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## **Eduardo Morfin Named Local Hero by the Washington State Bar Association**

**RICHLAND, Wash., Aug. 11, 2023** – The Washington State Bar Association today presented Tri-Cities attorney Edwardo “Eddie” Morfin with the Local Hero award in recognition of his volunteerism and pro bono work in Benton County.

“Edwardo’s work in his community, his profession and with kids is an excellent example of what we call a Local Hero,” said WSBA President Daniel Clark. “In addition to his work as an attorney, he has been instrumental in the Tri-Cities Youth and Justice Forum, working with high schools for several years.”

The Local Hero Award is presented to those who have made noteworthy contributions to their communities. Clark presented Morfin with the award during the Aug. 11 meeting of WSBA’s Board of Governors meeting in Richland. The Benton-Franklin Counties Bar Association nominated Morfin for the award.

The Tri-Cities Youth and Justice Forum has convened annually for nearly two decades. The full-day forum teaches middle- and high-school students about the many professions that make up the justice system. Its principal goal is to create opportunities for racial and ethnic diversity in the justice system to match the people it serves.

Born and raised in Yakima, Morfin is the son of farm workers in the orchards of the Yakima Valley. He started his career as an entry-level office assistant at a personal injury firm and soon grew determined to become an attorney.

Morfin attended Yakima Valley Community College, Central Washington University, and Seattle University School of Law, where he began his commitment to volunteering and his community.

Since then, Morfin has earned numerous pro-bono and public-service awards, including an APEX Award for Pro Bono and Public Service from the Washington State Bar Association in 2018. He practices personal-injury and consumer-protection law in Kennewick, Washington.



*Edwardo Morfin*

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