

WASHINGTON ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS
CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY ACT [CARES]:
APPLICATION FOR CARES FUNDING

The CARES Act provides that payments from the Fund may only be used to cover costs that—

1. are necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19);
2. were not accounted for in the budget most recently approved as of March 27, 2020 (the date of enactment of the CARES Act) for the State or government; and
3. were incurred during the period that begins on March 1, 2020, and ends on December 30, 2020.

Please contact Sam Knutson, AOC Comptroller, with questions [or to email your completed application along with supporting documentation] at sam.knutson@courts.wa.gov or 360-704-5528. The final deadline for applications is January 15, 2021. Applications will be reviewed and monies distributed as they are received.

1. Name and Title of Applicant: James W. Lawler, Presiding Judge
2. Jurisdiction: Lewis County ☐ Supreme ☐ COA ☒ Superior ☒ District ☐ Municipal ☐ County Clerk
3. Amount Requested: \$ 187,475.00
4. Did your county or city receive CARES or other COVID relief funding? ☐ No ☒ Yes Amount \$ 5,970,000.00
5. Did your court [or county clerk's office if applicant is the county clerk] receive local or state CARES or other funding? ☐ No ☒ Yes Amount \$ 480,038.00

6. Request Categories [Check All That Apply]

☐ PPE [Personal Protective Equipment]	☒ Technology	☐ Public Access Costs
☐ Pro Tem Judicial Officers	☐ Security/Baliff Services	☐ Other
☐ Non Judicial Staff, including overtime & temp costs	☐ Cleaning & Disinfecting Supplies/Services	[Specify] _____
☒ Facilities Acquisition/Redesign	☐ Juror Service Costs	

7. Expenditure Period [Check All That Apply]

☐ March 2020 Costs	☐ July 2020 Estimate	☒ November 2020 Estimate
☐ April 2020 Costs	☐ August 2020 Estimate	☒ December 2020 Estimate
☐ May 2020 Costs	☒ September 2020 Estimate	
☐ June 2020 Costs	☒ October 2020 Estimate	

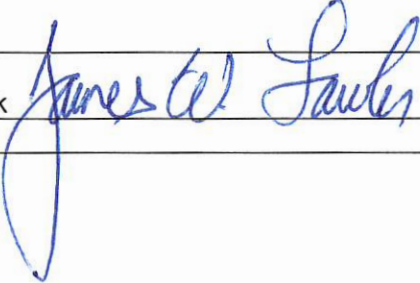
Note- Please also complete the attached expenditure grid.

8. Are any of the costs associated with cross court support such as collaboration between court levels or with the county clerk's office? For example, a temporary facility that will be used by municipal, district, superior courts and/or county clerk's offices? ☐ No ☒ Yes [Explain]

~~Both District and Superior Courts are now using temporary video conferencing technology due to covid to limit transport of inmates for court appearances. Public are also using video conferencing in lieu of personal appearances. Both courts are coordinating with the jail for technology use as well.~~

9. Brief justification statement, including priority of costs for potential reimbursemen. [Attach Additional Pages As Needed]

~~In the past the Courts have allowed some telephonic testimony. After covid pandemic hit, the courts needed a way to allow in custody defendants to appear by video to limit in person contact. The public also needed a way to appear at necessary hearings by video. The court used available technology to put together a temporary video conferencing system. This system is not sufficient to meet the requirements set by law for courtroom use and the quality of video and sound made it difficult at times to proceed. The courts need a system that will meet the legal requirements and provide efficient service to all users of the courts. After submitting the original approved application additional costs associated for the project were identified including Room Kit Video Conferencing Units for 2 Jail arraignment rooms to connect up to the Courtrooms. This will provide seamless connectivity between the inmates and Courts by utilizing a smaller version of the Cisco Room Kits and provide the same technology between the Courts and Jail. Other costs identified include modifications to office space for the Clerk, District Court and Superior Courts to provide separated glass dividers for employees and remove temporary plastic barriers.~~

Presiding Judge/County Clerk		9/24/2020
Signature		Date