### The Clark County Bar Association is pleased to announce its

Forty-Seventh Nuts and Bolts Lecture:

# **Collaborative Practice: A Primer**

Presented by Nancy Retsinas & Howard Marshack Wednesday, March 11, 2015, 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM Red Lion at the Quay

The cost is \$50 for CCBA members, \$70 for non-member attorneys, and \$25 for non-attorneys. This will get you 2 CLE credits and the speaker's prepared materials to download. There is an extra fee if you want to pick up the materials at the door.

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**Nancy Retsinas** is a collaborative lawyer and mediator in Washington and Oregon, representing clients who seek out-of-court solutions to conflict. As a settlement advocate, she has extensive experience guiding clients through alternative dispute resolution processes, and understands the difference in roles between traditional advocacy and settlement advocacy. Her professional associations include: Collaborative Professionals of Washington, Association of Family and Conciliation Courts, Oregon Mediation Association, Washington Mediation Association, Oregon Association of Collaborative Professionals, and the International Academy of Collaborative Professionals. Active in her community, Nancy is a member of the Vancouver Rotary Club, and serves as a board member with numerous community organizations, including: Children's Center – a mental health agency serving children and families; H-Roc – a political action committee promoting women in public leadership; and Cappella Romana – a choral ensemble dedicated to keeping alive the

historical musical traditions of the Christian East and West.



**Howard Marshack** is a graduate of the Northwestern School of Law at Lewis and Clark College. He has practiced family law since 1983 when he joined Ken Weber's law firm. He has been a sole practitioner since 2003. His practice focuses almost entirely on domestic relations law. Howard is a member of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers. He has frequently spoken at family law seminars. He has written and spoken about legal ethics, International Child Custody disputes, UCCJA, UCCJEA, and the practical aspects of equal parenting. For twelve years he was a member of the Executive Committee of the Washington State Bar Association Section on Family Law (1991 to 2003) and served as its chair in 1994. Howard authored chapter 24 (UCCJEA) in the Washington Practice volumes on family law when it was originally printed in 1998 and its updates through 2012. He now authors the chapters on Cohabitation (chapter 56) and Defunct Marriage (chapter 6). He served on WSBA

task forces and ad hoc committees including the Task Force on Non-Lawyer Practice of Law, Committee to Define the Practice of Law (adjunct member), the Access to Justice Family Law Task Force and the Family Law Forms subcommittee to the Mandatory Forms Committee. In 2002, the Washington State Supreme Court appointed Howard to a position on the Practice of Law Board where he served for seven years. He taught family law at Clark College for six years ending in 2002. Howard is trained mediator since 1998. He added collaborative dissolutions to his practice in 2008.

Howard hikes in central Oregon with his wife, Susan. He has to get up before dawn each morning to walk his ungrateful dog.

### An outline of this presentation appears on the next page

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## CCBA CLE March 11, 2015

*Collaborative Law: An Effective Approach to Conflict Resolution:* This presentation focuses on introducing the practitioner to Collaborative Practice so the lawyer knows:

- What is Collaborative Practice? We will discuss the practices and techniques for settlement that replace court-processed resolution of conflict, and will introduce the practitioner to the dynamics underlying interest-based settlement negotiations.
- How does Collaborative Practice work? We will discuss preparation and conduct of the lawyer in a collaborative process, and how it differs from traditional lawyering, and will introduce the practitioner to what his or her role in a collaborative process looks like.
- When will Collaborative Practice work? We will discuss the circumstances that make collaborative practice a more attractive alternative to conflict resolution, and will introduce the practitioner to the many areas of law collaborative practice can be effective, such as in the business, civil, real estate, trust and estates, and family law arenas.
- Why Collaborative Practice? We will discuss the benefits of collaborative practice to both the client and the professional, and will introduce the practitioner to some of the science underlying how individuals in conflict process decisions.