

PRO BONO CONNECTION

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It's not justice if it's not equal.

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We appreciate all of your continued support!

CHAMPIONS OF JUSTICE

OCTOBER

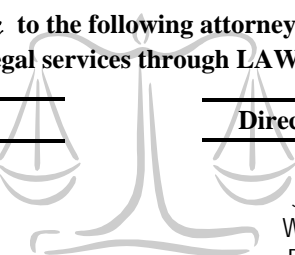
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Thank you for supporting LAW Advocates, your pro bono organization!

ANNOUNCING...

TENANT CLINIC

ARE YOU FACING EVICTION?

At the Courthouse

FOR LOW INCOME RENTERS

EVERY FRIDAY AFTERNOON THAT HAS COURT EVICTION CALENDAR

WHATCOM COUNTY COURTHOUSE
SECOND FLOOR HALL
BEGINNING AT 12:30 P.M.

CONTACT US TO VOLUNTEER!

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Appeal to the Community...

Thank you to **Kathryn Hanowell** for contributions in October.

Spotlight On...

Pro Bono Dedication!

Our pro bono hats off to **Doug Robertson of Belcher Swanson et al** who represented two clients over a lengthy period of time who owned mobile homes in county mobile home park. His pro bono fees are valued at \$10,000. The case required this level of attention

because the park owner failed repeatedly to comply with the fundamental requirements under the Mobile Home Landlord-Tenant Act, including:

- Refusing to provide written leases;
- Raising the rent and changing the due date in violation of the law; failing to keep proper records of rent that was paid;
- Maintaining improper and dangerous electrical and septic systems and failing to provide regular water to their tenants;
- Sending repeated 5-day notices to vacate without legal cause.

In the end the tenants achieved a satisfactory result before moving out, including the waiver of significant amounts of rent and with the landlord assuming responsibility to dispose of the units when the park closed.



Thanksgiving dinners take eighteen hours to prepare. They are consumed in twelve minutes. Half-times take twelve minutes. This is not coincidence. ~Erma Bombeck



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