

# WASHINGTON STATE COURT OF APPEALS DIVISION THREE

## CASE SUMMARIES FOR ORAL ARGUMENT

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**Date of Hearing: Friday, September 18, 2020**

**Location: Spokane, 500 North Cedar**

**Video Oral Argument**

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**9:00 a.m.**

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**1) No.: 36842-4-III**

**Case Name: In re Marriage of Wilcox**

**County: Yakima**

**Case Summary:** Marina Palomarez and Matthew Wilcox divorced after a long marriage. Ms. Palomarez appeals the amount awarded to her for maintenance, the court's division of assets, the award of rent to Mr. Wilcox, and various findings of fact.

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2) **No.: 36974-9-III**

**Case Name: Teamsters Local #839 v. Benton County**

**County: Benton**

**Case Summary:** When Benton County discovered overpayments to several employees, it sought to recover the overpayment by withholding wages. The employees' union filed a complaint with the Public Employment Relations Commission, alleging unfair labor practices. The Commission agreed with the union, and the superior court affirmed. The County appeals.

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3) **No.: 37054-2-III**

**Case Name: Lincoln County v. Pub. Employment Relations Comm'n, et al.**

**County: Lincoln**

**Case Summary:** Lincoln County passed a resolution requiring all collective bargaining meetings to be open to the public. The Teamsters Local 690 disagreed with the resolution and bargaining ceased. The Public Employment Relations found both sides committed unfair labor practices and also ordered the meetings closed. The superior court affirmed. Both sides appeal.

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