Oregon Lawyers Raise Over $1 Million for Access to Justice

Attorneys from throughout the state of Oregon answered the fifteenth anniversary challenge by raising an historic $1 million for the 2005 Campaign for Equal Justice. Matching funds provided by Meyer Memorial Trust and the countless hours donated by more than 150 volunteers made this possible. Ninety-two hundred and twenty-seven individual major donors, an increase of 25 percent, each contributed $1,000 or more. Corporate and firm contributions of $1,000 or more increased by nearly 20 percent. This remarkable achievement took a concerted effort all across the legal community and all across the state.

The Large Firm Committee, co-chaired by Bill Crow of Schwabe Williamson & Wyatt and Joel Mullins of Stoel Rives, raised nearly $350,000. The Midsize Firm committee, co-chaired by Mark Wada and David Denecke of Harrang Long, rallied their firm troops and exceeded their goal by raising over $75,000 for legal aid. The Associates Committee, chaired by Jessica Hamilton, Ball Janik, Beverly Pearman, Stoel Rives, and Charmin Shielty, Foster Pepper Toole; succeeded in their efforts to reach out to new lawyers this year.

OTLA Lawyers were led by a team of volunteers from Stoll Stoll Berne Lokting & Shalachtan, David Rees, Steve Larson, Gary Berne, and Tim DeJong all made personal calls to increase OTLA contributions. Phil Goldsmith, Linda Eyerman of Gaylord Eyerman Bradley, David Rees, and Mike Williams of Williams Leve O’Leary Craine Powers, reached out to OTLA members through the mail. Trudy Allen, US Bancorp, and Ceci Reniche-Smith, Hoffman Hart & Wagner, successfully challenged the members of Oregon Women Lawyers to contribute generously.

Governor Ted Kulongoski and First Lady Mary Oberst reaffirmed their commitment to legal aid by opening Multnomah Hall to a reception for major donors and Campaign leaders.

Emi Donis of Precision Castparts, Paul Ehrlich, adidas, and Peter Kochler, NIKE; led the charge with corporate counsel. Lisa LeSage, Lewis & Clark Law School, Merv Loya, University of Oregon School of Law; Lawrence Wohbruck, and David Bean, Meyer & Wyse, reached out to help at Oregon law schools.

Laurence Hamblen, Pam Haddock, Diana Toge, Chuck Deitrich, and Sandi Curtis contacted hundreds of lawyers in Lane County. Their campaign efforts began with a reception at the University of Oregon School of Law where the Honorable David Schuman was keynote speaker. In Marion County, Ryan Collier, Clark Lindauer Feherston, Andrew Shull, Department of Justice; and Carla Mikkelson kicked off the Campaign at their annual luncheon and worked tirelessly to follow up with lawyers. The Honorable David Brewer addressed luncheon guests on the importance of access to justice. Larry Brisebois, Brisebois & Stockton, and the Honorable Elizabeth Purse contacted lawyers in Washington County. Dennis Karnopp and Howie Arnett of Karnopp Peterson and the Honorable Neil Bryant of Bryant Lovchen & Jarvis worked with legal aid Regional Director Leigh Dickey to achieve good results in Deschutes, Crook and Jefferson Counties. Lincoln County Counsel, Wayne Belmont, worked in Lincoln County, and Jim Egan, Kryger Alexander Egan Elm & Carlson, sent personal letters to Linn County lawyers. Bill Carter, Debra Lee, and Mark Weaver, Brophy Mills Schmor, reached new heights in Jackson County. The Jackson County Bar Association donated the proceeds of their annual bar dinner to the Campaign.

Sid Lezak of Newcomb Sabin, Bill Carter, Charlie Swindells, and Rod Lewis of Davis Wright Tremaine wrote letters and generously volunteered their time to boost total contributions.

Thank you to our donors and volunteers for the tremendous success of this annual campaign and for your deep commitment to provide access to justice in Oregon.

Your contributions of time and money make a tremendous difference in the lives of Oregon’s poor and in maintaining the integrity of our legal system. Your support has helped to ensure representation for 22,000 low-income Oregonians who are in desperate need. Thousands more have been helped through legal aid’s pro bono programs and self-help classes and materials. Thank you for your generous support for legal aid.

Sandra Hansberger
Executive Director

The Lawyers’ Campaign for Equal Justice

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Volunteers


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Sasman Shank LLP  $3,026
SAIF Corporation  $3,026
OSB Real Estate Corporation  $3,000
Precision Caspetworks Corporation  $3,000
Yates Matthews & Associates, PC  $3,000
Portland General Electric  $2,950
Rama Crew Corrigan LLP  $2,850
Lewis & Clark Law School, Lewis & Clark Legal Clinic & Oregon Law Institute  $2,631
US Bancorp  $2,550
Gayhors Chaudhuri & Balthrop PC  $2,500
OSB Debtor Creditor Section  $2,500
Steenman Schumann Teelckbury Crighton & Rose PC  $2,500
Robert D Vining PC  $2,500
Preston Gates & Ellis LLP  $2,475
Garrett Herrmann Robertson Jennings Comstock & Trethewy PC  $2,387
Rosenman Blackman LLP  $2,360
• Office of the Governor of Oregon  $2,300
Willamette University College of Law  $2,210
Frohmeyer Deatherage Pruitt Jameson Clarke & More  $2,200
Newcomb Sabin Schwartz & Landevalk LLP  $2,200
Professional Liability Fund  $2,200
Cory Blyer Rev Lorenzen & Horjem LLP  $2,150
Williams Kantor & Gibbs LLP  $2,100
Foster Dunnell LLP  $2,000
Jaques Sharp Sherer & Fitzsimons  $2,000
• James K Keal PC  $2,000
Mitchell Lang & Smith  $2,000
OSB Appellate Practice Section  $2,000
OSB Government Law Section  $2,000
Johnson Clifton Lamon & Schaller PC  $2,000
Howot Boast & Olsen PC  $2,000
Clark Lindeman Feinberg Edwards Lippold & Collier LLP  $1,775
US Bankruptcy Court of Oregon  $1,750
US District Court  $1,700
Davis Rothwell Mullin Earle & Xochitluisa  $1,665
Bodyfield Mount Stroup & Chamberlain LLP  $1,500
Jeff C Carter PC  $1,450
Davis Adams Muller Rundell Day & Galli  $1,400
Goldberg Mechanics Stuart & Gibson LLP  $1,400
OSB Consumer Law Section  $1,400
OSB Labor & Employment Law Section  $1,400
Picken Dunniquan LLP  $1,350
Seifer Yates Mills & Zweizynski LLP  $1,350
Law Offices of Judy Snyder  $1,500

Gevurtz Munsieh Lanson & Howie PC  $1,457
Jacobson Thielhoff Dickey PC  $1,400
Oregon State Bar  $1,371
Swanson Latheen Alexander & McCann PC  $1,351
Bryant Lottken & Jarvis PC  $1,300
Heller Ehrman LLP  $1,300
Legislative Counsel  $1,300
Oregon Department of Consumer & Business Services  $1,300
Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP  $1,300
Rahn & Rahn PC  $1,250
Kennedy Want Arelan & Ricks LLP  $1,250
Luvass Cobb  $1,235
Senior Judges  $1,200
Mark R Rues PC  $1,200
Lawrence Wobbrook PC  $1,200
Champlin, Vielma, McClenagh & Stensal LLP  $1,100
Harold Leach & Kirwan  $1,100
Meyer & Wyse LLP  $1,100
VA Regional Counsel  $1,075
Bennett Hartman Morris & Kaplan LLP  $1,000
Duchesnay County Legal Counsel  $1,000
Dwyer & Miller LLP  $1,000
Law Office of Phil Goldsmith  $1,000
Hutchinson Cox Coons Prost Orloff & Sherlock PC  $1,000
Intel Corporation  $1,000
Kathryn Jackson Law  $1,000
Johnson & Sherron PC  $1,000
Drew L Johnson PC  $1,000
Kaminski & Associates LLC  $1,000
Laffy & Laffy  $1,000
Senior Judges  $1,000
Oregon State Bar  $1,000
Oregon Law Institute  $1,000
Oregon Legal Services Corporation  $33,471
Oregon Court of Appeals  $22,660
Dunn Carney Allen Higgins & Tongue PC  $11,056
Timothy J Calderbank  $10,500
Stephen H Buckley  $10,500
Larry A Brisbee  $7,150
Barry P Caplan  $6,753
John Millner  $6,655
Gary Schubert & Baser  $6,405
Voters of the Association of Oregon Women Lawyers  $3,350
Hoffman Hart & Wagner LLP  $2,200
Oregon Court of Appeals  $1,500
Oregon Legal Services Corporation  $1,400
Oregon Department of Justice  $1,300
• Harrang Long Gary Rudnick PC  $1,260
Oregon Court of Appeals  $1,260
Barry La Vine  $1,200
Law Offices of Judy Snyder  $1,100
Law Offices of Jeff Wihtol  $1,100
Evans & Coons-Mitchell  $1,100
Vanderbilt Hoaxer Bailey PC  $1,000
Fos, Inc.  $9,405
Southwest Lending  $9,075
Bill Janik LLP  $8,665
Pakeman Real Estate Courts  $8,037
Oregon Legal Services Corporation  $7,750
Larry A Brisbee  $7,750
John Millner  $7,750
Charles Corrigan  $7,700
Governor Ted Kulongoski & J Kurt Kraemer  $7,700
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Susan O’ Keating  $7,700
Karnopp Petersen LLP  $7,700
Gaylord Eyerman Paycer PC  $7,700
Hugfand Kelly Horrograms Jones & Wilder LLP  $7,700
Jackson County Bar Association  $7,700
Green & Markley PC  $7,700
Brashe & Stockton LLC  $7,700
Bingel Mills Schumen Gering & Bingel LLP  $7,700
Lindsay Hart Neig & Weiler LLP  $7,700
Landefy Bennett Blumstein LLP  $7,700
• Keendet & Runstein LLP  $7,700
Huskey Lynch & Re PC  $7,700
Marion County Bar Association  $7,700
Oregon Court of Appeals  $7,700
Hoffman Hart & Wagner LLP  $7,700

• Additional Contributions were made to the Oregon Access to Justice Endowment Fund
The Oregon Access to Justice Endowment Fund provides individuals an opportunity to affirm the ideals of democracy and the promise of fair treatment under the law. Gifts and bequests to the Endowment Fund, in addition to gifts to the Campaign for Equal Justice’s annual fund, will grow to be a source of perpetual, stable support for Oregon’s legal aid programs and a lasting legacy for endowment donors.

TO DATE, INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ENDOWMENT FUND EXCEED $720,000
REGIONAL EVENTS

Jackson County Winetasting

In September, the Center for Nonprofit Legal Services, The Campaign for Equal Justice and the Endowment Fund hosted a wine tasting at the Roxy Ann Winery in Medford. More than eighty attorneys, spouses, staff, volunteers and representatives of sister agencies attended. Speakers at the event included William Leever, President of the Center for Nonprofit Legal Services Board, Debra FJ. Lee, CNPLS Director, attorney Carl Brophy and Campaign and Endowment Executive Director, Sandy Hansberger.

Lane County Reception

On November 15th, the Campaign for Equal Justice and Lane County legal aid programs hosted a reception at the University of Oregon School of Law’s Morse Commons. Some sixty-five lawyers, legal aid supporters and law students with an interest in legal services attended. Laird Kirkpatrick, law school Dean and attorney Marc Perrin of the Lane County Bar Association welcomed the group. Laurence Hamblen and John Van Lordingham IV of Lane County Legal Aid Services and Lane County Law and Advocacy gave updates on legal services in the region. Judge David Schuman of the Oregon Court of Appeals spoke about the significance of equal access to justice for our legal system.

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Laf-off, a legal aid fundraiser organized by Fios and friends, launched the 2005 Campaign in September. Nine lawyer-comics competed for the title of ‘King of Comedy’ before a distinguished panel of judges. Linda Gast, director and sole legal aid attorney for Lincoln County, did the home team proud.

“I wanted to give you a feel for what our job is like.” Picking up the phone to take a client call, Gast demonstrated how to screen for eligibility.

“The water’s backing up in the toilet and the ceiling light is sparking! First I have to ask you a few questions. I need to know your gross income, yeah, that’s before taxes. Okay, so if you had any income, you’d get a real lawyer. I need to ask about property. Do you have more than one car? I see, If you had a car, you’d get the hell out of there.”

Attorney Emily Simon won the coveted rubber chicken award with a medley of satirical songs about the law and modern times.

Contestant Linda Gast

Master of Ceremonies Kerry Tymchuk and Contestant Robert Slachter

Laf-off Judges: Gert Boyle, Columbia Sportswear CEO, Hon Julie Frantz, Hon Rives Kistler, and Hon Anna Brown

Photographer: Mike Renfrow
Thank you. Your support enables legal programs to serve clients throughout the state and keep the promise of access to justice viable in Oregon.

OREGON TRIAL LAWYERS ASSOCIATION
Sustainer: contributions of $251-$999
Major Donor: contributions of $1,000 and above

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Legal Services Corporation 3,444,687
Campaign for Equal Justice 574,273
Filing Fees 4,052,319
Oregon Law Foundation 712,709
United Way Grants 115,809
Gov. Grants & Contracts 1,521,281
Senior Law Contracts 264,686
Native American Contracts 147,907
Domestic Violence Grants 717,410
Private Foundations 379,460
Attorney Fee Awards 239,131
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CAMPAIGN FOR EQUAL JUSTICE BUDGET APRIL 1, 2005-MARCH 31, 2006

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Annual Funds & Meyer Challenge Grant $1,000,000
Contracts $25,000
Grants $90,000
Annual Luncheon $12,250
Interest & Other $1,000
Total Income $1,128,250

Expenses
Annual Fund $158,510
Education/Outreach $84,747
New Funding Initiatives & Endowment $93,041
Funds Distribution $750,000
Direct Program Grants $40,000
Total Expenses $1,126,288

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