

## A BRIEF HISTORY OF

# THE CPGC BOARD

**1996**

WAPG leaders: Tom **O'Brien**, Elizabeth **Lindley**, John **Jardine**, Brandon **Johnson**, Sheila **Brashear** formulate ideas to create statewide oversight for Professional Guardians.

**1997**

Rep. **Maryann Mitchell** (R – Federal Way) sponsors **HB 1771**: An act relating to Guardians, directing OAC to study and make a recommendation for certification of guardians to the legislature and the governor.

**Jul 1997**

Governor Locke signs ESHB 1771 into law.

**Dec 1997**

The **Guardianship Certification Study Committee** issues their Final Report – making 8 detailed recommendations.

**1999**

The Oversight Board meets in person 16 times and creates 3 committees. They draft: a proposed General Rule 23 to create the CPG Board and detailed policies regarding applications, standards and discipline.

**2000**

The Supreme Court adopts the Final Report as submitted, enacts GR 23 and appoints the Oversight Board to the first **CPG(C) Board**.

A GROUP OF CONCERNED GUARDIANS, INSPIRED BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE, MADE WASHINGTON THE LEADER IN GUARDIANSHIP OVERSIGHT.

**1994 - 1995**

Professional Guardians from King County and Snohomish County reconvene **the Washington State Association of Professional Guardians** (WAPG) due to concern about incompetent guardians removed in one county moving to another county.

**1996**

Secretary of State **Ralph Monroe** (R) assists WAPG with oversight ideas and finding a legislative sponsor.

**Mar & Apr 1997**

Only, SOS **Monroe**, Rep. **Mitchell** and **WAPG Board Members** testify for HB 1771. There is no opposition.

**Oct 1997**

Thurston Cnty. Judge **Paula Casey** chairs an 11-person Study Committee from the WSBA, WAPG, ARC, DSHS, AG & AARP, with public participation.

**Jul 1998**

The Supreme Court establishes the **Professional Guardian Oversight Board**. Pierce County Judge **Marywave Van Deren** chairs the 10-person board of Judicial Officers, WSBA, WAPG, DSHS, AARP & ARC.

**Oct 1999**

The Oversight Board issues their detailed Final Report and proposed GR 23 to the Supreme Court.