



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello OACA,

I hope everyone is healthy and happy during these uncertain times. I never thought that my first year as your president would be like this. I know you are all facing challenges on how to navigate the changes that are currently taking place. These challenges are something that we have never faced before in the history of our state and the world. As a court we have faced closures, reschedules, furlough days, protests, legislative changes and many other hurdles that we have had to navigate, but we have all done it by helping each other to get through it. The Oregon Association of Court Administration is here to answer any questions and to help you through these tough times. The OACA Board is listed on the website and you can contact any Board member with questions. Also, we have a chat group available to all the membership to assist you with court matters.

As you know, we had to cancel our spring conference at Agate Beach in April due to the COVID-19 virus. I am sorry to say that our fall conference in Bend, scheduled for October, will also be cancelled, due to the continued outbreaks and the Governor's orders. This doesn't mean that we are not committed to the education of our membership. The Board is exploring virtual education options; please continue to check our website for updates on changes and additional information.

Even though the fall conference is cancelled, we will still be having elections for open Board positions. A list of open positions and information on how to submit your Intent To Run for the Board will be sent out to the membership at a later date. If anyone is interested in becoming a Board member or if you have any questions, please give us a call.

As an update on the Board, we have had a change in the treasurer position. Candy Ashby retired from her court on June 30, 2020 and has stepped down as the OACA treasurer. Deborah Ingledew has stepped up to take on the treasurer responsibilities. Deborah has been a director since 2018 and we thank her for taking on this position.

On the legislative front, the State passed House Bill 4210, effective October 1, 2020. This new legislation affects the courts ability to suspend driving privileges for defendants that fail to comply with court orders to pay fines. I urge you to please review this house bill. It changes how we manage the enforcement of our judgments in our courts.

Until we are all able to meet again, my hope is that you all stay safe and healthy.

Carla Bantz, President

2020 SUMMER

THE ECHO
OREGON ASSOCIATION FOR COURT ADMINISTRATION

ABOUT OACA

Oregon Association for Court Administration is a professional organization committed to excellence. The association was established in 1977 and is Oregon's only organization for court professionals and those interested in the Courts of Oregon. Our membership includes Justice, Municipal, Tribal and State Court Staff, students, vendors, active and retired judges, and others who share an interest in Oregon Courts.

OACA MISSION

The goal of the OACA Board is to provide beneficial and reasonably priced learning experiences. This is done through conferences held biannually, one in the spring and one in the fall. Each conference provides formal training and allows attendees the opportunity to network with people from similar court environments. The Board works very hard to develop the educational agenda for each conference.

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BOARD POSITIONS

The following are descriptions for the 2020 Officer and Director positions that will be open for election.

Membership Vice President:

The Membership Vice President has primary responsibility for:

- Marketing and managing efforts to increase the membership of the Association;
- Maintaining the membership records and statistics of the Association and report on the membership to the Board at the first board meeting immediately following each conference;
- Prepare an updated membership roster for the annual meeting of the Association;
- Organizing and managing the Mentor Program for new members, events for orientation of new members and first time attendees at conferences; and
- Sending membership certificates to new members.

The Membership Vice President shall assist the other Vice Presidents in the discharge of Association matters. The Membership Vice President is the chair of the Membership Committee.

Echo, Resolutions and Bylaws:

The ECHO, Resolutions and Bylaws Vice President have primary responsibility for:

- Editing and managing the production of the Association's newsletter, *The ECHO*;
- Maintaining a high level of quality and accuracy of *The ECHO*; and
- Working with The ECHO, Resolutions and Bylaws Committee in developing and reviewing proposals for resolutions and changes in the bylaws to be brought to the Board of Directors and the Association's membership.

The ECHO, Resolutions and Bylaws Vice President shall assist other Vice Presidents in the discharge of Association matters. The ECHO, Resolutions and Bylaws Vice President is the chair of The ECHO, Resolutions and Bylaws Committee.

Secretary:

The Secretary has primary responsibility for:

- Preparing a record of the proceedings of the annual meeting for publication in *The ECHO*;
- Preparing and sending to all Board members the minutes of all meetings of the Board;
- At the direction of the President or the Board of Directors, preparing and sending correspondence on behalf of the Association;

BOARD POSITIONS (cont.)

- Receiving all applications for association scholarships, determining initial qualification of applicants, and submitting them to the Board of Directors for determination of funding recommendation to the board;
- Maintaining all official records of the Association except for financial and membership records; and
- Otherwise assisting other Board members in the discharge of their duties.

Directors:

All Directors are elected at large from the membership of the Association. The Directors shall serve as members of the Education Committee and shall be responsible for assessing the Association's educational needs and developing and coordinating the educational goals, plans and programs of the Association. In support of these activities, the Directors shall be responsible for conducting membership surveys and evaluating educational presentations at the annual and other meetings or conferences. At the direction of the President or Board of Directors, the Directors shall perform other duties in furtherance of Association purposes and assist other Board members in the discharge of their duties.

One Director shall be designated Director of Certification by the President and assigned the tasks of administering the Association's Certification Program including recommending persons to the Education Committee for Certification at a specific level.

Your current Board members would like to thank you for your interest in running for a Board position. Every member's contribution to OACA is what makes it a better organization!

MEMBERSHIP

OACA recognizes and understands the challenges facing our members personally and professionally, and we are diligently brainstorming ideas to create imaginative ways to keep our members informed and educated. Through these unprecedented times, our number one priority remains serving our members and providing the resources needed to stay connected with other court professionals.

Did you know with your access to the members-only section of the OACA website you can sign-up to receive email notices and post questions for other members?

If you haven't already, you can still renew your membership. Membership is valid through the end of 2020 and must be renewed each year. Although we are operating differently, and don't have the answers to everything just yet, we are still striving to provide all the awesome opportunities OACA has to offer, including:

- Enriching education
- Access to the members-only section of the OACA website
- Tools to network with other court professionals

Remember, the membership application process can only be completed online. If you are unable to submit your application online and need assistance, please contact Mary Quinn, Membership Vice President.

Thank you for your commitment to OACA. Your ideas, suggestions and support are what keep OACA strong. Together, we will tackle this challenge (and whatever the future may bring), and ensure not only that our organization will survive, but will thrive. If you have any questions regarding your OACA membership, please contact me at (503) 786-7520 or quinnm@milwaukieoregon.gov.

Mary Quinn, Membership VP—Milwaukie Municipal Court



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Repeal of Failure to Comply (FTC) Suspensions (ORS 809.210)

Enrolled House Bill (HB) 4210

80th Oregon Legislative Assembly – 2020 Special Session

The Oregon legislature recently passed HB 4210 (2020) with an operative date of October 1, 2020. This bill repeals ORS 809.210, which authorized courts to impose driving privilege suspensions and restrictions if a person was convicted of any traffic offense and failed or refused to pay a fine imposed by the court or to comply with any condition upon which payment of the fine or any part of it was suspended. As a result, DMV will no longer impose upon any driver a suspension for FTC with an effective date on or after October 1, 2020.

The amended ORS 809.416 mandates that upon notice to DMV that a driver failed to comply, DMV shall advise the driver that a suspension of their privileges will commence in 60 days. In order to prevent a suspension for FTC on or after October 1, 2020, DMV will not accept or process court FTC notices beginning July 15, 2020.

FTC suspensions in effect prior to October 1, 2020, will remain in effect until the driver provides a court clearance or the suspension has reached the statutory maximum period applicable by law in effect at the time DMV imposed the suspension (10 years from effective date or 20 years from offense date).

DMV requests that your court **no longer submit notices to suspend for FTC** as of July 15, 2020.

For questions regarding DMV processing changes, please call the DMV Driver Suspensions Unit at (503) 945-5037.

For questions regarding implementation of HB 4210, please call DMV Driver Programs at (503) 945-5090 or email at Jonathan.Munson@odot.state.or.us.

Thank you, we appreciate your cooperation.

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