



“The 29-year-old information system currently serving courts of limited jurisdiction has been a great workhorse for a long time. But it isn’t very efficient in this on-demand world.”

LYNNE CAMPEAU
COURT ADMINISTRATOR
ISSAQUAH MUNICIPAL COURT

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CASE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

CHANGE IS COMING

A new statewide case management system for courts of limited jurisdiction and probation departments will bring new capabilities. Preparing for the new system and changes in your business processes will take some time.

The Administrative Office of the Courts and the CLJ-CMS project team are available to help you prepare for the transition and to support you along the way.

LEARN MORE

Visit the CLJ-CMS project website at inside.courts.wa.gov/CLJCMS to learn what you can do now to start preparing for the new system.

GET READY

Communication and collaboration are key to the success of this project. How can you help get ready for the new case management system?

- Speak with your staff, local partners, and your colleagues in other courts about the coming changes.
- Clean up your courts’ JIS data to ease the transition to the new system.

Send your questions and comments to the project team at CLJCMSProject@courts.wa.gov. Your feedback is always welcome.



A Modern Case Management System Is Headed Your Way

LEARN HOW THE NEW SYSTEM WILL
BETTER SUPPORT YOUR EVERYDAY NEEDS



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THE NEED TO MODERNIZE

Courts of limited jurisdiction (CLJ) process 18 million transactions a month — approximately 87 percent of the state's caseload. They also collect the infraction revenue for the Judicial Information System (JIS) Fund, which is dedicated to the information systems that support the daily operations of all court levels. The aging CLJ case management system does not meet the needs of the courts and is in dire need of modernization.



ABOUT THE PROJECT

Court stakeholders worked together in 2014 and 2015 to identify the essential requirements for the new Courts of Limited Jurisdiction Case Management System (CLJ-CMS). Stakeholders and the Administrative Office of the Courts are now in the process of procuring a commercial off-the-shelf solution that can be configured to meet Washington courts' specific needs. Ideas, feedback, and suggestions are encouraged.

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300

Approximate number of courts of limited jurisdiction and probation departments.



Over 2 million

Number of cases filed in courts of limited jurisdiction in 2015.



1987

Year in which the current system used by courts of limited jurisdiction was launched. It was completed in 1991 and has had no significant upgrade since then despite considerable growth in population and caseloads, and extensive changes in technology.



THE BENEFITS

A commercial off-the-shelf solution will meet many of the courts of limited jurisdictions' business needs out of the box. Once installed, the system will be configured to meet the unique needs of Washington courts. This approach decreases the need for costly customizations.

The goal of the new case management system is to provide improved:

- Communication within and between courts.
- Efficiency in resource management, case docketing, scheduling, case status and progression, and party management.
- Transparency and reliability of information for judicial decision making.
- Maintenance and retrieval of court records.
- Information and access for partner agencies, attorneys, the public, and the media.