

WSR 23-13-049
RULES OF COURT
STATE SUPREME COURT
[June 8, 2023]

IN THE MATTER OF THE PROPOSED ) ORDER
NEW GENERAL RULE ) NO. 25700-A-1506

A Consortium (Beverly K. Tsau; Erin L. Lennon, Supreme Court Clerk; J. Denise Diskin, Executive Director, QLaw Foundation; Dana Savage, President Elect, QLaw Association of Washington; Ada Danelo, Vice President, QLaw Association of Washington, Adirne Leavitt; Danny Waxwing), having recommended the adoption of the proposed new General Rule, and the Court having considered the proposed general rule, and having determined that the proposed general rule will aid in the prompt and orderly administration of justice;

Now, therefore, it is hereby

ORDERED:

(a) That the proposed general rule as shown below is adopted.

(b) That pursuant to the emergency provisions of GR 9 (j)(1), the proposed general rule will be expeditiously published in the Washington Reports and will become effective upon publication.

DATED at Olympia, Washington this 8th day of June, 2023.

Johnson, J.
Madsen, J.
Owens, J.
Stephens, J.
Gonzalez, C.J.
Gordon McCloud, J.
Yu, J.
Montoya-Lewis, J.

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PERSONAL PRONOUNS
[NEW]

(a) Policy and Purpose. The purpose of this rule is to promote inclusive practices in courtrooms and court filing procedures.

(b) Scope. This rule applies to all courts of the State of Washington.

(c) Option to Indicate Personal Pronouns on Court Filings. Any person's personal pronouns may be indicated in the text of filed documents. A signing attorney or party may indicate their personal pronouns in the signature block and on the title page of filed documents.