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BEFORE THE COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT
OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

In re the Matter of

CJC No. 6284-F-148

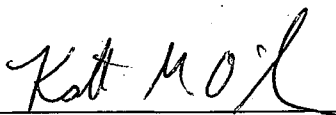
Honorable Stephen R. Shelton
Judge, Puyallup Municipal Court

**CERTIFICATE OF
COMPLETION AND ORDER**

The Commission on Judicial Conduct, pursuant to CJCRP 29(b), has considered information submitted by the Honorable Stephen R. Shelton. Based on the information considered and attached and incorporated herein, the Commission herein certifies that Judge Shelton has satisfactorily completed the terms and conditions of paragraph B.5 of the Agreement section of the Stipulation, Agreement and Order of Reprimand filed July 8, 2011.

So ordered.

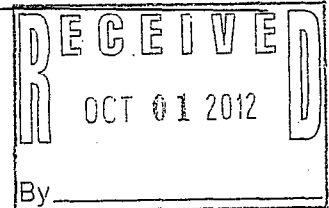
Dated this 5th day of October, 2012.


Kathleen O'Sullivan, Chair
Commission on Judicial Conduct



CITY OF PUYALLUP

Municipal Court
929 E. Main Ave. Suite 120
Puyallup, WA 98372
253/841-5450



September 26, 2012

Kathleen O'Sullivan, Presiding Officer
Commission on Judicial Conduct
P.O. Box 1817
Olympia, WA 98507

RE: "In re the Matter of: The Honorable Stephen R. Shelton, Judge of the Puyallup Municipal Court; CJC No. 6284-F-148"; Submittal of Satisfactory Completion of Training on Issues of Domestic Violence Awareness/Prevention

Dear Presiding Officer O'Sullivan:

Pursuant to Section B(6) of the Agreement included in the above-referenced case, enclosed please find two documents confirming that I successfully attended and completed the training session on September 24, 2012 entitled "Enhancing a Coordinated Response to Domestic Violence in a Court Setting" which was previously approved by the Commission's Chair: "Acknowledgment of Attendance" and "Submittal to WSBA for CLE Credits."

As I have now provided "proof of satisfactory completion of this remedial measure", I would appreciate an acknowledgement that I have fulfilled my responsibilities under the Agreement.

Sincerely,

Stephen R. Shelton
Judge

enc.

Cc: Anne Bremner, Attorney at Law
1200 Fifth Avenue, Suite 1900
Seattle, WA 98101

Steve Shelton

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From: Dittman, Pam []
Sent: Tuesday, September 25, 2012 2:48 PM
To:

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Steve Shelton;

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Subject: Certification for 9/24/2012 Training

Thank you for your participation in yesterday's training. Several of you asked for a certificate and/or acknowledgement of your attendance. Below is the information.

September 24, 2012 – 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Total Training Time – 7 hours**

Enhancing a Coordinated Response to Domestic Violence in a Court Setting

Sponsored by the Thurston County Superior Court & supported by the Washington State Supreme Court Gender & Justice Commission through VAWA Grant 2011-WF-AX-0056.

**(30 minute lunch and two 15 minute breaks (morning & afternoon) were not counted in the total training time)

Pam Dittman, Program Assistant
Gender and Justice Commission
360.704.4031
Website: http://www.courts.wa.gov/programs_orgs/gjc/?fa=gjc.home

9/25/2012

Steve Shelton

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From: Dittman, Pam []

Sent: Tuesday, September 25, 2012 1:13 PM

To: REDACTED

Shelton, "

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Steve

Subject: CLE Certification from 9/24/2012 Training

Thank you for attending the domestic violence training yesterday. Your name and bar number has been submitted to the WSBA for CLE credits. Below is information regarding the CLE for your files.
~Pam

September 24, 2012 – 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Enhancing a Coordinated Response to Domestic Violence in a Court Setting

Awarded – 6.5 CLEs

Activity ID – 321783

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9/25/2012

Reiko Callner

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From: Steve Shelton < >
Sent: Wednesday, June 06, 2012 11:46 AM
To: Reiko Callner
Subject: Re: CJC No. 6284-F-148

Ms. Callner,

I would like to attend this training and would appreciate your recommendation to the Chair for pre-approval as to the substance and timing of the training so I can complete my obligations under the Stipulation. In this regard, please note that September 24th is a Monday.

Sincerely,

Judge Stephen R. Shelton

On Wed, Jun 6, 2012 at 11:04 AM, Reiko Callner < > **REDACTED** wrote:

Thank you for your patience regarding the availability of training that will satisfy the requirements of the above-referenced case. As I advised you earlier, Thurston County Superior Court Anne Hirsch has been working on a grant to put together a day-long training for judges and court staff in the area of domestic violence. This specifically-focused training is consistent with what the Commission Chair had supported. The training will not take place until September 24, 2012 (a Wednesday). Judge Hirsch let me know yesterday afternoon she has just finalized the arrangements. She also told me there will be either a nominal fee or no fee for judicial officers. I would like to recommend this to the Chair (who could also pre-approve the date, being somewhat after the due date noted in the stipulation). I wanted to check to see if that would be acceptable to you, first, so please let me know. I believe it promises to be a very worth-while training.

Reiko Callner

Executive Director

WA State Commission on Judicial Conduct

(360) 753-4585

Reiko Callner

From: Reiko Callner
Sent: Thursday, June 07, 2012 11:28 AM
To: Katie O'Sullivan
Subject: RE: CJC Chair preapproval requested

Thank you. PS I had Nancy Smith change your title on the cover slide of the powerpoint, accordingly.

Reiko

-----Original Message-----

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From:
Sent: Thursday, June 07, 2012 7:50 AM
To: Reiko Callner
Subject: RE: CJC Chair preapproval requested

Approved.

I think I lost sight of the fact that I'm now chair since I had to miss the May meeting!

-----Original Message-----

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From: Reiko Callner
Sent: Wednesday, June 06, 2012 3:57 PM
To: O'Sullivan, Kathleen M. (Perkins Coie)
Subject: CJC Chair preapproval requested

Now that you're chair, I will be working with you on pre-approval for remedial measures ordered in stipulations.

In CJC 6284, Steven Shelton, Puyallup Municipal Court Judge, was required to do "training focused on issues of domestic violence awareness/prevention. Respondent will pay for any costs associated with this training, and agrees to have the training approved in advance by the Commission's Chair, or the Chair's designee."

Chair John Sleeter previously denied pre-approval for some programs proposed by Judge Shelton that were not especially germane. I have since been working with Judge Shelton and AOC to find training that is suitable, and Judge Hirsch in Thurston County has just finalized preparation for the day-long, judge and court-staff focused program described below. Between the AOC representative and Judge Hirsch, I feel confident the training will be worthwhile. Judge Shelton agreed, and asked that I recommend it to you, which I do. It wouldn't be completed within the one year deadline contemplated by the order, but that is not unusual. Unfortunately, remedial programs appropriate to our cases are few and far between. May I tell him you have preapproved this program?

Please call if you have any questions or concerns.

Reiko

-----Original Message-----

From: Bev Morgan [REDACTED]

Sent: Tuesday, June 05, 2012 5:32 PM
To: Reiko Callner
Subject: Fwd: SAVE THE DATE 9/24/12

From Judge Hirsch. :) Bev

>>> Bev Morgan 6/4/2012 9:14 AM >>

SAVE THE DATE! Please accept our invitation to an all day training titled "Enhancing a Coordinated Response to Domestic Violence in a Court Setting" scheduled for Monday, September 24, 2012 in Olympia, Washington. We anticipate a large turnout of judiciary, attorneys, mediators, GALs, court staff, and pro tems. We hope you will be among those attending. NOTE: This training is mandatory for Thurston County Family & Juvenile Court Pro Tems and Title 26 GALs.

This training is a collaborative effort of Washington State judicial officers, court personnel, and system advocates and the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges. It is sponsored by the Thurston County Superior Court and the Gender and Justice Commission.

A "Save the Date" flyer is attached for printing, passing along, and posting. Registration, and other information will be distributed soon. We anticipate cost will be minimal and CLE credits will be available.

In the meantime, please feel free to contact Myra Downing at

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if you have any questions. Thank you.

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