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Meeting Location	Date	Time	Торіс
King County Bar Association 1200 Fifth Avenue - Suite 700 Seattle, WA	Friday, December 7, 2018	12:10 PM to 1:30 PM	Parenting Plans and Educational Decisions - Issue Spotting and Anticipating/Planning around Conflict

## AGENDA

12:10 PM	Introduction
12:20 PM	Presentation: 'Parenting Plans and Educational Decisions - Issue Spotting and Anticipating/Planning around Conflict', by Jill L. Mullins and Lara Hruska, Cedar Law PLLC
1:30 PM	Adjourn

## **SPEAKER BIOGRAPHY**

**Jill L. Mullins Senior Associate, Cedar Law PLLC** has been practicing law since 2009. She has been distinguished in her career, receiving the Charles Z. Smith Award for Public Service from the UW School of Law for 2008-2009, the Recent Graduate Award from the University of Washington School of Law in 2012, the Washington Super Lawyers Rising Star designation in 2014 and 2018 and in 2017, Jill was named one of <u>Best LGBT Lawyers Under 40 by the National LGBT Bar Association</u>.

Jill is committed to access to justice. Since law school, Jill has helped put on panels for the public and attorneys on issues impacting the LGBTQ community and students on issues of bullying and discrimination, typically organizing and/or presenting on multiple panels or CLEs a year for the better part of a decade. One of Jill's nerdy passion projects is being on the Pattern Forms Committee and Domestic Relations Subcommittee. Pattern forms are available through the <u>court's website</u>. These forms are used by attorneys and people who represent themselves (*pro se* parties). The committee and subcommittee are filled with people who diligently work to make the forms accessible. The forms are one of the most tangible access to justice tools out there as they help people understand all of the requirements involved in their action.

Jill joined Cedar Law to focus her practice on the legal issues impacting parents and students in the K-12 and collegiate setting, with a particular passion around bullying, harassment, sexual assault, due process, and racial discrimination. Jill has been working on these issues for some time, including being involved on the focus groups and later the work group regarding the 2008 Nondiscrimination law and the 2008 anti-bullying law. Prior to joining Cedar Law, Jill's practice focused on protecting LGBTQ families and other nontraditional families. While becoming less of her practice, Jill still does does confirmatory parentage actions in lieu of adoptions for parents who qualify under the statute (i.e., married same-sex couples), basic estate planning services to help protect all different kinds of families (step-families, polyfamilies, blended families, cohabiting couples who do not wish to marry, etc.), and appeals, with a focus on family law or education law appeals.

Lara Hruska Founding Partner, Cedar Law PLLC founded Cedar Law based on a holistic approach to school law informed by her unique background in education, social work, and the law. She is licensed to practice law in Washington and California. Lara received her JD from the University of Washington School of Law and also holds an MSW in Child and Family Welfare Policy from Columbia University, an MSEd in Special and General Childhood Education from Bank Street College of Education, and a BA in Peace and Conflict Studies from U.C. Berkeley. She has experience teaching children from pre-kindergarten through middle school in California, New York, and Louisiana, where she served as the founding special education director for two post-Katrina charter schools in New Orleans.

Prior to forming Cedar Law in 2015, Lara worked at a Seattle litigation firm representing traditional school districts around the State of Washington with day-to-day general counsel advice and provided representation in state and federal litigation and administrative proceedings. She served on the board of the Washington Council of School Attorneys from 2013-2014 and the board of the Washington Women Lawyers from 2014-2016. Lara received the 2016 UW School of Law Women Leaders Award for Outstanding Achievement by a Young Lawyer. She was named a 2017 and 2018 Rising Star by Washington Super Lawyers. Lara currently serves on the board of the Chartwell School in Monterey, CA.