

OJD Remote Child Support Court Winter Newsletter Issue #2



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PARTICIPATING COUNTIES:

- Crook – March 2025
- Deschutes
- Douglas
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- Jefferson
- Josephine
- Malheur
- Tillamook
- Yamhill

Remote Child Support Mission Statement

Our goal is to ensure the fair and effective resolution of child support contempt cases through accessible remote proceedings, emphasizing children's needs and encouraging parental responsibilities. We aim to support families through an approachable court program. Offering support to overcoming barriers to payment while considering the diverse needs of all parties involved.

RCSC Key Points

- ✓ Reduces case load for judges in participating counties.
- ✓ Standardized streamlined business processes for all assigned cases freeing up local court staff administrative workload.
- ✓ Enhances access to justice through a problem-solving court model that leads to better financial outcomes for families by utilizing staff and resources that may not be available at an individual court.
- ✓ Seeks stakeholder and community partner involvement to help inform decisions about the operation of the court.
- ✓ Leverages the use of federal IV-D funds instead of OJD funds to operate the program while still providing child support adjudication and resolution for families.
- ✓ Having a sole dedicated Hearing Referee that has expertise in the matter of child support at every appearance allows consistency for litigants and attorneys leading to a collaborative approach to resolution.
- ✓ Completely remote appearance minimizes parties failing to appear for court and reduces lost work time and court appearance costs allowing more funds available to pay support.

WELCOME ABOARD

March 2025 we are welcoming CROOK COUNTY to the Remote Child Support Court. We are looking forward to working with you.

OUR TEAM

Angie LaNier,
Hearing Referee

Pam Hinchliffe,
Hearing Referee

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Courtroom Clerk

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Courtroom Clerk

SPOTLIGHT

Hearing Referee LaNier: I graduated from UO School of Law in 1986. My entire legal career has been in Jackson County, Oregon. Prior to accepting the position as HR with the Remote Child Support Court in October 2023, I had a law practice specializing in criminal defense and family law, and prior to that I was a Sr. Deputy District Attorney in Jackson County. I have enjoyed being Judge pro tem in Jackson County for over 10 years, was a volunteer trial attorney with the Oregon state Bar aiding in presenting evidence against attorneys accused of violating ethics and have had numerous speaking and teaching engagements throughout the years. I was the first person in my family to go to college and am a very proud mother of 5 children and 8 grandchildren. I believe in our justice system and am honored to be a hearing referee for Oregon's Remote Child support Court, of which I strongly believe is helping defendants and families.

Hearing Referee Hinchliffe I graduated from the University of Michigan and Loyola University Chicago School of Law; I have spent my entire 25-year career as an attorney in service to the communities in which I live. I have served as a legal aid attorney, family court hearings referee, a deputy district attorney for support enforcement in Yamhill County, and most recently as a hearing referee in Remote Child Support Court. I believe that access to justice for everyone is essential to a healthy community and is achieved through positive engagement and accountability.

Remote Child Support Court (RCSC):

541-734-0951

remotechildsupportcourt@ojd.state.or.us

M – F 8:00 am – 12:00 pm, 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Online: Search 'RCSC Oregon', click on the top search result

[Oregon Judicial Department: Remote Child Support Court](#)

Parent Accountability and Engagement (PAE) Program

971-719-1809

M – F 8:00 am – 12:00 pm, 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm

OJD.PAE@ojd.state.or.us

<https://www.courts.oregon.gov/programs/rcsc/Pages/PAE>

OJD Statewide Facilitator, Michele White

Available in all Oregon Counties

503-986-7000

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