

# Joel's Law Flowchart

Judge Ken Schubert

ITA Court

King County Superior Court

Joel's Law Petition ("JLP") filed by immediate family member, guardian or conservator (collectively "Family") of the person if either:  
(a) 48 hours elapsed since DMHP received request; or (b) DMPH decides not to detain

Court reviews the JLP within one judicial day to determine if sufficient evidence exists

Sufficient evidence does not exist *or* JLP filed by non-Family

Dismiss

Sufficient evidence does exist *and* Family filed JLP

Court provides JLP to and orders that DMHP Agency provide written sworn statement describing basis for decision not to detain and a copy of all information material to that decision

DMHP files own Petition

Court dismisses JLP and DMHP's Petition proceeds pursuant to RCW 71.05.150

Court issues a Final Ruling w/in five judicial days from **original** date Family filed JLP

Court dismisses JLP due to finding that probable cause does not exist or person agrees to evaluation and treatment

Court orders detention, finding that probable cause exists and person refuses evaluation and treatment

JLP proceeds as though order entered pursuant to RCW 71.05.150 with up to 72 hold in E&T facility

Contested hearing

Agreed Less Restrictive Order

E&T Facility dismisses JLP

Up to 14 day commitment

Less Restrict Order

Court dismisses JLP