

## Statewide Initiatives & Referenda Ballot Title Challenges

Stoll Berne's [Steve Berman](#) frequently represents progressive groups and individuals before the Oregon Supreme Court in challenges to ballot titles issued for statewide initiatives and referenda. Recent decisions include: *Unger v. Rosenblum*, 362 Or 210 (December 2017), where the court agreed with Berman's argument that the ballot title proceeding was not properly before it; *Parris v. Rosenblum*, 362 Or 96 (October 2017), where Berman appeared in support of a state law to provide funding for Medicaid recipients, and the court agreed with Berman that the ballot title did not need to refer to funding assessments as "taxes"; *Conroy v. Rosenblum*, 359 Or 601 (May 2016), where the court accepted Berman's argument that the ballot title for an anti-union initiative was vague and misleading; *Blosser v. Rosenblum*, 358 Or 295 (Nov 2015), where the court agreed with Berman's argument that the ballot title for an anti-environmental initiative did not adequately disclose the effects of the measure.

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