



COLLABORATIVE LAW
Professionals of Pierce County

Collaborative Law Basic Training

When & Where

1:00pm – 5:00pm
January 23rd and 30th, 2023
February 6th and 13th, 2023
via Zoom

*To complete the Basic Training, must attend all four Monday sessions.

Cost

Current CLPPC Members

\$300 (before 1/02/23), \$325 (1/03/23 & after)

Non-Members

\$350 (before 1/02/23), \$400 (1/03/23 & after)

Registration

Registration, Payment and Training Information

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What to Expect

The Uniform Collaborative Law Act (UCLA) was passed August 2013 in Washington State (RCW 7.77). It is the ideal time to add Collaborative Law to your practice! The Collaborative Law Professionals of Pierce County (CLPPC) is offering the basic training for all attorneys, mental health professionals, and financial professionals. This training is for new practitioners or seasoned professionals interested in refreshing their skills.

Training objectives include:

- Learn the *basic* theories, practices, and skills needed to effectively practice the Collaborative Law Process.
- Learn the Collaborative model as a dispute resolution process designed to work with interpersonal relationships and create client-centered solutions.
- Introduce interest-based negotiation and other problem-solving tools needed to successfully conclude cases.
- Understand the dynamics of interpersonal conflict in a divorce situation and how effective communication can transform conflict.
- The benefits of a professional Collaborative team (lawyers, mental health professionals and financial specialists) and the role each plays in the Collaborative Law Process.
- Why the Collaborative Law Process can be a healing process for clients and their children.
- How to assess client's suitability for the Collaborative Law Process.
- Learn and observe the skills for taking a Collaborative case from the first interview to the final documents.
- Ethical considerations of Collaborative professionals.
- How to start your Collaborative practice.



Your Faculty

Leslie R. Bottimore, Attorney - Licensed to practice law since 2000; Member of Diversity, Equity, Inclusion Committee of International Academy of Collaborative Professionals (IACP)(2021 to Present); Past President of Collaborative Law Professionals of Pierce County (CLPPC)(2013 & 2020); Chair (2021 to Present) of CLPPC Training Committee (Creator of Committee and Member 2013 to Present); Past Vice President of King County Collaborative Law (KCCL); actively engaging in Collaborative Practice in Pierce and King Counties since 2007.

Jennie Bouska, Certified Divorce Financial Analyst, CDFATM, has practiced Collaborative law since 2009, former Treasurer and current President of CLPPC, and former Treasurer of Collaborative Professionals of Washington with collaborative divorce cases in King and Pierce county.

Teena Johnson, Attorney, started practicing law in 2000, past president of Collaborative Professionals of Washington, past president of CLPPC, current Treasurer of CLPPC with collaborative cases in Pierce and King Counties since 2008.

Wendy Rawlings, Mental Health Counselor, Wendy has been an individual, couple, and family counselor in King and Pierce Counties for 37 years. For the last 15 years she has been a Collaborative Law Professional serving as a Divorce Coach, Family Specialist, and Child Specialist. She is Past President of CLPPC, served on their Board for several years and has served on state and national boards for Mental Health Counselors..

Karol Whealdon, Attorney, has been licensed to practice law since 1989 and has been licensed in Washington since 1999, is the current Secretary of CLPPC, and has been practicing Collaborative Law in Pierce County since 2016.

Wendy Zicht, Attorney, started practicing law in 1991, and she began practicing Collaborative Law in 2006. Wendy is a former Pierce County Superior Court Commissioner, past president of the Tacoma Pierce County Bar Association, past president of the TPCBA Family Law Section, and past president of CLPPC..

CLE/CEU Credits - requested

12.25 CLE credits (incl. **0.5 ethics**) and **6.5 CEUs** (provider #1975-272) for Psychologists, Licensed Social Workers, Licensed Marriage and Family Therapists, and Licensed Mental Health Counselors by the National Association of Social Workers Washington Chapter through Collaborative Professionals of Washington.

This training is taught by an interdisciplinary Collaborative team (attorneys, mental health professionals, and financial specialist), and will offer demonstrations, small group activities, role playing, and hands-on practice. All attendees receive a manual with handouts, notes, and articles referenced in the training as well as a thumb-drive that contains valuable checklists, forms, handouts, and articles. Participants will have all the materials they need to start their Collaborative practice.

What other Basic Training attendees are saying:

- Great balance of mental health and legal perspective.
- Cohesive and complete presentation – the group had great energy!
- Good ‘mock way’ demonstration of developing high end goals.
- Appreciate variety of professionals and variety of practitioners in each profession for many points of view.

Training Schedule

Jan 23, 2023, 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM

January 30, 2023, 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Feb 6, 2023, 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM

February 13, 2023, 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM

12:45 pm to 1:00 pm | Zoom link open

1:00 pm to 3:00 pm | Training

3:00pm to 3:15pm | Break

3:15 pm to 5:30 pm | Training

This training meets the International Academy of Collaborative Professionals Standards for Basic Training and qualifies you for membership in CLPPC as well as many other collaborative practice groups.

The Collaborative Law Basic Training (this training) and 30-40 hour Basic Mediation Training are required to meet minimum standards for IACP and the Pierce County Collaborative Practice Group, CLPPC.

General Meetings, Book Club & More

Collaborative Law Professionals of Pierce County holds a **General Membership Meeting** five times each year, currently via Zoom.

Book Club meets to discuss authors related to collaborative practice via Zoom.

Please join us to expand your learning by attending a General Membership Meeting, or Book Club meeting to continue building upon your skills, keep up-to-date on current research and offerings, and share time with other collaborative professionals.

Registration, Payment Processing & More Information

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