ISLAND COUNTY COURTHOUSE FILING INSTRUCTIONS

- A. Note whether **NEXT DAY** or **SAME DAY!!!**
- B. Determine if 2 or 3 sets of each set of documents need to be printed.
- C. Respond to the text (SMS) or email sent to you indicating whether you can commit to delivering documents by the specific date & time ASAP.

PREPARATION & ORGANIZATION INSTRUCTIONS

Print the number of requested sets of documents. **Staple** the *individual pleading* separately.

If they are too thick the clip type shown below is allowed.



Regular paper clips are not allowed.



Please very careful to keep each set separate.

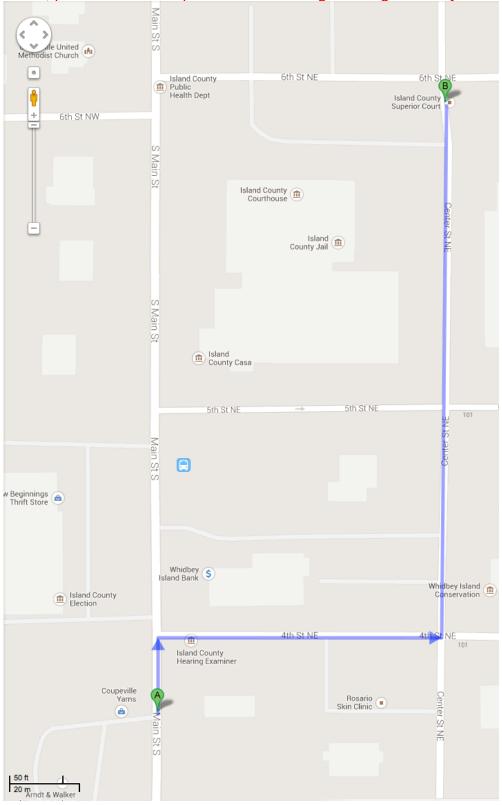
Organize the documents into complete sets (usually 2 or 3 sets).



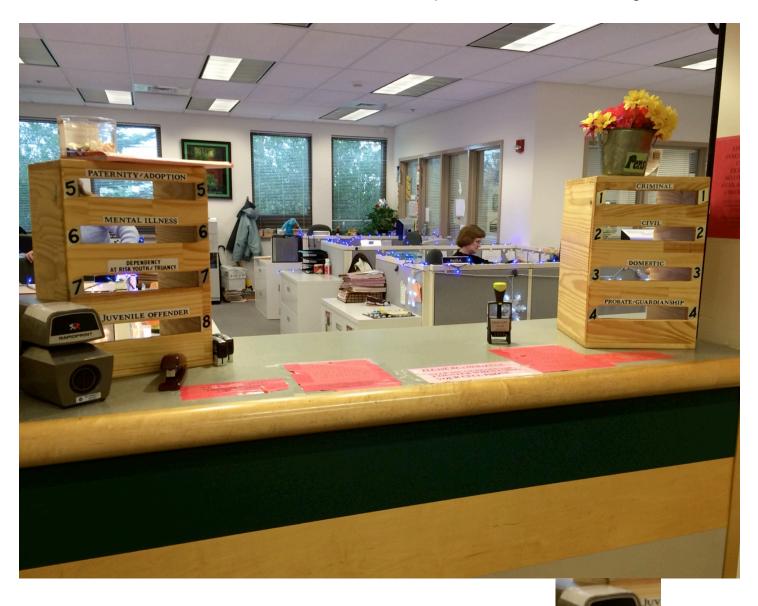
DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS

The Courthouse is located at 101 NE 6th Street

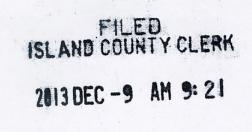
Leave mace, pocketknives and prohibited items to get through security checkpoint.



✓ Go to the first counter on the left as soon as you walk into the building.



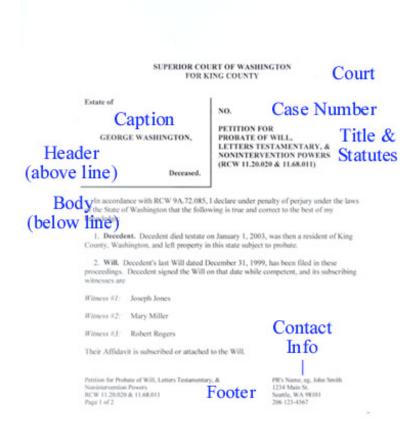
✓ 1st set of stapled pleadings needs to be conformed by the _ electric "Date & Time" stamp machine on every first page.



✓ Place the 1st set of stamped (conformed) documents into the designated tray in accordance to the instructions below. Ask for help from the Court Clerk if you have any uncertainty. They are really nice ©

The legal documents are identified by a Case Number XX-X-XXXXX-X.

The 3rd digit will identify the type of case the document is.



- Criminal
- 2. Civil
- 3. Domestic
- 4. Probate/Guardianship
- 5. Paternity
- 6. Mental Illness
- 7. Dependency
- 8. Dependency At-Risk Youth / Truancy
- 9. Juvenile Offender

✓ 2nd Set of Docs needs to be manually date stamped on every first page.



(Here is what the date stamp look like. The handle has a green top.)

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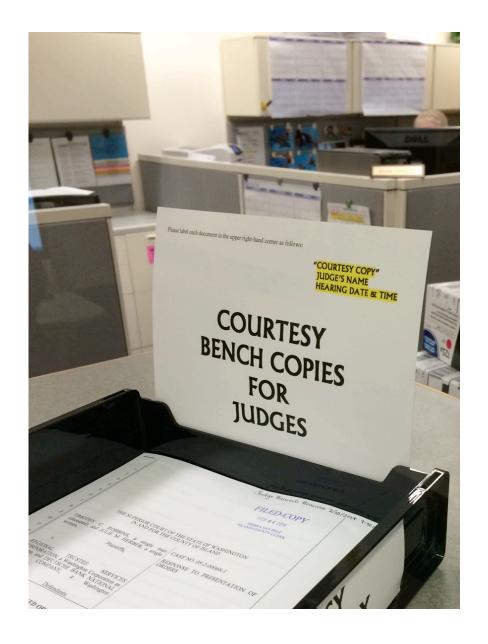
DEBRA VAN PELT
ISLAND COUNTY CLERK

- ✓ Only stamp/conform a Third Set if requested (uncommon).
- ✓ If requested by the attorney's office, write the necessary information on the upper right hand corner of first page of the 2nd set of documents for the Judge: "Courtesy Copy" / Judge's Name / Hearing Date & Time (see picture on the next page). The paralegal sending you the data will provide this information to you if they have not placed this information themselves on their pleadings.

If you are short on time and worried the Court Clerk Office will close, DO **NOT** DO THIS <u>UNTIL YOU HAVE CONFORMED</u> THE 1st SET!

THE 1st SET IS THE MOST IMPORTANT and need to be FILED *before* DEADLINE!

✓ Place the 2nd set of docs as a <u>courtesy copy for the Judge</u> at the next window a little further down the hall.



When your delivery is completed:

- 1. Sign the "Affidavit of Service" or "Declaration of Service" if provided by the law firm.
- 2. Take a photo of it with your phone and send it to the Support Center.
- 3. Accomplish this BEFORE 5 pm

Helpful HINTS:

Please allot for the time necessary to print all of the documents in duplicate or triplicate, collate, organize, and travel to the Courthouse.

Please keep in mind that the Island County Superior Courthouse is open Monday thru Friday from 8 am to 4:30 pm, however, window service for conformation and delivery to the Judge's Office closes promptly at 4:30 pm. Our goal is to be at the Courthouse no later than 3:30 pm to accomplish the task in time.

Be organized. Please segregate your documents clearly into sets.

SUPERIOR COURT HOURS OF OPERATION AND HOLIDAYS

Island County Superior Court is open from Monday through Friday 8am to 4:30pm.

The court will be closed in 2014 on the following dates:

- January 1
- January 20
- February 17
- May 26
- July 4
- September 1
- November 11
- November 27 & 28
- December 25

(check this website for updates: www.islandcounty.net/superiorcourt/

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