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Spokane attorney Steven J. Dixon has been named to the Board of Directors of the Washington Coalition for Open Government (WCOG), a nonpartisan advocacy group that promotes accountability and transparency within government agencies in Washington State.

Mr. Dixon has experience in commercial and business litigation at Witherspoon Kelley, the Spokane firm he joined in 2006. He has also litigated public records issues and served as a volunteer attorney with the Student Press Law Center, a resource for students and student journalists.

"We're excited that Steve Dixon is joining the WCOG board. He's done excellent work on the Referendum 71 case, our Continuing Legal Education seminars, and other legal activities, and we look forward to having the benefit of his wisdom and energy on other Coalition programs," said Toby Nixon, president of WCOG. "We thank Witherspoon Kelley for their great support of WCOG and for supporting Steve in this new role."

The Washington Coalition for Open Government is an independent non-partisan non-profit organization founded in 2002 by a group of individuals representing organizations with a broad spectrum of opinions and backgrounds, all dedicated to the principles of strengthening the state's open government laws and protecting the public's access to government at all levels.

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