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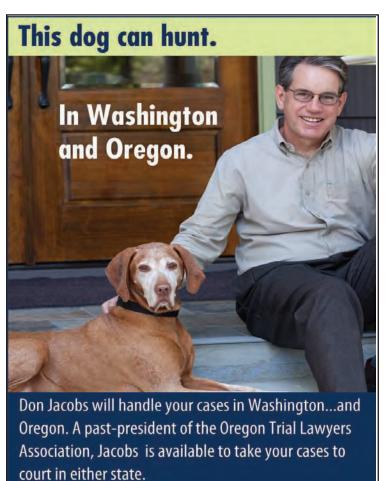
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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

# **Songs of Swans**



KURT RYLANDER
CCBA President

The ancient Greeks believed that the Mute Swan was silent throughout life until, just moments before death, it sang one beautiful song. This was first mentioned in Aeschylus' Agamemnon in 458 BC in reference to Cassandra who was like a swan who had "sung her last lament".

Today the term "swan song" means any final performance before death or retirement. With a little stretch, it certainly can mean me, a president writing his last president's message before a new president is elected.

As any reader of the last eleven Hearsay publications will have surmised, I like ancient history, law, sun, and setting things right. This year I had plenty of opportunity to exercise the last proclivity. I am proud to say that with the overwhelming help and support of an excellent board (John Fairgrieve, Suzan Clark, Jane Clark, JD Nellor, David Gregerson, Andrew Wheeler, and David Ridenour) things at the Bar are turning around.

The Bar has filed all the termination papers necessary with the U.S. Department of Labor to fix the health care plan mess and put it, hopefully, behind us. After taking several drastic actions, our finances are starting to look healthy and sufficient to continue the viability of this Bar. We have a new slate of proposed officers

who will continue our work, and no doubt take the bar to great heights. Judge Melnick served great burgers and dogs at the BarBQ. The Bar turned around a bar poll for a new superior court judge in an incredibly fast time frame. The golf tournament is on! And young lawyers look to challenge senior lawyers for supreme softball prowess. Life is good.



So as my swan song, I would like to thank all the members of the Bar for giving me the privilege and honor of serving you; all the volunteers who work tirelessly, and many times thanklessly, on Bar events; the numerous attorneys who confidentially called me and offered any assistance they could give to help the Bar to survive; the wonderful judges who were always willing to give advice, suggestions, and to chip in; and the extremely patient, forgiving, and supportive Board and Staff who had to put up with me and my many idiosyncrasies.

Lest you think the fun is over, however, I am taking over as Editor of The Hearsay. Honk!

## **Upcoming CLE Schedule**

Date	Area of Law	Topic	Speakers	Committee Chair
September	Real Property		Robert Russell William Black	Scott Matthews
October	Mediation	Controversial Issues in Mediation	Richard Spier Steve Andersen Jane Clark	Jane Clark
November	Federal	Federal Court Civil Procedure		Rick McCloud
December	Ethics			

# New web service to help drivers get back on the road legally

OLYMPIA—If your driver license is suspended due to unpaid traffic tickets, a DUI or a number of other things, it can be a challenge to navigate the court system to get it back. For the nearly 300,000 Washingtonians with a suspended license, things are about to get a little easier.

The Department of Licensing rolled out a new web-based service that shows people what they need to do and who they need to contact to get their license back. Users can securely enter their personal information and the system will provide a printable list of the court issues and state requirements needing to be resolved. It also provides contact information for each item. It is available at the agency's website, dol.wa.gov.

The agency worked with courts around the state to design a comprehensive system that is easy to use. It was tested with

individuals actually in the process of getting their suspended licenses reinstated.

"We are continuing the expansion of our online services, so that people can take care of the most common driver licenses services online. This is another step in our work to give customers more convenient options," DOL Director Alan Haight said.

The agency currently offers driver license renewal and replacement

Josephine Townsend Hearings Examiner Washington State Department of Licensing

# CCBA SOFTBALL GAME & BBQ: YLS vs. "Senior" Attorneys

Saturday, September 17, 2011

Where? Prairie Field, #4

When? Noon until YLS victory

How Much? Free

The annual Young vs. "Senior" Lawyer Softball Game and BBQ will be held on Saturday, September 17th at noon. The game will be at the Prairie Field Softball Complex, Field #4. The complex is on NE 137th Ave in Vancouver.

"Senior" attorneys interested should contact team captain Judge Stahnke at Daniel.Stahnke@clark.wa.gov

Young attorneys interested should contact team captain **Chris Boyd** at **cboyd@vancouverlaw.net** You are a "young lawyer" if under 36 years of age or five years of practice (or if you played college/professional baseball or softball, regardless of age).

Please come out and enjoy free food and dazzling displays of athleticism!



## CCBA Annual Meeting and Lunch

12:00 - 2:30 PM.

## Monday September 12, 2011 Red Lion at the Quay, 100 Columbia Street, Vancouver

- > Judge Johnson will give a Superior Court report
- > Judge Hagensen will give a District Court report
- ➤ Clerk's office and committee reports
- > Treasurer's Report Suzan Clark
- ➤ Election of the new CCBA Board of Trustees

Special Guest Speaker: Professor Arthur Kohn, Ph.D

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# Judge Bennett Retires



**JEAN McCOY** Hearsay Special Correspondent



Kim Nigg presents Judge Bennett with his robe and gavel (hermetically sealed for posterity)

Judge Roger Bennett was all smiles at his Clark County retirement party held on August 26, 2011 in the Juror room at the Courthouse. Many friends and colleagues joined to celebrate a prestigious career with Clark County spanning 30 years, 20 of those spent on the bench. Judge Bennett's judicial assistant, Kim Nigg, presented the Judge with a large memento – his judicial robe and gavel framed and ready to grace any wall in his home. Judge Bennett also received remembrances from County Commissioner, Mark Bolt, Pat Escamilla, Juvenile Court Administrator, and Presiding Judge, Barbara Johnson.

In keeping with the famed "pact of secrecy" those surrounding Judge Bennett are sworn to uphold, no embarrassing stories were told in public. Greg Price read a letter from Judge Bennett's longtime friend, Bill Baumgartner (who was convinced the retirement party was deliberately scheduled while he was out of town); but due to the pact, the letter contained only well wishes.

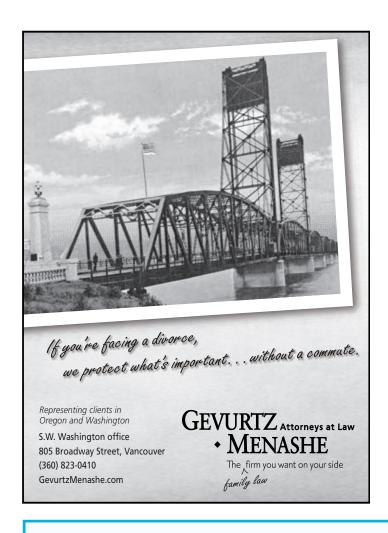
Judge Bennett recollected that 30 years ago on his way down to Clark County from Seattle for his interview with the Prosecutor's office, he almost turned the car around. Who would want to work in Clark County? As it turns out, Judge Bennett is glad his path led him to what has turned out to be a wonderful career, and a beautiful family. We in the legal community are also fortunate Judge Bennett's car kept going.



County Commissioner, Mark Bolt, presents a remembrance from Clark County



Well wishers and colleagues wish Judge Bennett a happy and healthy retirement



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John Ashworth's practice focuses on environmental law and business litigation. He has earned a strong national reputation by successfully representing clients involved in multimillion-dollar federal and state Superfund sites and related cleanup litigation. Last year he was named one of Oregon's top environmental lawyers by *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business.* He earned his J.D. from New York University School of Law in 1982, is admitted to practice in Oregon and Washington, and was previously with Bullivant Houser Bailey for 29 years in Portland.



Bob Lowry's practice focuses on environmental law, also including national recognition regarding multimillion-dollar federal and state Superfund sites and related cleanup litigation, and commercial litigation, with an emphasis on fraud and civil racketeering cases. He has prosecuted and defended a range of matters through trial and appeal in federal and state courts. He earned his J.D. with great honors from Northwestern School of Law at Lewis & Clark College, is licensed to practice in Oregon, practices with special permission in other jurisdictions, and was previously with Bullivant Houser Bailey in Portland for 26 years.

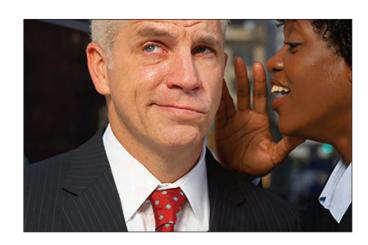
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## **DOUBLE HEARSAY**

# What CCBA Members Are Doing About Town



#### **RAISA JUDICATA**

Guest Gossip Columnist

On July 27, 2011, eighteen women lawyers and business folks joined together for happy hour at the Atrium and a viewing of the summer hit comedy "Bridesmaids" at the City Center theatres. Lawyers Julie Kinart and Carolyn Sims had not seen one another since high school graduation and had a lot to catch up with. Lou Baran has joined the trend of Scooter riders and says she has yet to fill up her tank it gets such good gas mileage. Kathy McCann drove to Portland and back,



A bevy of beauties enjoy good food and hilarious film.

and still had time for happy hour and the movie. The ladies had wedding bubbles and someone even showed up with a "butt-bow" dress. It's great to be a girl!

This summer doesn't seem like it really started until August, and since we know it won't last, there is not a moment to waste. Celebrating one of the last Riverview Six to Sunset concerts on August 11, 2011 found Rachel Brooks, Denise Lukins, Winnie Clements, Scott Matthews and Marvin Benson enjoying good times in and around the Esther Short Park listening to "Hit Machine", ala 70's and

80's music (those were good times, good times...) For their way of enjoying the summer sun, buddies Brian Gerst and David Ridenour braved the wild waves of the Columbia River, only to find themselves an hour later stranded by a clogged fuel line. Steve Sowards floated by and offered encouragement, but it was left to "Captain Ron" and his emergency vessel to get the Skipper and his little buddy to safety. Hopefully your summer sojourns are without mishap....but if not, Raisa wants to know about them!

So gossip, being gossip, doesn't necessarily evolve into "truth" until the fat lady actually sings. Probably by the time you read this, what started out as gossip will be truth. Your esteemed colleague, Raisa, reported in July it was rumored that the new Judge in Department 1 would be a designated family law position. However, now that Judge Dan Stahnke is the new Department 1 Judge, he will be getting a reprieve from the Annex, and will move into Department 1's full case load. Judge Jim Rulli's office will be moving to the Annex to make room



Civil attorneys are looking forward to the return of Judge Scott Collier from the Annex

for Judge Scott Collier to take a full civil case load, and Judge Nichols will be taking on a family law case load in addition to Drug Court effective September 12, 2011. Judge Nichols was appointed to the bench in 1997, having served as a District Court Judge elected in 1994 after 19 years of private practice. When asked why the move, Judge Nichols quipped "It's only temporary"; (Records are being retrieved from Judge Poyfair's famous last words when the family law court was first created). Having seen Judge Nichols reason with unruly litigants on the unlawful detainer docket (rumor is, he actually LIKES it), this writer is certain that he will excel at dividing up flatware and the family dog.

Russ Garrett, Chapter 7 Trustee, is normally a fixture at the MS 150 bike ride in Oregon in July, a ride benefitting the Multiple Sclerosis



Russ Garrett knows how to move...

Society, but this year he braved the "RAG-BRAI", the "Register's Annual Great Bicycle Ride Across Iowa". RAGBRAI is an annual seven-day bicycle ride (not a "race") across the state of Iowa the last week of July. Registration is limited to 8,500 riders for the week, so if the applications exceed that number, riders are chosen by a lottery method. Russ is always up for big challenges, and this is it – the route averages 472 miles over the week and is not necessarily a

flat course. After returning from this fast pace, effective August 16, 2011, Russ moved his practice from Bullivant Houser Bailey, PC to

Jordan Schrader, PC, along with his staff and band of merry men, John Bachofner and Scott Anders. The Bank of America building is mourning the loss of its Santa Claus, John!

Your esteemed colleague Raisa Judicata can't be everywhere. If you have a tidbit of news you would like the world to know, send a note to raisajudicata@gmail.com. Raisa usually checks in the first Monday of every month. Remember, it is your ethical duty to support your member organization with juicy gossip and goings on.

# Conference Room available to rent

The CCBA's office conference room is available for meetings and depositions at reasonable rates.

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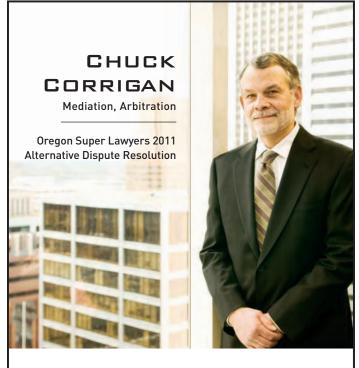
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## **GETTING TO KNOW: KELLIE HENDERSON**

"Getting to Know" is a monthly feature designed to better acquaint the membership with our local attorneys, judges and other people of interest to the Clark County bench and bar. This month's subject is Clark County Juvenile Probation Counselor, Kellie Henderson.

## Where did you grow up and how did you end up in Vancouver?

I was born in N.C. and moved to Florida when I was 8. So I consider myself a Southerner through and through! I went into the military after high school and met my husband (of 22 years as of this Sunday!) who was from the Vancouver area. So upon our discharge from the service we moved here. We've lived in Vancouver for almost twenty years.

## What or who inspired you to be a juvenile probation counselor?

No one really inspired me to become a Juvenile PC. I just grew up knowing that I would work with young people and my career/education path has stayed true to that. Prior to being hired at Juvie I worked with sexual assault survivors, homeless youth, and teen parents. I will say that my inspiration in giving my job so much of my energy is my son. He's 21 now and when he was growing up he really taught me the value of allowing young people to make their own mistakes and keeping my mouth shut when I should be listening instead of talking:)

What ultimately drew me to Juvenile Court however is the approach that we take to serving kids and families. In Clark County the juvenile court is less punitive based and more strength based utilizing the restorative justice philosophy. This way of re-integrating youth with their community is in line with the way I believe we build strong community members.

#### What would you be doing if you were not in that position?

Honestly, I love my job and can't imagine not doing it. That said, my retirement plan is to open a weenie wagon on the beach in Florida and write a children's book series!

## If you could change one thing about the local court system, what would you change?

I would like to see our efforts and outcomes be more consistent.

#### What are the best and worst things about interacting with local attorneys and prosecutors?

I feel pretty blessed to be able to hold open and honest discussions with most of our prosecutors. Many of them realize the importance of at least hearing the background of our clients and allowing for decisions that will enable youth to ultimately overcome many of those issues while still keeping the community safe.

### Is there one case which really affected or changed you in a profound way? If so, which and why?

One of the things that I truly appreciate about my job is that I seem to never stop learning. Each of the youth served teach me on one level or another to remain open-minded and fast thinking. About five years ago I began focusing my caseload on gang involved youth.

As a result of that I had opportunity to help organize and facilitate a weekly meeting with 8 gang members as part of a senior project for one of my clients. What started out as a six week project lasted for nine months. I honestly believe that I learned more from them than the other way around. The value of that time together is immeasurable but one thing that I walked away with is a greater understanding of the impact that youth have on each other as well as the feelings of isolation that go along with exclusion from the majority. Additionally, I was blown away by their willingness to try new life experiences and share those experiences with their families and peers. Those young men helped myself and others realize the importance of not being afraid of failure or allowing that fear to overcome effort.

## What has been the biggest lesson of your career in juvie?

Actually there are two. First, I find that often times people are willing to discount the potential of the youth in our community. I've come to believe that this reflects more of a fear of failure than anything else. If we say that a kid won't make it and they fail then we weren't wrong. It's much harder to believe in them and actively participate in their lives to help them reach their potential.

I guess the second most important lesson is that it's not my decision who will be successful and who won't. I guess what I mean is that each of my clients deserves the very best that Juvenile Court has to offer. So I can't give less of myself as a probation counselor because I feel one youth has more potential than another. I hear repeatedly that this or that kid isn't going to "make it". It would be unfair to the youth and presumptive of me if I thought that I had the final say in who will "make it" or not.

What activities do you enjoy in your spare time? Reading, taking trips, and photography.

## How has the juvenile system or population in Clark County changed since you started?

When I started at Juvenile Court we had just adopted the restorative justice philosophy so I would say that has been the biggest and most powerful change since I began.

#### Favorite vacation destination (or dream vacation destination)?

I love going home to Florida and actually recently spent a month there to regroup. The ocean works wonders for me!

## What's a common and accepted practice for lawyers in Clark County nowadays that you think we'll look back on with regret?

Not having a better education/understanding of the different cultures coming through our court system

## What would you attempt to do if you knew that you could not fail?

(I love this...have this quote on my office fridge!) Learn Spanish!

## What type of products do you never go cheap on, for the sake of quality?

Shoes, laundry detergent, ice cream, and cereal

## Describe a few pet peeves of yours.

Litterbugs! Dishonesty.

## Think of one of your least favorite people in the Clark County bar and, without naming him or her, describe what makes that person so unappealing.

Arrogant, applies their standard of living and life experiences to what others should do or be capable of, unwilling to listen to a different point of view.

## What do you know now that you wish someone had told you 10 years ago?

That it's not such a bad thing to lead with your heart!

## What childhood event shaped or scarred you the most? Being raised by a single mom helped me to understand the importance of self-reliance and never quitting.

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## **Washington Women Lawyers Event**

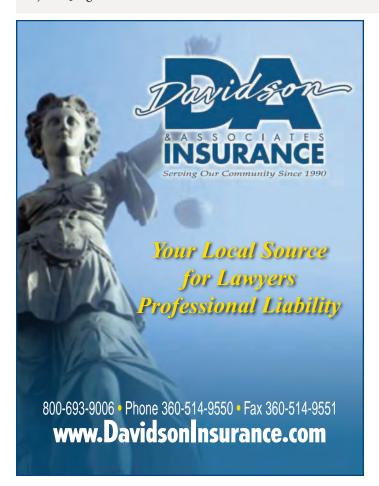
In 1942, Rosie the Riveter captured the nation's attention and inspired a social movement in which women joined the workforce in droves never before seen in American history. This year's speaker at the Washington Women Lawyers Annual Event, Sarah Weddington, has taken that "can-do" spirit and carries it forward through the 21st century. She embodies that iconic figure's spirit by forging a path of firsts throughout her professional career – 1st woman to ever hold the position of general counsel of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the 1st woman from Austin in the Texas House of Representatives, and she's believed to be the youngest person ever to win a case before the U.S. Supreme Court. She argued the landmark case of Roe v. Wade and detailed her experience in her first book, A Question of Choice.

Join Washington Women Lawyers on October 14, 2011, at the Grand Hyatt in Seattle for a Reception at 5:30 p.m. and Awards Dinner at 6:30 p.m. to hear Sarah Weddington speak on women's issues and leadership in the law.

For tickets, please contact Debora Motyka Jones at djones@lighthousedt.com or find more information at http://www.wwl.org. We look forward to seeing you on October 14 in Seattle!

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## Family Law Section Meeting



**CHRIS BOYD** Family Law Section President

The Family Law Section starts a new year with our first meeting on Thursday, September 8th at 11:30 to 1:00 p.m. Jolene Sell with the Clark County Prosecutor's Office, Child Support Division, will be the guest speaker. The topic will be changes to the parentage act. We will also be saying goodbye to Judge Scott Collier and Judge Dan Stahnke, who are both off to the criminal/civil rotation. Hopefully we will also be welcoming our new family law judicial officer, Judge John Nichols.

As always, our meetings are in the reserved lounge section of Tommy O's, 801 Washington Street, Vancouver. The cost of the meeting will be \$13.00 for lunch plus \$5.00 for one CLE credit for CCBA FLS members. If you are not a member of the CCBA and FLS the cost is \$13.00 for lunch and \$10.00 for the CLE credit. Please RSVP by Monday, September 5, 2011 by sending your payment to our section's Treasurer, Meredith

McKell Graff, 3214 NE 42nd Street, Suite B, Vancouver, WA 98663.

Our new officers are: President, Chris Boyd; Treasurer, Meredith McKell Graff; Secretary, Jennifer Kirkman.

If you would like to attend a CCBA FLS meeting and do not currently receive the email updates, please email me at cboyd@vancouverlaw.net.

Remember to visit the blog for updates and announcements: http://ccbafamilylawsection.blogspot.com/

Very Truly Yours, Chris Boyd

## **CCBA Monthly Board of Directors' Meeting**



**ANDREW WHEELER** CCBA Secretary

The Clark County Bar Association Board Meeting recently convened on August 3rd and found the Board continuing efforts to streamline and improve overall CCBA operations. The Board has been working closely with CCBA sections to ensure greater efficiency in CLE credit processing and to minimize additional financial penalties for late reporting to the WSBA. Furthermore, the Board has been working diligently to strengthen CCBA financials to ensure the continued budgetary viability to the Association.

At the same meeting, the Board was introduced to Lisa Darco who will be assuming responsibility of the office support position recently vacated by Elena Quintana. The upcoming CCBA activities will be keeping Lisa busy in the next several months with the CCBA Golf Tournament, the Young Lawyers vs. Senior Lawyers softball game, along with the initial preparations for next year's Barrister Ball. All of these events were discussed at the meeting.

The next Board of Director's meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 7th, 2011, at the CCBA offices and is open to all members.

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## CLARK COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION CLE SERIES **Nuts & Bolts: What Every Practioner Needs to Know**

The Clark County Bar Association is delighted to announce that it will host a CLE series geared to the new members of the legal community titled Nuts & Bolts: What Every Practioner Needs to Know. The series will vary from one to three hours every second Wednesday of the month. Each session will feature knowledgeable attorneys in a particular area of practice, and focus on the basic issues and procedures confronting an area of law. The current list of dates and topics are as follows:

Date	Topic	Speaker	Committee Member
September 14, 2011	Wills & Estates	C. Trent Kunz	Carol McCaulley
October 12, 2011	Criminal Trial		Suzan Clark
November 9, 2011	Bankruptcy		Scott Matthews
December 14, 2011	Collecting on Judgments		Mark Beatty

Each one of the series is on \$50 or you can purchase a discount card and attend 6 of the 12 events for \$250. We'll meet at the Quay at 3:00 and be done in time for happy hour. Materials will be provided free for download for those who register three days before the seminar, or for a modest fee at the door.

## Call 695-5975 to register

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Statistics for July include 62 clients seen in advice clinics, 20 in Family Law, 13 in Family Law paperwork review clinic, 4 in the Non parental Custody Clinic, 11 in the General Law clinic, 3 in the Bankruptcy Clinic and 11 in Housing Justice Project clinic. We placed 1 case with an attorney for direct representation. There were 128 hours of volunteer attorney time donated.

We have been depending on volunteers from the para-legal programs at Clark College and Everest College for the past two years. The programs have grown to the point that Ashley and I cannot keep up with the phones and the paperwork ourselves. It is a big help to have these students. Some of these students have gotten jobs through the contacts they make here.

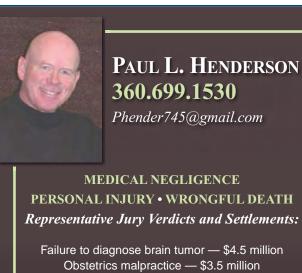
Another addition to the office is the office dogs. On Wednesdays Simon, a tri-color corgi spends the day with us. He is the child of one of our volunteer attorneys and he is learning proper office etiquette and a little legal education. On Fridays Susan's dogs, Legal Beagle and Sophie, spend the day. Despite his name, Legal Beagle does not know what is legal and what is not. He often misbehaves.

So, we are tempted to change the name on our window to Clark County Volunteer Lawyers Program, Para-Legal Placement Service and Doggie Day Care.

Thanks, Susan

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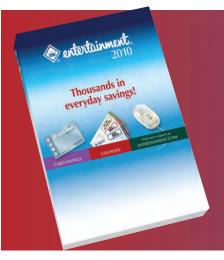
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# **UPCOMING EVENTS**



#### September 12, 2011

CCBA Annual Meeting & Lunch Election of officers and CLE following Red Lion at the Quay 12:00pm

## CLE

#### **September 14, 2011**

Nuts & Bolts CLE, Wills & Estates, Red Lion at Quay, 3:00pm to 5:00pm

#### September 17, 2011

SOFTBALL GAME: YLS vs. "Senior" Attorneys, Prairie Field, #4 Noon until YLS victory

#### MEETING

#### September 20, 2011

CLE Committee Meeting, CCBA office12:00pm

#### September 23, 2011

CCBA Golf Tournament Cedars at Salmon Creek

#### CLE

#### October 12, 2011

Nuts & Bolts CLE, Criminal Trial, Red Lion at Quay, 3:00pm to 5:00pm

#### October 25, 2011

CCBA CLE - Controversial Issues in Mediation. Public Service Center 9:00am

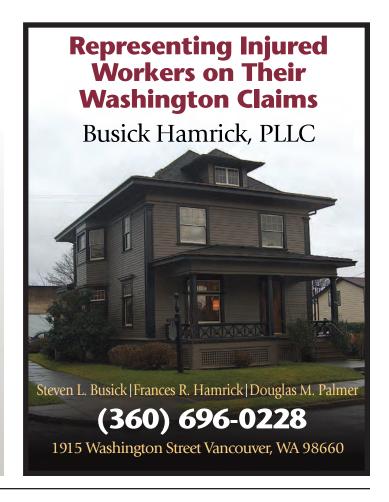
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Administrative Law	20
Bankruptcy	7
Business & Corp	2
Consumer	
Criminal	18
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Family Law	62
General Litigation	87
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Wills & Trusts	15
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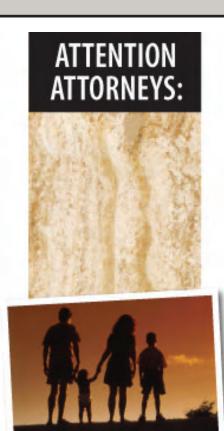
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