

Oregon State Bar
2023 Legislative Priorities

1. **Support Court Funding.** Continued support for stable funding for Oregon’s courts.
 - Advocate that the Legislative Assembly improve funding to provide needed court services, support suitable and sufficient court facilities, work to attract and retain high quality judges, and support the goals of the Judicial Department Strategic Campaign.
 - **Oregon Campaign for Court Funding.** Support the statewide coalition of citizens, business, nonprofit and community groups formed to ensure adequate and stable court funding.

2. **Support legal services for lower income Oregonians.**
 - **Civil Legal Services.** Legal assistance and representation for financially qualified individuals in Oregon’s civil justice system.
 - Request that Congress and the President of the United States make a genuine commitment to equal justice by adequately funding the Legal Services Corporation, which provides federal support for statewide integrated civil legal aid;
 - Work with Oregon’s legal aid programs, the Campaign for Equal Justice and immigration legal service providers to preserve and increase state funding for legal aid and explore other sources of new funding.

 - **Indigent Defense.** Constitutionally and statutorily required representation of financially qualified individuals in Oregon’s criminal and juvenile justice systems:
 - Partner with stakeholders in support of a healthy and functioning justice system for all Oregonians, including a robust public defense system.

3. **Support the OSB 2023 Law Improvement Package, and track and engage on legislation per 2023 Oregon State Bar Legislative Guidelines.**