RULE NO. 5

I. Law and Motion Calendar

A. In Skamania County the criminal motion calendar shall be heard commencing at 9:00 AM and the civil motion calendar shall be heard at 1:30 PM. Ex parte matters and adoptions will be heard at 8:30 AM in chambers. Pro se non-contested dissolutions and protection order petitions will be heard at 9:00 AM on the Friday after the criminal/civil motion day.

B. In Klickitat County the criminal and civil motion calendars shall be heard commencing at 9:30 AM. Ex parte matters and adoptions will be heard at 9:00 AM on the civil motion day in chambers. Pro se non-contested dissolutions and protection order petitions will be heard at 3:00 PM on the civil motion day.

C. Presentation of Law and Motion matters shall be limited to a hearing time of ten (10) minutes for each side. Matters requiring argument longer than above prescribed shall be scheduled on a special hearing date to be set by the Court Administrator.

D. Ex parte matters may be heard in chambers on any judicial day (preferably on Motion Days) before Court is convened or after Court is recessed. These matters need not be noted for placement on the Clerk's docket.

E. Probate matters may be submitted to the Court in chambers and shall not require testimony except as ordered by the Court upon application or as required by statute. Probate matters in which the Court is requested to find that procedural steps have been taken shall be accompanied by the Court file when presented.

(Adopted effective September 1, 1996)

F. All hearings that are to be held in courts outside of the county where the case has been filed shall be coordinated through the Klickitat/Skamania County Court Administrator. The Court Administrator shall then notify the clerk in which the case has been filed of the out-of-county hearing date and time.

(Adopted effective September 15, 2000)