



Press Release - September 27, 2024

Lewis County Superior Court Constitutional Commissioner

Lewis County Superior Court is pleased to announce the hiring of attorney, Cailen Cecil as the new Constitutional Court Commissioner. Ms. Cecil comes to us with extensive experience in private practice and as a deputy prosecutor in both Lewis and Thurston Counties, and will be taking over for Court Commissioner Paul Strophy who is currently running unopposed for Superior Court Position 2.

The Constitutional Court Commissioner is a judicial officer appointed by the three elected Lewis County Superior Court Judges. The Court Commissioner has authority as delegated by the Judges to decide all matters submitted to the Superior Court for decision without a jury, whether in Court or in chambers. Superior Court is a Court of general jurisdiction. The Court Commissioner is currently assigned to hear and decide protection order dockets, dependency and parental rights matters, juvenile non-offender matters (truancy, at risk youth and children in need of services), family law motions, family law settlement conferences, child support enforcement and modifications.

We look forward to welcoming Ms. Cecil as the new Lewis County Superior Court Constitutional Commissioner as she formally takes the bench in January 2025.

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