

RECENT WA SUPREME COURT DECISIONS: REASONABLE & ACTIVE EFFORTS

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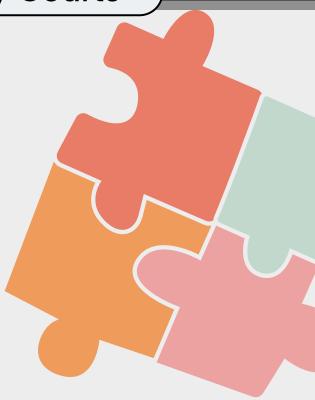
Child Dependency Courts

IN THE MATTER OF THE DEPENDENCY OF L.C.S.

Filed August 11, 2022

Provides guidance to assist courts in applying the reasonable efforts standard given the lack of decisions in our state defining the term.

Read Decision





IN RE DEPENDENCY OF J.M.W.

Filed July 21, 2022

Establishes the responsibility of the State to make active efforts prior to the Shelter Care Hearing to prevent the breakup of an Indian family.

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IN RE DEPENDENCY OF A.W.

Filed August 8, 2022 (substituted)

Addresses the heightened emergency removal standard under ICWA that is triggered if there is "Reason to Know" a child is an Indian Child.

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RESOURCES

WA Guide to Reasonable & Active Efforts

WA Reason to Know Flowchart

<u>Lummi Child Welfare</u> <u>Comprehensive Guide</u> <u>to Active Efforts</u>

U.S. Supreme Court
Oral Argument

TOOLS FOR WORKING WITH TRIBES

TRIBAL COURT PODCAST SERIES
Child Welfare Information Gateway

INDIGENOUS LAND MAP

https://native-land.ca/

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MY TRIBAL AREA

https://www.census.gov/tribal/

