



**Whatcom County Bar Association Water
Adjudication Advisory Committee**

Whatcom
County Bar
Association

March 20, 2024
Meeting Summary

Members in Attendance:

Shannon Hinchcliffe, Betsy Brinson, Jon Sitkin, Sara Frase, Gabriel D. Cantu, James Hanika, Matt Janz, Jessica Kuchan, James Stroud, Luke Phifer, Stephanie Kraft, Genissa Richardson, Kirsten Cavanaugh, and Haylee Hurst.

Others in Attendance:

Sergio Montemayor & Kate Dumas (AOC), Dan Raas, Dylan R. Hedden-Nicely, Hayley Ventoza, and Jay Weiner

Follow-up on questions:

1. WCESPR 99.30(a)(12) – Concern about the sentence, “The clerk has the discretion to later reject such a filing if it deems appropriate to do so.” *Answer is pending, the clerk’s office is reviewing circumstances in which this happens. While it happens infrequently, there are times when an attorney files a case in the wrong county – the clerk accepts the filing because the clerk does not determine the correct county to file in. The court will consider whether to retain this part of the rule based on the infrequency of the circumstance.*
2. WCESPR 99.30(b)(7) – The sentence that says, “A motion to seal by court order and the document(s) subject to the motion must be filed conventionally,” stirred a discussion amongst members. The articulated concern was that an option was made available to the filer to choose that it is confidential. *Sergio gave a demonstration of eFiling which showed the four options a filer can choose for document type. Ultimately, the clerk reviews this status and changes it if it is incorrectly chosen.*
3. WCESPR 99.30(c)(4)(ii.) – There was a question as to why the burden is on the filer to request a rejected filing to relate-back to its original filing date when the filer has corrected the filing. The suggestion was that the relate-back date of a rejected filing that has been corrected should be automatic within that time frame and the filer should not have to request it. Maybe the rule could reflect a request

process to the relate-back on the filer after re-submission after a certain period of time. *Snohomish county's current process when a claim is rejected, is not to backdate the filing when an error is corrected and resubmitted.*

4. WACSPR 99.30(f)(1)a – Concern with the sentence, “When using the ‘File and Serve’ option, service will not be completed until the filed document has been accepted by the clerk’s office.” The question posed is: Why would a document not be served when filed, but not accepted yet? *Answer is pending, initial determination about water is volume of serving filings prior to them being accepted would be a burden/possibly confusing.*
5. WACSPR 99.30(h)(1) – Why does is there a limit of 25 megabytes? *This is a system limitation, although it was recently increased. Sergio showed in the demonstration that the envelope will now take upwards of 36 megabytes but each document cannot be more than 25 megabytes. As a filer adds documents, the envelope shows how many megabytes remain.*

Questions received via email and during meeting and related discussion:

1. Once Ecology files the petition and is waiting for the court to direct the summons – or during service – will Ecology be including the contact information for all known claimants in the eFiling system? *Sergio gave a demonstration on how eFile and Serve is used by a filer, the default process is that the filer chooses and/or adds the service contacts. Currently, AOC is looking at ways to automate the process of bulk addition of service contacts to eFile and serve. Ecology's initial mailing list will not include email addresses and cannot be added from the mailing list for electronic service purposes initially.*
2. Will the system not have a full-service list until after the summons and claims forms submitted by claimants? *The system will not have any electronic service information for claimants until claimants submit it. There are various methods that could be used including an opt-in, or a required information sheet.*
3. Does the system have a central repository of information accessible to parties? *Currently, the central repository of all documents resides within Odyssey/Enterprise Justice. To access documents, a portal is configured for registration by attorneys. Those accounts require a subscription and have access to all pleadings **across case types** (not just water adjudication). AOC is currently looking at ways to assist the court and the clerk's office with making the documents and pleadings in water adjudication available to a claimant.*
4. Parties filing a claim in response to a petition for adjudication will have to pay a fee? *Yes, unless it is waived by the court. The fee is \$25 pursuant to RCW 36.18.016(17). Tribal representatives explained that tribes are not subject to filing fees pursuant to U.S. v. Idaho, 508 US 1 (1993).*

5. If someone entering their own information “designates” an attorney, will that attorney receive any sort of notification? *No, they will not receive notification, and the system will also not assign an attorney to a case simply by having a claimant designate an attorney.*
6. Is the system setting up a separate court case number per claimant? Or will all files under the same case number be regrouped to sub-proceedings? *The water adjudication will be assigned a master case number and each claim will receive a sub-case or unique case number. This configuration was due to the volume of cases and pleadings to ensure the case could be accessible and re-grouped as appropriate for the duration of the case.*

Comments received during the discussion:

1. Several comments were made in favor of using a docket sheet system to give notice of case events prior to the establishment of a service list.
2. For future discussion: Can the paper summons include instructions on accessing an electronic docket sheet for purposes of notice before a service list can be developed?

Comments received outside of the discussion:

1. What would the process look like to be added as an “other service contact” by the court/clerk’s office so a person who is interested in getting notice of the events of the case could be included prior to formally being added to the case as a representative or a party.
2. The process should have a very clearly defined formal process for opting out of electronic service, particularly in light of the amount of pro se claimants.



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March 20, 2024
Zoom Only

Whatcom County Bar Association

Purpose: To provide feedback related to Whatcom Superior Court Administration related to the procedural and administrative processes in the anticipated Nooksack WRIA 1 water adjudication.

AGENDA

<p>1. Featured Meeting Topic(s)¹: Pending questions from February meeting, and Jon Sitkin’s 03/06/24 email; Notice, docket sheet, service list, and substitution of parties’ rules and form</p>	<p>Shannon Hinchcliffe</p>
<p>A. Pending questions</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Follow up to eFiling rule questions 2. How is an NOA served on 10,000+ parties? 3. Notice and Service post-filing of Ecology’s Statement of Facts but prior to claims being filed 4. Service lists (see item E.) 	<p>All</p>
<p>B. Notice and Service in Water Adjudications</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Acquavella</i> Notice and Service Process 2. Categories of filers (paper, Guide and File, eFiling) 3. Service under CR 5, eFile and Serve 	<p>All</p>
<p>C. Creating, publishing, and maintaining an “electronic docket,” or “docket sheet”</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. <i>Acquavella</i> PTO #3 and docket/digest examples 5. Idaho’s SRBA docket sheet procedure, docket sheet example 6. Suggestions of what to be included in the docket sheet – identification of significant documents and related information 	<p>All</p>
<p>D. Substitution of Parties, Change of Ownership (CR 24 and CR 25),</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Acquavella</i> PTO #3 Continuing Duty to Update Change in Address or Ownership; <i>Acquavella</i> PTO #7 & Corresponding Motion to Adopt Form Related to Joinder of Additional Parties 2. AZ - Gila River Adj. PTO #4 3. OR - Klamath Basin Adj. CMO #13; OR - Klamath Basin Adj. Change of Ownership Form vs. Change of Address Form 4. Create a suggested form(s)? Attach copy of real estate contract or deed optional? Other feedback or concerns? 	<p>All</p>
<p>E. Service List/Court Approved Mailing List</p>	

¹ Topic sourced from areas of concern cited at January 17, 2024 committee meeting, issues list submitted for February, 21, 2024 meeting, and court’s request for feedback.

<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Examples: Gila River AZ Court Approved Mailing List, Utah Lake and Jordan River Adjudication Service Matrices, Colorado Div. 1 email request for distribution list, Klamath Basin OR Service List 2. Concerns related to creation, maintenance, and accessibility of a service/mailing list? 	
<p>General Information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • eFiling Training Webinars - April 11 @ 8 a.m. and April 12 @ noon. Webinar will be recorded; details will be sent to the court and bar association shortly. 	
<p>Identified Procedural and Administrative Topics by the Court</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Court Rules • Objection Form (and the need for other standardized forms) • Remote Proceedings • Service Lists and other published website information • Other issues identified by the court or committee members 	
<p>Next Meeting: Wednesday, April 17, 2024 @ 9:00 a.m.</p>	



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February 21, 2024
Meeting Summary

**Agenda, Materials and email to members to focus discussion that were distributed to committee are attached to this summary.*

Members in Attendance:

Shannon Hinchcliffe, Betsy Brinson, Bob Carmichael, Bridget Bryck, Charles Hurt, Jon Sitkin, Sara Frase, Dominique Zervas, Gabriel D. Cantu, James Hanika, Matt Janz, Jessica Kuchan, Jonathan Charnitski, James Stroud, Kristen Cavanaugh, Luke Phifer, Stephanie Kraft, Peter Spoerl, and Sallye Quinn.

Others in Attendance:

Emily Arend & Kate Dumas (AOC), Dan Raas, Dylan R. Hedden-Nicely, Hayley Ventoza, Jay Weiner, and Rio Rodrigues.

1A & 1B brief discussion of choice of vehicle pre-trial/case management orders vs. local court rules and the nature of their flexibility to respond to changes within a case.

Members were asked to review listed orders and rules that were hyperlinked to the agenda prior to the meeting.

1C Review of Recently Adopted Whatcom County Superior Court Rules,

Discussion was specifically related to WCSPR 99.30. Committee member Jonathan Charnitski has used eFiling in different jurisdictions in Texas and agreed to provide a review and feedback. *Highlighted portions of the rule that are questioned will be attached to the summary.* Jonathan provided high level discussion points where he found issues and offered to work on a proposed red-line in the future. The following include the areas of concern:

1. WCSPR 99.30(a)(12) – There is concern about the sentence, “The clerk has the discretion to later reject such a filing if it deems appropriate to do so.” This ability for the clerk to reject a filing after accepting it causes uncertainty and it would be helpful to clarify what circumstances would cause such a rejection after acceptance.

2. WCESPR 99.30(b)(6) – The comment was that language throughout (6) seems to either be conflicting or unclear.
 - a. (b)(6)a – There is a question as to whether pro se litigants who are attorneys are required to use the eFiling system, and what the requirements are for attorneys licensed out of state.
 - b. (b)(6)a – There is a question or confusion about the statement that a self-represented party who elects to file and serve has to continue to use it unless they submit a motion to withdraw their consent.. This appears as possibly conflicting with (b)(6)d which allows self-represented parties to file documents in-person to the court clerk.
 - c. (b)(7) – The sentence that says “A motion to seal by court order and the document(s) subject to he motion must be filed conventionally” stirred a discussion amongst members. First, the response is that in eFiling that generally there is typically an option to designate a filing that contains non-public information. (*Shannon to check with eFiling to see if the water adjudication case configuration has this option*). Some members discussed that they could not anticipate a circumstance that would require sealing and offered that this line should be removed in order to reduce confusion.
 - d. (c)(4)(ii.) – Question as to why the burden is on the filer to request, upon resubmission within 3 business days, for the filing to relate back to the original filing date. The relate-back should be automatic within that time frame. Maybe the rule could reflect a request process to the relate-back on the filer after re-submission after a certain period of time.
 - e. (f)(1)a – Concern with the sentence, “When using the File and Serve option, service will not be completed until the filed document has been accepted by the clerk’s office.” The question posed is why would a document not be served when filed, but not accepted yet?
 - f. (f)(1)c and (g)(3) – There appears to be a conflict about self-represented filers opting-in and opting-out of electronic consent. This needs to be reviewed and consistently applied.
 - g. There is an overall concern that self-represented filers will be confused and will need assistance in understanding their options, as well as filing, and serving.
 - h. (h)(1) – Comments that the emergency rule wasn’t OCR’d. Additionally, there is concern that people may not know how to complete the process themselves, and to require it would potentially be a barrier to filing. Also, the limitation of 25 megabytes is a possible concern related to filing things like maps, scans, historic documents that will take more space and this is a compounded problem when requiring everything be in the same document instead of the same envelope.
 - i. (h)(2)a – Asks a clarifying question about the requirement that a filer that submits a document requiring the court’s signature make sure that it is a

separate electronically filed document from the motion. The clarifying question is whether this requires a separate document within the same filing or a separate filing.

- j. (h)(2)b – Again the confidential document questions should be reviewed to see if it is necessary in this case.

Several members thanked Jonathan for his detailed review and Shannon asked for any additional comments, should members have them after this meeting, be forwarded to the entire committee to include in the meeting summary.

1D. Preservation/Perpetuation of Testimony

Brief discussion of *Acquavella* PTO #3 language, and CR 27 petition elements. Several questions were posed including: do the elements of CR 27(1)(A)-(E) in a petition to the court after the water adjudication is already pending; whether members would prefer this to be included in an order vs. a court rule and why; whether the process should include the issuance of court orders vs the process outlined in *Acquavella*; and what the response time to object to; or be included in, the process should be; and whether it would be helpful to have a monthly cutoff for petitions and subsequent deadlines for objections (like Gila River PTO #2). The following represents general and specific comments given by committee members:

- The process should be clear, simple, and user-friendly.
- The most important thing is to ensure transparency and allows for the opportunity to object.
- Some members leaned more towards *Acquavella*-type language than an adaptation of CR 27.
- Members prefer a longer objection period either 21 or 30 days.
- Notice and service discussions are critical to ensure this, and any other rule or order within the case are as transparent as possible.

Other comments related to this discussion but not specific to CR 27 included:

- Members discussed the anticipated requests for perpetuation of testimony (depositions and interrogatories) vs. the submissions of declarations. A committee member that works with the Dept. Ecology offered that one anticipated series of events is that a claim will be presented, Ecology will submit its report in response, the claimant will either disagree or agree with Ecology's report, and then the claim will be uncontested (towards settlement) or contested and move forward in the process. Subsequent discussion was had on whether there is an opportunity to object to a claim prior to Ecology's report or if people would have to wait for Ecology's report to make an objection and then asked when discovery would occur. One opinion was that discovery would make sense to start *after* Ecology's report but further discussion was not continued on whether others agreed, disagreed, or had a specific opinion.

1 E Issue List and Prioritization of Issues

Eight minutes remained when this discussion began. Members were encouraged to voice the issues that they are concerned with and either raising them in the meeting or sending them to the group to be added to the list. We also have the issues that were identified in the January meeting.

- One member asked whether the court, or some entity, would maintain a service list (Bankruptcy was given as an example).
- One member mentioned it may be helpful to have further discussions on the use of pre-trial/case management orders vs. local court rules.

Shannon will do some follow up outreach to capture additional issues from members and the court.

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Shannon- A question for the AOC, the local courts, and Ecology that I think would be informative for committee members and other attorneys is to how is a Notice of Appearance to be served with 10K+ parties.

I am sure you and the courts are thinking about this. I would encourage the Courts to propose a rule to this committee or for the committee to outline the issues for a rule addressing filing and service of a Notice of Appearance where there are upwards of 10k+ parties.

Given that Ecology has indicated that an April filing and service of the Petition for Adjudication, I anticipate that attorneys will be seeking to file and serve a notice of appearance shortly after filing.

Also, for Ecology .. will Ecology be providing the courts and or make available its service list electronically?

This could be a good topic at the next committee meeting.

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF YAKIMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE DETERMINATION)
OF THE RIGHTS TO THE USE OF THE)
SURFACE WATERS OF THE YAKIMA RIVER)
DRAINAGE BASIN, IN ACCORDANCE WITH)
THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 90.03,)
REVISED CODE OF WASHINGTON,)

NO. 77-2-01484-5

PRE-TRIAL ORDER NO. 3

THE STATE OF WASHINGTON,)
DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY,)

RE: NOTICE PROCEDURES
AND OTHER PRE-TRIAL
MATTERS

Plaintiff,)

v.)

JAMES J. ACQUAVELLA, et al.,)

Defendants.)

WHEREAS, the Court finds that this action involves an unusually large number of
defendants and an unusually long period of time to complete, and

WHEREAS, the Court finds that providing the required notice under the civil rules
by a party to all other parties in this matter is burdensome upon an individual party,
and

WHEREAS, the Court finds that some form of notice to all parties should be
reasonably calculated to apprise all parties of the activities herein, now therefore,

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BETTY MCGILLEN, YAKIMA COUNTY CLERK

1 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

2 1.

3 Geographic Divisions. The geographic area of the adjudication shall be divided
4 into thirty-one (31) subbasins as shown in Exhibit A attached hereto for purposes of
5 administration.

6 2.

7 a. Notice. Plaintiff-state shall establish and maintain a notification
8 procedure for and under the supervision of this Court to provide notice to each
9 attorney and party of record desiring such notice. Matters to be contained within
10 such notice shall include each significant document filed with the Court by document
11 description, document sponsor, and the date of filing. Other matters, such as trial
12 dates, times and locations shall also be included in such notice.

13 Plaintiff-state shall mail, postage prepaid, a copy of the above notice on the
14 first working day of each month to each attorney and party of record at their address
15 of record.

16 All parties and their representatives will be sent the notice on a periodic
17 basis. Parties who do not want to receive their notice may request that all such
18 notices be stopped and that they be dismissed from the case. Parties who want to
19 receive only that notice pertaining to their respective subbasin may request that
20 notice be so limited. A form will be provided which allows a party to elect to waive
21 notice as described above. This waiver is voluntary and a party is not required to
22 make any election. Such waiver shall become effective upon filing with the Court.

23 b. Civil Rules May Apply. Parties who are identified in a document who are
24 required or allowed to do an act within a specified time shall be given notice from
25 the proponent as provided by the Superior Court Civil Rules. Where the Civil Rules do
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1 not require notice to all other parties, notice need not be given as provided under
2 paragraph 2.a. above.

3 3.

4 Party Responsibilities. It shall be the responsibility of each party, and their
5 representative, if any, to review the documents which have been listed within the
6 notice provided. The documents shall be available for inspection and review at the
7 Yakima County Superior Court.

8 4.

9 Time. Because of the large number of defendants, the Court hereby enlarges the
10 time for notice to be given or an act to be required or allowed to be done with a
11 specified time before trial to thirty (30) calendar days after the mailing of the
12 notice as provided above.

13 5.

14 Perpetuation of Testimony. A party desiring to take the deposition of any person
15 for the purpose of perpetuation of testimony shall first file information with the
16 Court, directed to the referee, designating or describing the persons whose deposi-
17 tions may be taken and specifying the subject matter of the examination, the available
18 dates, places, time, and whether the deposition shall be taken upon oral examination
19 or written interrogatories. The referee shall then cause notice to be published as
20 provided in paragraph 2.a. above. Any party desiring to attend the deposition shall,
21 within ten working days from the date of mailing of the notice, request that the
22 referee include such party in the deposition schedule. Thereafter, the referee shall
23 provide for notices of the deposition schedule to such interested parties. Any party
24 who does not request inclusion within the deposition schedule shall be deemed to have
25 waived any objection to the admission of the deposition into evidence.

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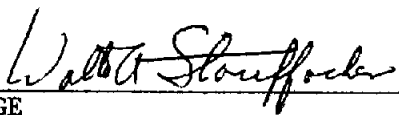
Continuing Duty. It shall be the continuing duty of all parties and their representatives, if any, to inform the Court and other parties or representatives in writing of any change in their mailing address, transfers or changes in ownership, changes in representatives, and any other such matter through the notice procedures established herein.

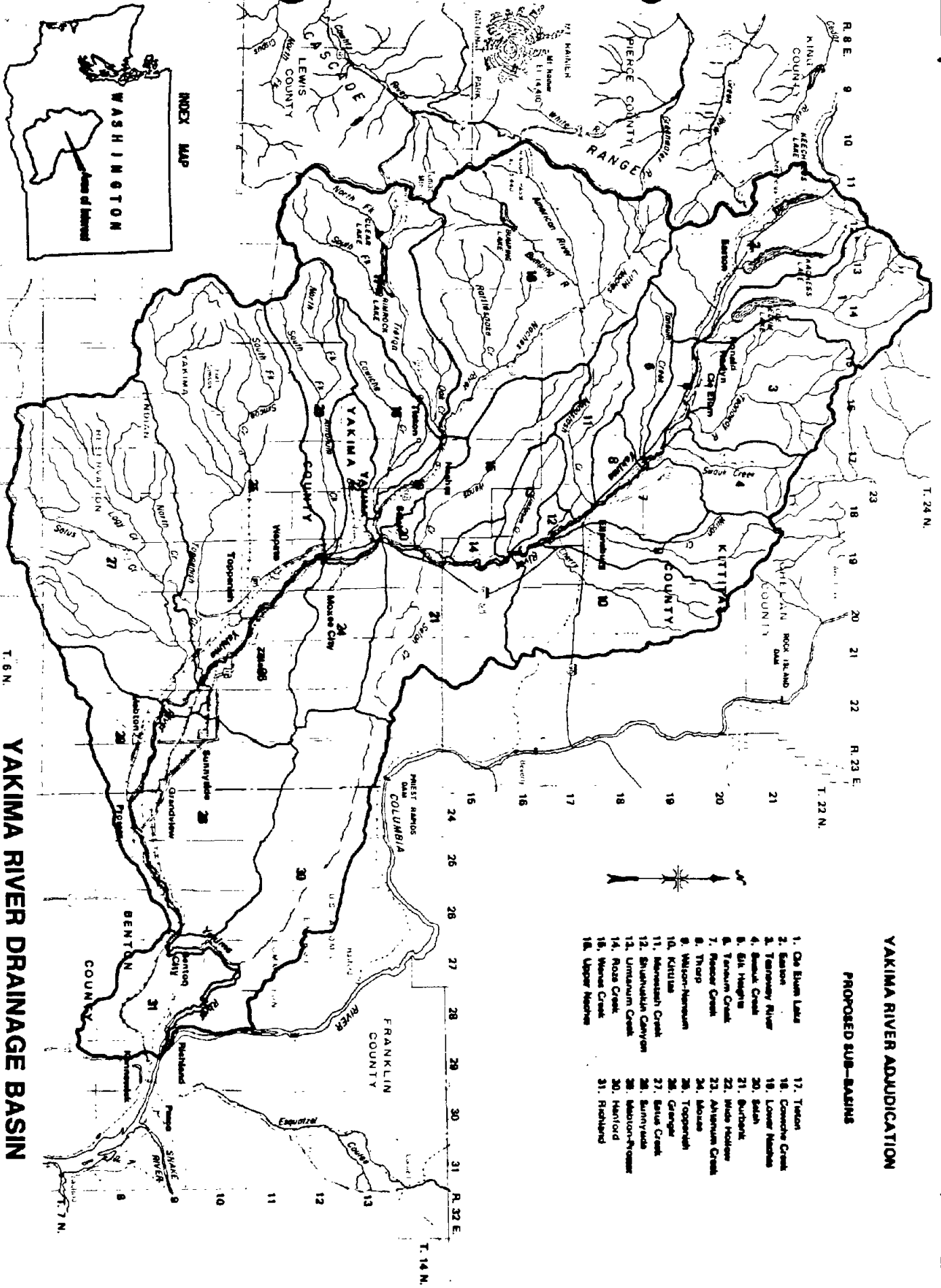
If any party or representative should fail to provide the foregoing information, such party or representatives shall be deemed to have waived any notice or receipt of information relative to any interest in the proceeding herein during such period.

7.

The plaintiff herein shall provide a copy of this order to all parties or their counsel of record.

DATED this 18th day of April, 1985.


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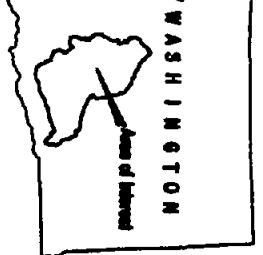


YAKIMA RIVER ADJUDICATION

PROPOSED SUB-BASINS

- 1. Co Egan Lake
- 2. Easton
- 3. Tenney River
- 4. Snake Creek
- 5. Six Meigs
- 6. Tenney Creek
- 7. Pioneer Creek
- 8. Troop
- 9. Wilson-Nevins
- 10. Kittitas
- 11. Mansfield Creek
- 12. Shoshone Canyon
- 13. Umatum Creek
- 14. Ross Creek
- 15. Meade Creek
- 16. Upper Neches
- 17. Turton
- 18. Concrete Creek
- 19. Lower Neches
- 20. Selah
- 21. Burbank
- 22. Wild Peckers
- 23. Ahrens Creek
- 24. Moxie
- 25. Toppenish
- 26. Granger
- 27. Satus Creek
- 28. Sarnyada
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- 30. Sarnyada
- 31. Richland

YAKIMA RIVER DRAINAGE BASIN



YAKIMA RIVER BASIN

WATER RIGHTS ADJUDICATION

MAY 2 1985

NOTICE

May 1, 1985

No. 1

TO ALL PARTIES AND ATTORNEYS OF RECORD:

This notice is published monthly pursuant to Pre-Trial Order No. 3 filed April 19, 1985 by Judge Walter A. Stauffacher of the Yakima County Superior Court in the matter of the State of Washington, Department of Ecology, Plaintiff v. James J. Acquavella, et al., Defendants, Cause Number 77-2-01484-5.

This notice will be mailed on the first working day of each month to inform you about significant documents that have been filed at the Yakima County Superior Court in conjunction with this case. The notice will also contain information concerning trial dates, times, and locations. If there is no activity during the previous month, no notice will be sent.

All documents listed will be available for viewing or copying at the Yakima County Clerk's Office; North 2nd & East B Streets; Yakima, Washington. Office hours are between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. - Monday thru Friday. There is a fee for each page copied.

Documents filed with the Court on or before the 22nd day of each month will be included in the monthly notice mailed on the first working day of the next month. If the 22nd falls on a holiday or weekend, the last day for filing would be the next business day. Documents filed after that date will be included in the following month's notice.

The Court has increased the response period to thirty (30) days after notification for matters which, under the civil rules, require notice to all parties. Because of this, all parties should be aware that documents filed on or after the 23rd of the month may not be acted upon for over two months after their filing. Consequently, it may be important to file all documents on or before the 22nd day of each month.

Significant Documents Filed at the Yakima County Superior Court
Between February 6, 1985 and April 22, 1985

Table with 4 columns: DOC. #, Date Filed, Document Description, Sponsor. Rows include documents 2747, 2748, 2749, and 2751 with their respective details.

DOC. #	Date Filed	Document Description	Sponsor
2752	03-12-85	Memorandum Opinion Re: Motion to Join Parties or Dismiss the United States	Walter A. Stauffacher, Judge
2753	03-25-85	United States' Supplement to Oral Argument in Support of its Opposition to Motions for Partial Summary Judgment and Summary Judgment	Charles E. O'Connell, Jr.
2754	04-18-85	United States' Motion for Clarification	Charles E. O'Connell, Jr.
2755	04-18-85	Memorandum of the United States in Support of Motion for Clarification	Charles E. O'Connell, Jr.
2756	04-19-85	Notice of Presentation of Proposed Orders	Charles B. Roe, Jr.
2758	04-19-85	Pre-Trial Order No. 3 Re: Notice Procedures and other Pre-Trial Matters	Walter A. Staffacher, Judge

CALENDAR

1985

June 7

Presentation of Proposed Orders by State of Washington, Department of Ecology (Plaintiff). Re: (1) United States Motion to Join Parties or Dismiss the United States, and (2) Robert C. Abrahamson's Motion to Dismiss Complaint and Motion for Partial Summary Judgment (Bergland Lake). Yakima County Superior Court, Yakima County Courthouse, North 2nd & East B Streets, Yakima, Washington - 9:30 a.m.

Department of Ecology
 Adjudication Section
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ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

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YAKIMA RIVER BASIN

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WATER RIGHTS ADJUDICATION

NOTICE

CLERK OF
COURT
YAKIMA COUNTY WASHINGTON

April 1, 1987

No. 24

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Significant Documents Filed at the Yakima County Superior Court
Between February 20, 1987 and March 23, 1987

Doc. #	Date Filed	Document Description	Sponsor
3265	2-20-87	Notice of Appearance Re: Claimants Raymond E. and Myrtle E. Spratt (Claim No. 0196)	Kevin S. Kirkevold, Attorney at Law
3266	2-20-87	Objection to Recommendation of Plaintiff: Claim No. 0944 - Re: Claimant Estate of James A. Sprick (Claim No. 0944)	Kevin S. Kirkevold, Attorney at Law
3267	2-20-87	Objection to Recommendation of Plaintiff: Claim No. 0196 - Re: Claimants Raymond E. and Myrtle E. Spratt (Claim No. 0196)	Kevin S. Kirkevold, Attorney at Law
3268	2-20-87	Letter Objecting to Recommendation of Plaintiff and Amending Statement of Claim - Re: Claimants Charles E. Chase (Claim No. 1825) and Gerald D. Chase (Claim No. 1241)	Charles E. Chase and Gerald D. Chase
3269	2-20-87	Objection of Theodore W. Mellotte and Wanda E. Mellotte (Claim No. 3214) to Claim of Jerry R. McCully and Sally T. McCully (Claim No. 0946)	Theodore W. Mellotte
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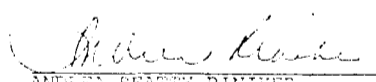
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CALENDAR

March 30, 1987 - Hearing on the merits and issues of claims included within Subbasin No. 16 -
April 8, 1987 Yakima County Superior Court, Courtroom 313, North Second and East "B" Streets,
Yakima, Washington

	ACCEPTANCE OF SERVICE	CLERK'S STAMP
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2	IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF YAKIMA	
3	IN THE MATTER OF THE DETERMINATION)	
4	OF THE RIGHTS TO THE USE OF THE)	
5	SURFACE WATERS OF THE YAKIMA RIVER)	
6	DRAINAGE BASIN, IN ACCORDANCE WITH)	No. 77-2-01484-5
7	THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 90.03,)	DESIGNATION OF
8	REVISED CODE OF WASHINGTON,)	REFEREE
9	THE STATE OF WASHINGTON,)	
10	DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY,)	
11	Plaintiff,)	
12	v.)	
13	JAMES J. ACQUAVELLA, et al.,)	
14	Defendants.)	
15	TO: Clerk of the Superior Court of Yakima County	
16	In accordance with the Order of Reference dated July 6,	
17	1984, signed by Judge Walter A. Stauffacher, I hereby appoint	
18	William R. Smith as my duly authorized deputy, as Referee, to	
19	perform as directed in said Order of the Court.	
20	DATED this <u>16th</u> day of March, 1987.	
21	 ANDREA BEATTY RINIKER Director, Department of Ecology	
22	KENNETH O. EKENBERRY, ATTORNEY GENERAL Charles B. Roe, Jr. Senior Assistant Attorney General Attorney General's Office Ecology Division, Mail Stop PV-11 Olympia, WA (360) 452-6162	

On March 16, 1987, William R. Smith of Yakima was appointed by Department of Ecology Director, Andrea Beatty Riniker, as Referee in the Yakima River Basin Water Rights Adjudication. Referee Smith will replace David A. Akana who was appointed to the position of Referee on July 10, 1984. Mr. Akana resigned as Referee to accept a position with the state Board of Tax Appeals in Olympia.

Referee Smith was introduced by Yakima County Superior Court Judge Walter A. Stauffacher prior to the start of the Subbasin No. 16 Prehearing Conference which was held on March 17, 1987. Based on Referee Smith's comprehensive background in previous water rights adjudications, the Judge commented that he anticipates no delays in processing the case due to the change in referees.

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Defendants.

No. 77-2-01484-5

PRETRIAL ORDER NO. 7

This matter comes before the court for hearing, after proper notice, on the motion of the Plaintiff State of Washington, Department of Ecology, requesting approval for use in this proceeding of forms entitled "Motion to be Joined as Additional Party Defendant, and Affidavit in Support of Motion" and "Order Granting Motion to be Joined as Additional Party Defendant" and related "Instructions" and the court, having reviewed the same, heard from counsel and being fully

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aforedescribed form and Instructions for use in this proceeding.

ENTERED this 18th day of May 1988.

Walter Stauffocher
JUDGE

Presented by:

Charles B. Roe, Jr.
CHARLES B. ROE, JR.
Sr. Assistant Attorney General
Attorney for Plaintiff
State of Washington
Department of Ecology
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Defendants.)

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MOTION REQUESTING
APPROVAL OF FORM AND
RELATED INSTRUCTIONS
PERTAINING TO JOINDER
OF ADDITIONAL PARTIES

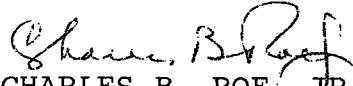
The Plaintiff, State of Washington, Department of Ecology respectfully moves the court to enter an order approving (1) the attached proposed forms entitled "Motion to be Joined as Additional Party Defendant and Affidavit in Support of Motion," and "Order Granting Motion to be Joined as Additional Party Defendant," and (2) related "Instructions." These three documents are attached hereto.

The entry of such an order will, in the view of the

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Plaintiff, promote a more efficient and effective processing of this case.

DATED this 30th day of April, 1988.


CHARLES B. ROE, JR.
Sr. Assistant Attorney General
Attorney for Plaintiff
State of Washington
Department of Ecology

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Plaintiff,
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Defendants.

No. 77-2-01484-5

**MOTION TO BE JOINED AS
ADDITIONAL PARTY DEFENDANT,
AND
AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT
OF MOTION**

MOTION

Movant requests the Court to add Movant's name(s) to the Claim set forth in paragraph 2, and moves the Court to enter the attached Order. In support thereof, Movant is the purchaser of real property, including water rights that are subject to this Court's jurisdiction, and states the following:

1. MOVANT's Name(s) _____

Mailing Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Telephone (____) _____
2. MOVANT has interest in the claim(s) of the following DEFENDANT(CLAIMANT):
DEFENDANT(CLAIMANT) name(s) _____

Mailing Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Telephone (____) _____
Court Claim No. (if known) _____

INSTRUCTIONS FOR
SUGGESTED FORMS TO ADD MOVANT AS ADDITIONAL PARTY

Attached are suggested forms of MOTION AND AFFIDAVIT and proposed ORDER for use to change the court records to show the identity of the new owner of property for which the previous owner has filed a water right claim in this action.

Procedure

1. After the MOTION AND AFFIDAVIT have been signed in the presence of a Notary Public, the original (including the proposed ORDER) must be filed with the Clerk's office either in person or by mailing it to:

Clerk
Yakima County Superior Court
North 2nd and East B Streets
Yakima, WA 98901

2. Notice of filing of the MOTION will be published in the monthly Notice as provided in Pre-Trial Order No. 4.

If there is an objection, the MOTION will be considered at a hearing at a date set by the Judge.

If no objection to the MOTION is filed with the Clerk within thirty (30) days after publication in the Monthly Notice, the proposed ORDER will be signed by the Court and filed in the Court's case file.

3. After the ORDER becomes effective, all future Notices will be attempted to be mailed to both the original Defendant (Claimant) and to the additional party (MOVANT).
4. You may want to attach to your MOTION a copy of the real estate purchase contract or deed setting forth the legal description and draw a map showing the point of diversion from the natural sources.

These forms are suggested forms only.

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THE STATE OF WASHINGTON,
DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY,

Plaintiff,

v.

JAMES J. ACQUAVELLA, et al.,

Defendants.

No. 77-2-01484-5

MOTION TO
JOIN ADDITIONAL PARTIES
OR SUBSTITUTE PARTIES

I. DEFENDANT (Claimant) has filed one or more claims in this action and states the following:

- (A) Claimant Name Orma Nevue (DEPT 5117)
- (B) Claimant Address 4504 W. Lincoln Yakima Wn 98901
- (C) Telephone No. (509) 966-7471
- (D) Date Claim filed with Court (if known) _____
- (E) Court Claim No. (if known) 2033

II. CLAIMANT states that the following person has succeeded to (Circle one)

ALL / A PORTION of the claim(s) filed by Claimant:

- (A) Successor's Name Pete Heim (ASG 136)
- (B) Successor's Address 203 S. 74 Ave. Yakima, Wn 98908
- (C) Telephone No. (509) 965-1414

(DO NOT complete Section II.E. unless you have circled "A PORTION" in Section II.A. above.)

(E) Portion of claimed water rights involved:

(1) Claimed water right description:*

(a) Point of Diversion being within _____¹/₄ _____¹/₄ _____¹/₄, Sec. _____,
T. _____ N., R. _____ E. Willamette Meridian.

*This is a suggested form. Other legal description may be used if appropriate.

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1 (b) Place of Use of Water _____ Acres _____¹/₄ _____¹/₄ _____¹/₄, Sec. _____,
2 T. _____ N., R. _____ E. Willamette Meridian.

3 (c) Purpose of Use:
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6 (2) If more than one portion of a claimed water right is involved in the transfer,
7 describe other portions of claimed rights below:
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13 III. CLAIMANT consents to the substitution or addition of parties as to the water rights
14 claimed as described in Section II above, and moves the Court to enter the appended Order.
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16 * IV. AFFIDAVIT OF CLAIMANT:
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18 STATE OF WASHINGTON)
19 COUNTY OF Yakima) ss.

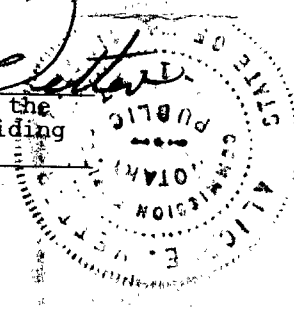
20 I, Erma Neve, being first duly sworn, depose and say that I have read
21 the above and foregoing Motion To Join Additional Parties or Substitute Parties, that I
22 know the contents thereof, and that the facts therein stated are true.

23 IN WITNESS THEREOF I have hereunto set by hand this 12th day of October 1986

24 Erma E. Neve
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26 SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 12th day of October 1986
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28 Alice E. Carter
29 NOTARY PUBLIC in and for the
30 State of Washington, residing
31 at Yakima
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Yakima Wash.

April 6, 1987

County Clerk

I would, please, like
to have this recorded.

Thank you

Orma Neve

Orma E. Neve
4504 W. Lincoln Avenue
Yakima, Wash. 98908

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THE STATE OF WASHINGTON, DEPARTMENT OF)
ECOLOGY,)

ORDER SUBSTITUTING PARTY

Plaintiff,)

vs.)

JAMES J. ACQUAVELLA, et al.,)

Defendants.)

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THE ABOVE MATTER coming on for hearing this day and it appearing to the court
that Virginia L. VanReenen has been substituted as a party by David Bachmann
relative to court claim no. 0352 and the court being fully advised in the premises,
now therefore, it is hereby

ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that David Bachmann be and he hereby is
substituted as a party defendant for the said Virginia VanReenen.

DATED this ~~9TH~~ day of April, 1987.

Walter A. Stauffacher

J U D G E

Presented by:

Randall L. Marquis

RANDALL L. MARQUIS
OF MARTIN & MARQUIS, INC., P.S.
Attorney for David Bachmann

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Order Substituting Party

MARTIN & MARQUIS INC., P.S.
ATTORNEYS AT LAW
1016 LARSON BUILDING
YAKIMA, WA 98901-2665
(509) 248-2475

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MARICOPA

IN RE THE GENERAL ADJUDICATION OF
ALL RIGHTS TO USE WATER IN THE
GILA RIVER SYSTEM AND SOURCE

W-1 (Salt)
W-2 (Verde)
W-3 (Upper Gila)
W-4 (San Pedro)
Consolidated

PRETRIAL ORDER NO. 4
RE: NOTIFICATION AND
CORRECTION OF ADDRESS
CHANGES

Pursuant to the authority vested in this Court by Section 45-259, ARIZ. REV. STAT., and Rule 16(b) of the Arizona Rules of Civil Procedure, the Court hereby enters the following order concerning changes in claimants' address:

1. Official Adjudication Claimant Database.

The Arizona Department of Water Resources (ADWR) preserves a computerized database consisting of information extracted from the original statement of claimant forms. The Department also maintains a second computer database of the original records updated over the years by amendment and assignment forms. This second database (currently maintained in the "Access" database program) shall be denominated the Official Adjudication Claimant Database, listing persons who are parties to the Gila River adjudication. Changes to this database shall be made only to incorporate new information submitted on duly executed statement of claimant, assignment, and amendment forms received in the

1 future. Changes may also be made upon Court order. The Department shall ensure
2 that a back-up copy of this database is stored off-site.

3 2. Obligation of Claimant to Notify ADWR.

4 A. Any person who has filed a statement of claimant in this
5 adjudication shall notify the Arizona Department of Water Resources (ADWR) of
6 any of the following changes in or concerning that person's statement of claimant
7 form: (1) a change in that person's address; (2) an assignment of the statement of
8 claimant form to another person; (3) a transfer to another person of all or part of the
9 land for which a water right has been claimed; and (4) a transfer to another person of
10 all or part of the water right claimed, if the claimed water right has been severed and
11 transferred to another parcel of land.

12 B. Notice of any of the changes identified in paragraph (A), *above*,
13 shall be filed with ADWR within thirty (30) days of the change using a form
14 approved by the Court.

15 C. Any new use summons issued pursuant to Order Allowing New
16 Use Statements of Claimant (June 2, 1988) shall include the requirements described
17 in paragraphs 2(A) and (B), *above*.

18 D. The Department shall prepare one or more forms to be used in
19 reporting the changes described in paragraphs 2(A) and (B), *above*, along with
20 necessary instructions. These forms and instructions will be approved by the Court
21 before they are made available by the Department.

22 3. Authority of ADWR to Correct Addresses.

23 The Arizona Department of Water Resources is authorized to correct the
24 address of a claimant in the adjudication, by making the necessary changes to the

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Official Adjudication Claimant Database (as that term is defined on page 7 of the Special Master’s Report of Dec. 1, 1999, subsequently approved by the Court), when the claimant’s address has changed as the result of numbering or renumbering by postal authorities of the claimant’s original address.

Dated this 24th day of January, 2000.

/s/ Susan R. Bolton

SUSAN R. BOLTON
Judge of the Superior Court

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON

FOR THE COUNTY OF KLAMATH

In the Matter of the Determination of the Relative Rights of the Waters of the Klamath River,
A Tributary of the Pacific Ocean

In Re:)
WATERS OF THE KLAMATH RIVER) Case No. WA1300001
BASIN,)
) CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER # 13
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)
_____) December 10, 2015

SUMMARY OF ISSUES ADDRESSED BY THIS CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER

- I. Introduction: Re – Current Service List**
- II. Format of the Service List**
- III. Order Concerning Represented Parties**
- IV. Order Concerning Voluntary Removal from Service List and Change of Address**
- V. Order Concerning Electronic Service through Odyssey**
- VI. Order Concerning Processing Changes to the Service List**

I. INTRODUCTION: RE – CURRENT SERVICE LIST

This proceeding is referred to as the “Klamath Adjudication,” or simply the “Adjudication.” This Case Management Order # 13 will be mailed to all those listed on the current Service List provided by the Court on November 18, 2015. This Case Management

Order #13 addresses issues involving service of documents filed with the Court, including updates to and management of the Service List.

II. FORMAT OF THE SERVICE LIST

The Service List contains the names of all persons receiving service in this matter. The Service List is posted on the Court's Klamath Adjudication webpage in pdf format. Attorneys and unrepresented parties may contact the Court to obtain an Excel spreadsheet version of the list to facilitate production of mailing labels.

The Court has modified the format of the Service List by:

1. Changing the heading of Column C from "Company" to "Other."
2. Adding a "Part(ies) Represented" column which will contain the name of the attorney's client(s) or will be blank if the person is not an attorney.
3. Adding a "Method of Service" column which will identify if the person on the Service List receives "Mail Service" or "electronic service through Odyssey."

Attached hereto as Exhibit A is the Service List as it appeared on November 18th, 2015, the last update prior to this Case Management Order # 13.

III. ORDER CONCERNING REPRESENTED PARTIES

ORCP 9B provides that "Whenever . . . [a] party is represented by an attorney, the service shall be made upon the attorney . . ." Pursuant to ORCP 9B, the Court has determined that represented parties will be removed from the Service List in the following manner:

1. On or before 30 days from the date this order is signed by the court, each attorney representing one or more parties shall file a "Notice of Appearance Pursuant to Case Management Order #13" clearly identifying the attorney's client(s) and whether the client(s) is currently on the Service List, including the line number of Exhibit A, the Excel spreadsheet, where the name of each client(s) appears;

2. On or before 60 days from the date this order is signed by the court, attorneys for the OWRD shall provide the Court with an updated Excel spreadsheet that omits the names of represented parties.

IV. ORDER CONCERNING VOLUNTARY REMOVAL FROM SERVICE LIST AND CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Unrepresented parties (parties not represented by an attorney) who wish to have their names removed from the Service List may request removal. No unrepresented party will be removed from the Service List unless they affirmatively ask to be removed. To request removal, an unrepresented party whose name is on the Service List must fill out the form attached hereto as Exhibit B and email the completed form to a clearinghouse folder kbadj@doj.state.or.us maintained by attorneys for OWRD, or by mailing the form to:

Sarah Weston, Trial Division
Oregon Department of Justice
1515 SW 5th Ave, Suite 410
Portland, OR 97201

If an unrepresented party requests voluntary removal because the party no longer owns property that was the subject of the Klamath Adjudication, then the unrepresented party also must fill out the Change of Ownership form, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit C. If any party has a change in address, they must fill out the Change in Address form attached as Exhibit D.

V. ORDER CONCERNING ELECTRONIC SERVICE THROUGH ODYSSEY

At the Court's request, the Oregon Judicial Department facilitated the use of electronic filing through Odyssey for the Klamath Adjudication in advance of implementation of the system for the Klamath County Circuit Court as a whole. The Court finds that using the system for electronic service of filed documents serves the interest of justice, judicial economy, the parties and the Court.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED

1. All attorneys shall accept electronic service through Odyssey by no later than 30 days from the date this order is signed by the court;
2. Attorneys may apply to the Court for an exemption for good cause;
3. Attorneys shall not revoke acceptance of electronic service through Odyssey except upon further order of the Court for good cause shown;
4. Parties not represented by an attorney are encouraged to accept service through Odyssey. The Oregon Judicial Department has posted and maintains on its website information on filing and service through Odyssey for parties not represented by an attorney located at www.courts.oregon.gov .

VI. ORDER CONCERNING PROCESSING CHANGES TO THE SERVICE LIST

To facilitate timely updates and processing of changes to the Service List, the Court acknowledges the willingness of the attorneys for OWRD to act as a clearinghouse to receive requests for changes to the Service List, make changes in the Excel spreadsheet format, and transmit the updated spreadsheet to the Court. The Court finds that processing changes with the assistance of the attorneys for OWRD serves the interests of justice, judicial economy, the parties and the Court.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED

1. The attorneys for OWRD shall maintain an email “clearinghouse” folder to which parties and attorneys may submit requests for changes to their own entry on the service list. The email address for this clearinghouse folder is kbadj@doj.state.or.us
2. Parties who do not have access to email, may mail forms to:

Sarah Weston, Trial Division
Oregon Department of Justice
1515 SW 5th Ave, Suite 410
Portland, OR 97201

3. The attorneys for OWRD shall send periodic updates in Excel spreadsheet format to the Court containing changes reflected in forms received and attaching all documentation: copies of forms, any correspondence received from any attorney or unrepresented party having to do with any changes to the spreadsheet.
4. The attorneys for OWRD need not serve these periodic reports, but the Court shall make them available for public inspection upon request.

The Court will review the updates submitted by the attorneys for OWRD and, if appropriate, approve changes. Approved changes will be reflected in the Service List posted on the Court's webpage for the Klamath Adjudication.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED this _____ day of December, 2015.

CAMERON F. WOGAN
Circuit Court Judge

**CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP FORM
FOR PROPERTY CLAIMED
IN THE KLAMATH RIVER BASIN ADJUDICATION**

This form is to be used to notify the Klamath County Circuit Court of changes of ownership for property claimed in the Klamath River Basin Adjudication. **Note: A COPY OF THE DEED MUST BE ATTACHED.**

Deliver or mail completed form to: Klamath County Circuit Court, 316 Main Street, Klamath Falls, Oregon 97601.

NEW CLAIMANT (Buyer):

Name: _____
Address: _____
City/State/Zip: _____
Daytime Phone: _____
E-Mail Address: _____

Complete if new claimant is to be represented by an attorney:

Attorney Name: _____
Address: _____
City/State/Zip: _____
Attorney Phone: _____
E-Mail Address: _____

FORMER CLAIMANT (Seller):

Name: _____
Address: _____
City/State/Zip: _____

The NEW CLAIMANT is to be substituted for the FORMER CLAIMANT for the following water right claims:

The NEW CLAIMANT is to be substituted for the FORMER CLAIMANT for the following water right contests:

(Signature New Claimant/Buyer)

(Signature Former Claimant/Seller)
not required if deed attached

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I certify that a true and correct copy of the CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP FORM was mailed on _____, 202 ____ , with sufficient first-class postage prepaid to the following:

ORIGINAL TO:
Klamath County Circuit Court
316 Main Street
Klamath Falls, Oregon 97601

ONE COPY TO:
J. Nicole DeFever, Trial Division
Oregon Department of Justice
100 SW Market Street
Portland, Oregon 97201

ONE COPY TO:
Each party that filed a contest:

(Attach additional pages if necessary)

(Signature)

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS FORM
FOR CLAIMANTS AND CONTESTANTS
IN THE KLAMATH RIVER BASIN ADJUDICATION**

This form is to be used to notify the Klamath County Circuit Court of changes of address for Claimants and Contestants in the Klamath River Basin Adjudication. Deliver or mail completed form to Klamath County Circuit Court, 316 Main Street, Klamath Falls, Oregon 97601.

I/We filed the following claims in the Klamath River Basin Adjudication:

Please change the address to:

Name: _____
New Address: _____
City/State/Zip: _____
Daytime Phone: _____
E-Mail Address: _____

Complete if represented by an attorney:

Attorney Name: _____
Address: _____
City/State/Zip: _____
Attorney Phone: _____

From:

Name: _____
Old Address: _____
City/State/Zip: _____

Dated this _____ day of _____, 202__

(Signature)

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I certify that a true and correct copy of the CHANGE OF ADDRESS FORM was mailed on _____, 202 _____, with sufficient first-class postage prepaid to the following:

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