

Dear DD Stakeholders,

We are pleased to report that the *Boyle* lawsuit filed against DSHS has been settled pending Court approval. The lawsuit was originally filed by Columbia Legal Services and later joined by the Washington Protection and Advocacy System. To view the summary of the Proposed Settlement Agreement (in regular or large print) with contact information for related questions, or to see the actual Proposed Settlement Agreement document, please go to the WPAS website and click on "Proposed Settlement in *Boyle v. Arnold-Williams*."

There will be two conference calls to explain the Proposed Settlement Agreement and take your questions. They will be held on Wednesday September 27, 2006 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and on Thursday September 28, 2006 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. The content will be the same so please pick the time slot most convenient for your schedule.

You must RSVP for the phone conference which you plan to call in on no later than Tuesday September 26, 2006 at 5:00 p.m. Please RSVP by contacting WPAS at 206-324-1521 (Toll Free at 800-562-2702, or TTY 800-905-0209) and asking for extension 401, or by emailing to boyle@wpas-rights.org .

Later on, prior to the Fairness Hearing, WPAS will provide trainings at each DDD regional office for people who wish to learn more about the Settlement. Stay tuned for the details. Our thanks and congratulations go to Columbia Legal Services for initiating this important effort.

Sincerely,

Mark Stroh, Executive Director
Washington Protection and Advocacy System

Please note the following information needed in order to call in to the conferences:

Conference Call 1

Wednesday, September 27, 2006 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Dial this number: 877-601-3548

Enter this code: 3809714#

You will be automatically prompted to enter the above code and will then be placed into the call. Please note if you experience difficulty joining the call, this conference is operator assisted and you may contact them for assistance by following the prompts.

Conference Call 2

Thursday, September 28, 2006 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Dial this number: 877-601-3548

Enter this code: 3809714#

You will be automatically prompted to enter the above code and will then be placed into the call. Please note if you experience difficulty joining the call, this conference is operator assisted and you may contact them for assistance by following the prompts.