

# MEGHAN BISHOP

## EDUCATION

George Washington University, Washington, D.C. <b>M.P.S. in Political Management (Part-time, Evening)</b>	<b>Expected 2020</b>
Willamette University College of Law, Salem, Oregon <b>J.D.</b>	<b>2008</b>
Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, Ohio <b>B.A. in Psychology and Humanities</b>	<b>2004</b>

## RELATED EXPERIENCE

Metro Juvenile, Beaverton, Oregon

**Attorney/Owner** **2012 – Present**

- Provide highly competent and ardent representation to adults, foster parents, and youth clients in juvenile, adoption, family law, and criminal defense matters in twelve Oregon counties.
- Research and interpret various legal issues related to shackling, detention practices, child welfare, visitation, family reunification, and draft appropriate motions and legal memorandum supporting the various positions of clients.
- Develop a detailed understanding of state and federal laws and rules related to criminal justice, child welfare, and attendant issues, including, but not limited to, ICWA, ASFA, VAWA, PREA, JJDP A IDEA, obtaining SIJS findings, and Title IV-E eligibility.
- Acquired an understanding of brain development, child development, the consequences of trauma on a child, and trauma informed representation through numerous trainings and research to better advocate for both adult and juvenile clients.
- Provide training and support regarding various criminal justice and child welfare issues to other attorneys involved in juvenile justice within Oregon through planning, executing, and speaking at various seminars and summits on both county and state levels.
- Develop and maintain a website/database to facilitate dissemination of important juvenile law news, information, research, statutes, and case law for use by Oregon juvenile law practitioners.
- Regularly plan, coordinate, and facilitate meetings on local and statewide levels with various bipartisan stakeholders involved in juvenile justice to discuss and implement practices and procedures to better outcomes for families and youth.
- Participated in a state pilot project to improve the representation of and outcomes for parents and youth involved in the juvenile justice system. This resulted in lower incarceration rates, decreased foster care rates and decreased the time to achieve permanency for youth.
- Advocate at the county and state levels for various legislation related to improving outcomes for families and youth.
- Manage day-to-day requirements of a law practice including developing marketing strategies, social media engagement, supervising staff, budgeting, billing, record keeping, and developing a paperless system.

Hillsboro Law Group, Hillsboro, Oregon

**Associate Attorney** **2009 – 2012**

- From January 2010 until January 2012, was the Lead Juvenile Law Attorney on the indigent defense contract and developed internal practice management procedures to ensure zealous advocacy for all adult and youth clients.
- Represented over 300 parents and youth in juvenile dependency and delinquency matters.
- Trained new attorney hires on internal law firm practices as well as how to provide proficient legal representation in juvenile court.
- Attended numerous court appearances including contested hearings, performed relevant legal research, filed, and argued a wide array of motions.

O'Neill and Evans, Salem, Oregon

**Law Clerk and Associate Attorney**

**2007 – 2009**

- Drafted legal documents related to various criminal, domestic relations (dissolution, modification and adoptions), personal injury, guardianship/conservatorship, dependency, and general litigation matters.
- Prepared for and made court appearances including status conferences, arraignments, pre-trial conferences, hearings, and trials.

**PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS**

Testified, Senate Judiciary Committee in support of HB 2616 – Requiring Attorney to be appointed to juvenile delinquency matters

**May 2017**

Interviewed, *Fate of Oregon girl sent to Mexico remains a mystery*, Oregonian

**March 2017**

Speaker, *Sometimes I've Believed as Many as Six Impossible Things Before Breakfast (Obtaining HIPAA protected records)*, Juvenile Law: Down the Rabbit Hole

**February 2017**

Co-Author, *Duggar case reveals need for more homeschool oversight*, Statesman Journal

**June 2015**

Interviewed, *Fostering families*, Street Roots News

**May 2015**

Speaker, *Abusive Head Trauma & Broken Bones: Challenging the Shaken Baby Hypothesis*, 2015 OCDLA Juvenile Law Seminar

**April 2015**

Speaker, *The Unique Challenge of Protecting the Rights of Child Victims*, 2014 National Crime Victims Law Conference

**June 2014**

Moderator, *Juvenile Law: Preserving the Promise of Juvenile Court, Recognizing and Mitigating Collateral Consequences*, Oregon Criminal Defense Lawyers Association Spring Conference

**April 2014**

Author, *Juvenile Law: Visitation: Keeping Caseworkers on the Case*, The Oregon Defense Attorney

**Nov/Dec 2013**

**MEMBERSHIPS**

Oregon State Bar

**2008 - Present**

Grand Ronde Tribal Bar

**2013 - Present**

Oregon State Bar Juvenile Law Section Executive Committee – Member

**2012 - 2017**

- Website Chair

**2012 - 2017**

- Secretary

**2015**

- Chair-Elect

**2017**

Oregon Criminal Defense Lawyers Association – Member

**2009 - 2017**

Oregon Criminal Defense Lawyers Association Juvenile Committee – Member

**2013 - 2017**

Washington County Bar Association – Director

**2014 - 2017**

**AWARDS**

Washington County Bar Association President's Award

**2016**

Super Lawyer – Rising Star Criminal Defense

**2016**