

### The SPOKANE COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION presents

# TRENDING ISSUES IN FAMILY LAW

## May 11, 2022

Gonzaga University School of Law 721 North Cincinnati Street Barbieri Courtroom Spokane, Washington

- 8:30 a.m. 8:45 a.m. Check-in, Registration & Coffee Service
- 8:45 a.m. 9:45 a.m. DISCOVERY IN THE POST PANDEMIC ERA: The Use of Apps for Identifying Financials Assets Including Cryptocurrency Ken Zigler and Andrew Brown of Zigler Family Law
- 9:45 a.m. 10:00 a.m. BREAK
- 10:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. WHAT'S WORDS GOT TO DO WITH IT?: Emotional Abuse and Updates to the Domestic Violence Protection Order Statute Attorney Kelsey Kittleson and Jemma Riedel, Community Engagement Coordinator for YWCA Spokane
- 12:00 Noon 1:15 p.m. LUNCH (On Your Own)
- 1:15 p.m. 1:45 p.m.**BENEFITS OF LLLTs IN FAMILY LAW**<br/>Lesli Ashley of Empower Family Law Legal Technician
- 1:45 p.m. 3:00 p.m.
   SHARED PARENTING: The Impact of Divorce, Parental Alienation and Child Development

   Leslie Grove of Northwest Mediation Center
- 3:00 p.m. 3:15 p.m. AFTERNOON BREAK
- 3:15 p.m. 4:30 p.m. MINOR GUARDIANSHIPS & EMERGENCY MINOR GUARDIANSHIPS Spokane County Superior Court Judge Rachelle Anderson & Brittney Adams of Witherspoon Kelley

#### **SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES**

<u>BRITTNEY ADAMS</u> works primarily in Witherspoon Kelley's Litigation practice group. Prior to joining the legal profession, Brittney earned her Bachelor of Political Science (2013) and Master of Women and Gender Studies degrees (2017) from the University of Lethbridge in Alberta, Canada. Brittney graduated cum laude from Seattle University School of Law in 2019 and was also awarded the Outstanding Pro Bono Service award for her volunteer work with Choose 180, the Moderate Means Program, and If/When/How for Reproductive Justice.

While in law school, Brittney served as Managing Editor for the American Indian Law Review, qualified to compete in the San Diego Defense Lawyers Regional Mock Trial Competition, and served as a research assistant for three law professors on topics ranging from criminal law to immigration law. Brittney also spent time as a summer associate at Witherspoon Kelley in 2018 and served as an extern for the Honorable Julie McKay in 2019.

She is licensed in Washington and Montana and admitted to practice in the United States District Court, Eastern District of Washington. She is recipient of the Kellye Testy Women's Law Caucus Scholarship, the King County Washington Women Lawyers Scholarship (2017) and the Alberta Education Graduate Citizenship Award (2014).

In her spare time, Brittney can be found running or biking on the Centennial Trail with her husband or visiting her family in Hawaii.

<u>JUDGE RACHELLE ANDERSON</u> was appointed to Superior Court Dept. 12 in January 2019, prior to that, she served as a Spokane County Superior Court Commissioner since December 2010. Judge Anderson spent 13 years in private practice, focusing on family law and juvenile dependency matters. She spent a brief time as an Administrative Law Judge with the Washington State Office of Administrative hearings before her time on the bench.

Professional Affiliations: Judge Anderson currently serves as President of the Superior Court Judges Association and is Chair of the Superior Court Judges Association Guardianship and Probate Committee. She is former Chair of the Certified Professional Guardianship Board, former Chair of the WSBA Character and Fitness Board, and former Washington Young Lawyer Division Trustee. Judge Anderson also sits on the Standing Advisory Committee for the Spokane County Volunteer Lawyers Program.

Education: Eastern Washington University, Government, BA, 1994 • Gonzaga University School of Law, JD, 1997

Personal: Lifetime Spokane Resident • Married with five daughters between the two of us, dog lover and avid Gonzaga Basketball fan! Go ZAGS!

**LESLI ASHLEY** Lesli has over 25 years of experience as a paralegal and was licensed as LLLT in 2020. Lesli strives to make the law more accessible through a low bono law practice. Lesli also volunteers her time to the Practice of Law Board and the WSBA Low Bono Section as well volunteering with the SCBA. Lesli's goal is to provide assistance and support to those who need it most. Lesli enjoys attending Broadway shows and walking the Centennial Trail with her rescue dogs.

#### ANDREW BROWN

<u>LESLIE GROVE</u> - After a BA in Music Education, graduate study in both education and philosophy, and law school at Gonzaga University, Leslie began practicing law in 1985 and mediating in 1987. Her very first mediation training was from Community Boards of Spokane, the predecessor to what has evolved into Northwest Mediation Center. Certified as a mediator through Washington Mediation Association, Leslie is a highly experienced mediator, trainer, and conflict resolution facilitator. Leslie is passionate about the crucial role of alternative dispute resolution and restorative practices in the 21st century. She is excited to work with Northwest Mediation Center, whose board is committed to providing affordable mediation and conflict management education to the community with integrity and creative energy. Leslie's other passion is music, singing, and playing trumpet professionally. "It's all about harmony" in music and in peaceful problem solving.

KELSEY KITTLESON Received her Bachelor's Degree from the University of Idaho in 2007 and her Juris Doctorate from Gonzaga University School of Law in 2010. Kelsey started out in private practice with the Law Office of Eowen S. Rosentrater, PLLC and then formed Magnin & Kittleson Law Office, PLLC with Candace Magnin. In 2018, she bagan working for the YWCA Spokane in their Domestic Violence Unit serving survivors of domestic and intimate partner violence and was named the Young Lawyer of the Year by the Spokane County Bar Association Young Lawyer's Division in 2019.

<u>JEMMA RIEDEL</u> is the Community Engagement Coordinator with YWCA Spokane and educates and connects people with YWCA's mission of eliminating racism and empowering women. She has trained and engaged the community on domestic violence education and racial & social justice work.

<u>KENNETH R. ZIGLER</u> received his Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice from Gonzaga University in 2006, graduated cum laude Juris Doctorate from Western New England School of Law in 2009, and graduated with his Bachelor of Science in Computer Science magna cum laude from Regis University in 2017. He is admitted to the State of Washington and to the United States Patent and Trade Office as a Patent Attorney.

Ken Zigler has been practicing family law since 2009 and owns and operates Zigler Family Law, PLLC, a practice dedicated to exclusively to family law. He has been named a Rising Star in family law for the past three years by Super Lawyers magazine. He also enjoys serving as President-elect for the Spokane County Bar Association, serving on the Washington State Bar Association Board of Bar Examiners since 2010, and teaching Community Property as an Adjunct Professor at Gonzaga University School of Law.