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## **Spokane County District Court Website Named Among Top 10**

**SPOKANE COUNTY, February 18, 2010** – What do the Courts Service of Ireland, Singapore Subordinate Courts, and Spokane County District Court have in common? All three are named as recipients of the 2009 Top 10 Court Website Awards by the nationally recognized organization Justice Served.

According to District Court Administrator Virginia Rockwood, receiving such an honor was totally unexpected and says the credit belongs to two court staff members and the county's Information Systems Department (ISD). "Clerk of the Court John Witter, Computer Applications Specialist Wayne Miller, and the county's IS Department deserve thanks for the design and functionality of the site. In every sense, the wonderful recognition our website has received is the result of a team effort," Rockwood said.

Evaluation criteria for the award includes the ability to perform court tasks, access court forms, make financial transactions, indexing, links, ease of navigation, ease in locating the site, high impact to the public, aesthetics, recent updates, and ability for the user to leave feedback.

"Limited jurisdictions are truly the 'people's court' and Spokane offers online payments, traffic postponements, traffic 'mitigation' pleas and case/calendar indexes," Justice Served wrote about District Court's selection.

All of the 2009 Top 10 Court Websites were showcased at a recent Court Technology Seminar in Denver, Colo., sponsored by the National Center for State Courts. The complete list of the 10 courts honored can be found at [www.justiceserved.com](http://www.justiceserved.com).

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