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West v. Washington State Ass'n of Dist. and Mun. Court Judges

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Requester brought declaratory judgment action alleging violations by District and Municipal Court Judges' Association (DMCJA) of the Public Records Act, as well as the Fair Campaign Practices Act. The King County Superior Court granted DMCJA summary judgment. Requester appealed.

The Court of Appeals held that:

- DMCJA was part of judiciary and was therefore not an "agency" subject to the Public Records Act;
- Requester was required to comply with statutory notice procedures to attorney general and local prosecutor prior to bringing action against DMCJA for alleged violation of the Fair Campaign Practices Act; and
- Judge's recusal was not warranted by her status as former member of DMCJA.