

## Services and Information Available from the Clerk's Office

The Clerk's staff does not know the answer to all questions about court rules, procedures and practices. They have been instructed not to answer questions if they do not know the correct answer.

Wahkiakum County documents are not available or visible 'on-line' nor on the web-site. The Index of Wahkiakum County Public cases are available on the Internet site: <http://www:courts.wa.gov> The case number can be used to identify the case for information which is filed in the Clerk's Office. The Clerk's Office replies to requests for information via telephone & U.S. mail.

Court staff **can** provide:

- The status of a specific case, unless the case (or information in the case) is "confidential" (not available for public inspection because of state law or a judge's decision).
- The court file on a specific case, (unless the case is "confidential,") for you to review.
- Printed general information on court rules, procedures and practices.
- Court-approved forms (forms are not available for all legal proceedings.)
- Court schedules and information on how to get matters scheduled.
- The Superior Court Facilitator can help clients with filing of paperwork on Domestic and Custody cases.
- Copies of documents upon request.

Payment for services must be paid in advance. Please see the Fee Schedule.

Court staff **cannot** provide:

- Advice about whether you should file a case or whether you should take any particular action in a case.
- Information or tell you what words to put in a form.
- Speculation about what decision the judge might make or what sentence the judge might impose.
- Comment about specific persons you may name in a petition or pleading.
- Change an order signed by a judge.
- Let you talk to a judge outside of court
- Fax filings are not accepted

### Legal advice:

Court staff provides information, not legal advice. If you need legal advice, please contact an attorney.