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Hello, I am a public defender in Skagit County as a contract attorney. I have worked for public defender agencies also. I am absolutely opposed to the WDA's proposed rule changes for CrR 3.4 and CrRLJ 3.4.

Here's my reasons:

1. PD would be required to track and notify multiple client's of their court dates.
2. PD could be forced to testify against client if client misses subsequent court date and is facing a bail jump charge.

So not only does it add to the PD's burdens, but ethically it is a bad idea. Bail jump is done in Skagit Superior Court routinely and has been floated in Skagit District Court.

A better solution would be for the PD to have fewer clients so that they are not forced to continue out of custody cases so that they can handle their caseloads. This is a terrible fix and I oppose it strongly. Please do not change this rule.

Thanks. sg. WSBA 28139, 360 820 0877. Susan Goolsbee