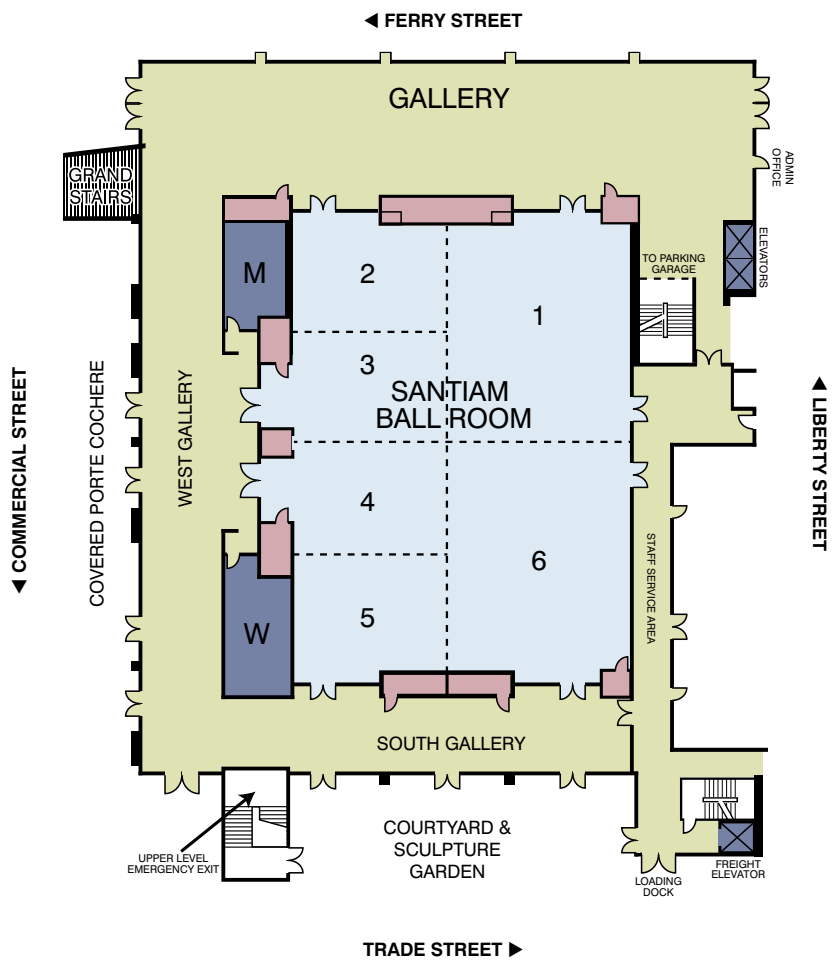
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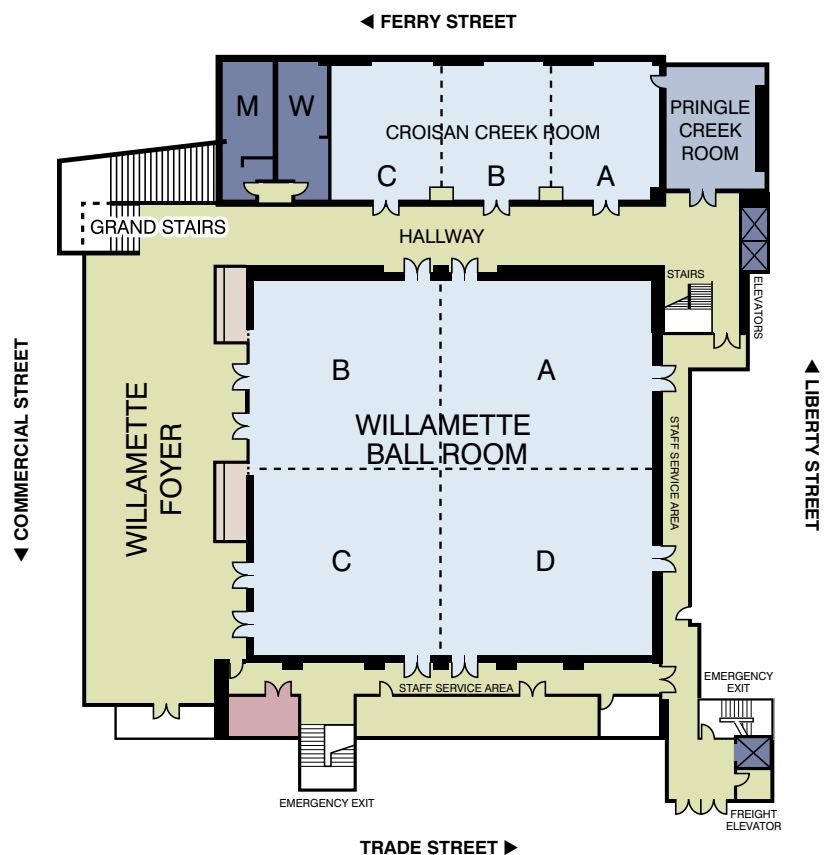
FAMILY LAW PROGRAM
Juvenile and Family Courts Programs Division

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Day 1		Thursday, March 16, 2017	
8:00 - 8:45 AM	Registration		
8:45 - 9:00 AM	Opening and Welcome <i>Hon. Paula Brownhill, Chair, State Family Law Advisory Committee (SFLAC) (Willamette Ballroom)</i>		
9:00 - 10:15 AM	Keynote Speaker <i>Stephanie Coontz</i>		
10:15 - 10:30 AM	Break		
10:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Morning Workshops		
The Roadmap Back: Supporting Children's Reintegration with Estranged Parents <i>(Willamette Ballroom)</i>	Conducting Informal Domestic Relations Trials: The View from the Bench <i>(Croisan A)</i>	Working with Self-Represented Parties: Ethics and Best Practices <i>(Croisan B)</i>	Oregon Law and Surrogacy Arrangements <i>(Croisan C)</i>
12:00 - 1:30 PM	Lunch		
1:30 - 3:00 PM	Afternoon Workshops		
Protective Orders Ratatouille <i>(Willamette Ballroom)</i>	The Future of the Legal Profession: Dealing with Change <i>(Croisan A)</i>	"What's the Problem Here?": How to Serve the Best Interest of the Child in "High Conflict" Custody Cases <i>(Croisan B)</i>	Race, The Power of an Illusion: The House We Live In <i>(Croisan C)</i>
3:00 - 3:15 PM	Break		
3:15 - 5:00 PM	Focused Discussion Groups		
Proposed Legislation and Family Law		Court Staff and Legal Advice	Is it Time to Update Oregon's Mediator Qualifications?
4:00 - 4:15 PM		Break	
Tribal and Family Court Issues <i>(Croisan A)</i>		Guide and File Forms <i>(Croisan B)</i>	Recommended Practices for Domestic Relations Court-Connected Mediation <i>(Croisan C)</i>
5:00 - 6:00 PM	Social Hour		
6:00 - 8:00 PM	Dinner and Presentation "Why Laughter and Play are Vital for Living with Less Stress" <i>Leigh Anne Jasheway</i>		

Day 2		Friday, March 17, 2017	
7:30 - 8:15 AM	Breakfast		
8:15 - 8:30 AM	Welcome		
8:30 - 10:00 AM	Plenary Speaker "Through a Trauma Lens: Trauma Informed Practice for the Courtroom" <i>Mandy Davis</i>		
10:00 - 10:15 AM	Break		
10:15 - 11:45 AM	Morning Workshops		
Procedural Fairness: The Court's Foundation for Family Law Practice <i>(Willamette Ballroom)</i>	Firearms & Domestic Violence: State and Federal Laws <i>(Croisan A)</i>	What's New and Shiny in the Oregon Child Support Program? <i>(Croisan B)</i>	The Intersection of Probate Court and Family Court: Guardianship and Conservatorship <i>(Croisan C)</i>
12:00 - 1:30 PM	Lunch <i>Presentation of the Wallace P. Carson Outstanding Achievement Award & Closing by Hon. Paula Brownhill</i>		
1:30 - 4:30 PM	SFLAC Meeting		

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Speakers



Keynote Speaker Stephanie Coontz

Stephanie Coontz teaches history and family studies at The Evergreen State College in Olympia, WA. She also serves as Co-Chair and Director of Public Education at the Council on Contemporary Families, a non-profit, nonpartisan association of family researchers and practitioners based at the University of Illinois at Chicago. Her work has been featured in many newspapers such as The New York Times, as well as scholarly journals such as Journal of Marriage and Family, and she is frequently interviewed on national television and radio.



Dinner Speaker Leigh Anne Jasheway

Courting Fun: Why Laughter and Play are Vital for Living with Less Stress

Leigh Anne Jasheway is a stress management and humor expert, comedy writer, stand-up comic, and comedy instructor/coach. Leigh Anne won the Erma Bombeck Award for Humor Writing, has 21 published books and her work has appeared in more than a dozen anthologies, including the Chicken Soup series and Marlo Thomas' The Right Words at the Right Time 2. Leigh Anne is also a part-time faculty member at the University of Oregon School of Journalism and Communications.



Plenary Speaker Mandy Davis

Through a Trauma Lens: Trauma Informed Practice for the Courtroom

Dr. Davis is the Director of Trauma Informed Oregon and Associate Professor of Practice at Portland State University's School of Social Work. Dr. Davis specializes in providing training and consultation to systems, organizations and providers on topics related to implementing trauma informed care and trauma specific services. Dr. Davis has over 20 years of experience working with survivors of trauma and is currently focused on implementation strategies. Dr. Davis is especially interested in the intersections between Trauma Informed Care, structural violence, and equity and strategies that promote workforce wellness.

The Roadmap Back: Supporting Children's Reintegration with Estranged Parents

Caitlyn Jackson, Lane County Family Mediation Program Supervisor; Sara Rich, Family Therapist, UO Adjunct Professor, and Family Support Specialist with DHS; Hon. Valerie Love, Circuit Court Judge, Lane County; Adam Shelton, Attorney at Law, Eugene/Portland

Research says children do better when they have a safe and healthy relationship with both parents. High conflict family situations – including issues of domestic violence, substance abuse, mental illness, child welfare involvement, parent incarceration, geographical distance, and other high conflict matters – can lead to extended and significant separation between parents and children. As family law professionals, how do we support children and families as they attempt to reintegrate with one another? In this workshop, presenters will provide a roadmap for supporting reunification between parents and children, including when, why, where, who and other how-to's for successful reunification efforts.

Conducting Informal Domestic Relations Trials: The View from the Bench

Hon. Wells Ashby, Circuit Court Judge, Deschutes County; Hon. Beth Bagley, Circuit Court Judge, Deschutes County

The presentation will focus on the conduct of IDRT from the judge's perspective and is intended to prepare judges for presiding over IDRTs upon adoption of the proposed UTCR.

Limited Scope Representation and Family Law: Ethics and a View From the Bench

Helen A. Hirschbiel, Executive Director, Oregon State Bar; Joshua Kadish, Attorney, Wyse Kadish LLP; Hon. Timothy Gerking, Circuit Court Judge, Jackson County; Samantha Benton, Family Law Program Manager, Oregon Judicial Department, Salem

This workshop will address representing "self-represented" parties on a limited basis, AKA limited scope representation, including the definition of limited scope representation, ethical issues, information on UTCR 8.110, the Limited Scope Representation rule and forms, and a view of limited scope representation from the bench.

Oregon Law and Surrogacy Arrangements

Hon. Beth Allen, Circuit Court Judge, Multnomah County; Sam Walton, Attorney at Law, Portland

In a convergence of medical advances and cultural shifts, Oregon has quietly become an international destination for gestational surrogacy, and industry banned in many states and countries. Couples from all over the world, especially gay and lesbian couples, come to the state and pay \$100,000 or more for the chance to become biological parents, a transaction that mixes business with joy and wraps the resulting babies in a bundle of practical, legal and ethical questions.

WORKSHOPS

Protective Orders Ratatouille

Hon. Maureen McKnight, Circuit Court Judge, Multnomah County

This presentation will discuss the different types of Oregon protective orders and requirements for each. It will contrast the different requirements for and remedies available and cover OJD's new interactive FAPA forms.

The Future of the Legal Profession: Dealing with Change

William J. Howe, III, Attorney at Law, Portland

A large majority of family law litigants now self-represent. The legal profession has been too slow to develop new models of representation that would provide less costly representation meeting the needs of these litigants. Growing numbers of lawyers are unemployed or underemployed, notwithstanding this demand for legal services. Courts struggle to manage these enlarged caseloads of largely self-represented parties with inadequate funding. Demographic and technological changes have made the traditional model of legal practice unsustainable. Either the legal profession and the courts must adapt or the private market will fill the void – often in ways that result in less fair outcomes for parties.

"What's the Problem Here?" How to Serve the Best Interest of the Child in "High Conflict" Custody Cases

Hon. Karrie McIntyre, Circuit Court Judge, Lane County, Lane County Family Law Advisory Committee Chair; Dr. Vicky Curry, PhD., Licensed Psychologist, Eugene; Lorena Reynolds, Attorney at Law, Corvallis; Judith Swinney, JD, Parent Educator, Parent Supervisor, Mediator, Portland

This panel discussion addresses the need for improved parent management and problem solving in high conflict custody cases. Attendees will receive practical tips to recognize the "high conflict" family and substantive tools to improve the lives for the children caught in the upheaval of parental conflict.

Race, the Power of an Illusion: The House We Live In

Mariann Hyland, Assistant Vice Provost for Academic Affairs, University of Oregon

Are you wondering about the concept of "race," including why there is so much unresolved racial conflict in the United States? Many of our common assumptions about race—e.g., that the world's people can be divided biologically along racial lines—have been established by science as wrong. If race is a biological myth, where did the idea come from, and how did racism become institutionalized? This session will focus on demystifying the concept of race by viewing "The House We Live In," part three of the documentary, *Race—The Power of an Illusion*. Also, the session will include a facilitated discussion concerning issues raised in the documentary.

Procedural Fairness: The Court's Foundation for Family Law Practice

Hon Maureen McKnight, Circuit Court Judge, Multnomah County; Jenny Woodson, Family Court Enhancement Project Coordinator, Multnomah County

You may think that procedural fairness is just for judges, but it is important to all players in the legal system. The discussion of procedural fairness is becoming widespread in policing, the criminal court, and corrections but is foundational in family law practice as well. This presentation will provide a basic understanding of procedural fairness principles and what you can do in your role to create a fair and neutral environment for litigants, including creating methods for feedback from the public.

Firearms & Domestic Violence: State and Federal Law

Erin Greenawald, Sr. Assistant Attorney General, Oregon Department of Justice, Debra Dority, Oregon Law Center, Hillsboro

This presentation will discuss the various state and federal laws that restrict domestic violence perpetrators from possessing firearms and ammunition.

What's New and Shiny in the Oregon Child Support Program?

Kate Cooper Richardson, Director, Oregon Child Support Program; Dawn Marquardt, Deputy Director & Policy Section Chief, Division of Child Support; Vera Poe, Policy Development Manager, Division of Child Support; Michael Ritchey, Senior Assistant Attorney General, Oregon Department of Justice; Claudia Garcia Groberg, Civil Recovery Attorney in Charge, Oregon Department of Justice; Carol Anne McFarland, Child Support Liaison, Oregon District Attorney Association

The Oregon Child Support Program is middle-aged (41 years old), but is not having a mid-life crisis. It just might seem that way, given we are building a shiny, new child support computer system, Origin. A phased rollout of Origin will begin in 2018 and the Program has been reevaluating its policies and practices to ensure they will work well with and take advantage of our new technology. In this workshop, presenters will discuss policy and practice changes to come, as well as recent changes that include establishment of past support orders, modifications for incarcerated parents, use of actual income, the adoption of UIFSA 2008, and the implementation of the Hague Convention, among others.

The Intersection of Probate Court and Family Court: Guardianship and Conservatorship

Murray Pettit, Attorney at Law, Springfield; Mark Williams, Attorney at Law, Eugene

Participants will receive an overview of guardianships and conservatorship, and the intersection between guardianships and family law. Topics will include the types of guardianships available in Oregon, the procedure for becoming a guardian (lay guardians vs. professional guardians) and what to do when there is a problem with a guardian.

FOCUSED DISCUSSION GROUPS

The Focused Discussion Groups are a chance for attendees to gather information on specific areas of practice, provide input, and ask questions of our well-informed discussion moderators. Each moderator will give a short presentation, then open up the floor to facilitated discussions. Each Session is 45 minutes.

Proposed Legislation and Family Law

Moderator: Ryan Carty, Family Law Attorney

Tribal and Family Court Issues

Moderator: Hon. Jeremy Brave-Heart, Chief Tribal Judge, Klamath Tribes

Court Staff and Legal Advice

Moderators: Lindsey Detweiler, Assistant Legal Counsel, Legal Counsel Division, Oregon Judicial Department; Samantha Benton, Family Law Program Manager, Oregon Judicial Department

Guide and File Forms

Moderator: Holly Rudolph, Forms Manager, Communication, Education, and Court Management Division, Oregon Judicial Department

Is it Time to Update Oregon's Mediator Qualifications?

Moderator: Leola McKenzie, Director, Juvenile and Family Court Programs, Oregon Judicial Department

Recommended Practices for Domestic Relations Court-Connected Mediation

Moderators: Lauren Mac Neill, Director, Clackamas County Family Court Services; Lisa Mayfield, Mediator

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