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**Re: Court of Appeals No. 53958-6-II/(USE THIS NUMBER ON ALL FILINGS)
Thurston County No. 17-2-03293-34
Christina Madison, et al., Appellants v. State Superintendent of Public
Instruction, Respondent
Case Manager: Cheryl**

THIS WILL BE THE ONLY NOTICE THAT YOU WILL RECEIVE CONCERNING DUE DATES. A DOCUMENT FILED PRIOR TO OR AFTER ITS DUE DATE MAY AFFECT ALL SUBSEQUENT DUE DATES. THE PARTIES ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR DETERMINING ADJUSTED DUE DATES BY REVIEWING THE APPROPRIATE RULES OF APPELLATE PROCEDURE.

Counsel:

We have received a Notice of Appeal filed **August 14, 2019**. The time periods for compliance with the Rules of Appellate Procedure are as follows:

1. The designation of clerks papers should be filed with the trial court by **September 13, 2019**. A copy of the designation should be served and must be filed with the appellate court. RAP 9.6(a).
2. The statement of arrangements should be filed in this court by **September 13, 2019** and a copy served on all parties and all named court reporters. **The statement should include the name of each court reporter, the hearing dates, and the trial court judge. Revised RAP 9.2(a)**. If counsel does not intend to file a verbatim report of proceedings, counsel should so notify this court, in writing, by that date. RAP 9.2(a).

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3. The verbatim report of proceedings must be filed with the appellate court clerk within 60 days after the statement of arrangements is filed. Revised RAP 9.5(a). **Note: Court Reporters and Transcriptionists must comply with General Order 2015-1. Found at: http://www.courts.wa.gov/appellate_trial_courts/?fa=atc.genorders_orddisp&ordnumber=2015-1&div=II**
4. Appellant's opening brief, accompanied by proof of service, should be filed in this court 45 days after the filing of the report of proceedings in the appellate court. RAP 10.2(a) & (h). Pursuant to RAP 10.2(a), if the record on review does not include a report of proceedings, the brief of appellant should be filed within 45 days after the party seeking review has filed the designation of clerks papers and exhibits at the trial court.
5. Respondent's opening brief, accompanied by proof of service, should be filed in this court 30 days after service of the appellant's brief to all parties. RAP 10.2(b) or (c).
6. A reply brief, if any, is due 30 days after service of respondent's brief. RAP 10.2(d). Failure to timely file the brief will result in the brief being placed in the case file without action. The court will give it whatever consideration it wishes.

Counsel's failure to timely comply with the rules of Appellate Procedure may result in the imposition of sanctions pursuant to RAP 18.9. Any request for an extension of time must be made by way of written motion and affidavit showing good cause accompanied by proof of service. The request for additional time should specify a definite date. The granting of an extension request will change all subsequent due dates. Given the usually accelerated nature of cases involving the general welfare and protection of children, please be advised that extensions of time will rarely be granted in such cases.

Counsel must comply with GR 31(e) and omit personal identifiers from all documents filed in this court. This rule provides that "parties shall not include, and if present shall redact" social security numbers, financial account numbers, and driver's license numbers. The rule specifies that the parties have this responsibility and the court will not review filed documents for compliance with this rule. Because unsealed briefs and other documents are made available to the public on the court's website and at our office, counsel must ensure that personal identifiers are removed or redacted.

Very truly yours,



Derek M. Byrne,
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cc: Thurston County Clerk