



## **Superior, Family and District Court of the State of Washington For Thurston County**



### **Court Expectations of Law Enforcement Officers Present at the Courthouse to make an Arrest**

The Thurston County Superior Court and District Court judges affirm that our courts must remain open and accessible for all individuals and families. It is the policy of Thurston County Superior Court and District Court that arrests shall not be executed within any of the Thurston County courtrooms unless directly ordered by the judicial officer presiding over the hearing, trial, or calendar. Arrests shall be discouraged in the Thurston County Courthouse(s) unless public safety is at immediate risk.

If law enforcement has questions, court staff, including court security, will provide the same information to law enforcement and the general public. Court staff and CSOs may also direct law enforcement officers to the proper department, such as the Clerk, Prosecutor, Pretrial Services, Probation, or Sheriff, or to view the public display board.