

APPENDIX I

***DOMESTIC VIOLENCE MANUAL FOR JUDGES* HISTORY and AUTHORSHIP**

For more than two decades, Washington State judges, attorneys, law school professors, students, and domestic violence experts have assisted the Gender and Justice Commission with this resource manual. This appendix contains a brief history and lists all those who have reviewed, revised, recommended, written, and edited one or more sections of the *Domestic Violence Manual for Judges*. Through their work Washington State has a unique educational resource that explains the legal issues that arise in domestic violence cases and provides additional information on the complex issues that impact victims, children, and perpetrators in domestic violence cases.

The Washington State Supreme Court Gender and Justice Commission provided leadership and guidance as to both form and content of: *Domestic Violence Manual for Judges, 2015*; *Domestic Violence Manual for Judges, 2006*; *Domestic Violence Manual for Judges, 2001*; *Domestic Violence Manual for Judges, 1997*; *Domestic Violence Manual for Judges, Vol. II—Civil, 1993* and *Domestic Violence Manual for Judges, Vol. I—Criminal, 1992*.

The Commission provides the resources necessary to keep the judges' manual up to date, and revisions and updates are coordinated through its Domestic and Sexual Violence (DSV) Committee.

Portions of the first two volumes of the *Domestic Violence Manual for Judges* were adapted with permission from the model judicial education publications:¹

1. *Domestic Violence: The Crucial Role of the Judge in Criminal Court Cases. A National Model for Judicial Education* (1991), developed under the leadership of the Family Violence Prevention Fund's National Judicial Education on Domestic Violence Advisory Committee and co-authored by Janet Carter, Candace Heisler, and Nancy K.D. Lemon; and
2. *Domestic Violence in Civil Court Cases. A National Model for Judicial Education* (1992), co-authored by Janet Carter, Jill Davies, Anne L. Ganley, Ph.D., Candace Heisler, Catherine Klein, Nancy K.D. Lemon, and Leslye Orloff. Editors were Jacqueline Agtuca, Janet Carter, and Candace Heisler.

In 1997, the two volumes were combined into one manual.

In 1999, new chapters on *Domestic Violence and Rural Courts* and *Domestic Violence and Tribal Courts* were written. The production of these chapters was

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The *Domestic Violence Manual for Judges, 2001*, included the two new chapters and appendixes on perpetrator treatment, victim reluctance to testify, federal laws, and selected resource information.

In the *Domestic Violence Manual for Judges, 2006*, the substance of previous Chapter 7, *Battered Women's Syndrome*, was combined with Chapter 6, *Evidentiary Issues*. Previous Chapter 14, *Spousal Torts*, was eliminated. Chapters 7 – 14 were renumbered. Six new appendixes were added on domestic violence assessment, sexual orientation issues, collateral consequences of conviction, immigration, and international child abduction. See table of contents.

In the *Domestic Violence Manual for Judges, 2015*, previous Chapter 13, *Domestic Violence in Rural Courts*, was eliminated. One new appendix E was added on abusive litigation, and appendix F, on immigration was condensed due to the creation of recently published comprehensive desk books on the subject. See table of contents.²

In November 2022, the *Domestic Violence Manual for Judges* was updated consistent with Washington's new civil protection order statute, Chapter 7.105 RCW. Chapters 3 and 8 were significantly revised. Appendix I was updated to reflect this history and Appendix L was added regarding the Address Confidentiality Program (ACP). Additionally, Chapter 13 regarding domestic violence and tribal courts was updated.³

In 2023, Chapters 8 and 9 were updated consistent with case law and statutory changes, as well as including more current information regarding the Judicial Information System (JIS) in Chapter 9.⁴

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