## WASHINGTON STATE BAR ASSOCIATION

## **NWLawyer Editorial Advisory Committee Meeting**

December 17, 2019 • 12 - 1 p.m. • St. Helens conference room, 6th floor

## **AGENDA**

- Roll call
- Staff: Kirsten Abel, Connor Smith, Jessica Randklev, Colin Rigley, Margaret Morgan.
- EAC Members: Karrin Klotz, Ralph Flick, Debra Lefing, Brittany Dowd, Michelle Young, Marc Lampson, Heidi Urness.
- EAC Liaison Report
  - Board of Governors voted on November 23 to change the name from *NWLawyer* magazine to *Washington State Bar News*. This change will take place in the APR/MAY issue of *Bar News*.
- Several new font and logo options for Bar News were circulated for discussion during the meeting.
- Letter from President Rajeev Majumdar to the EAC was sent November 24 in regards to the EAC presenting to the board on April 17 or 18 of 2020 at the April Board of Governors Meeting.
- Editor's Report: Review six-issue editorial calendar (need content for Apr/May, June, July/Aug, September)
  - o February Issue: need content for Black History Month.
  - o March issue: will center on legal education.
  - Apr/May Issue: likely be Law Day themed, potentially having 19<sup>th</sup> amendment related content for 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary.
  - June Issue: focus on Pride Month.
  - July/Aug Issue: lawyers in the arts focus.
  - September Issue: appellate law, need ideas and content.
- Story ideas
  - For the March legal education issue, a law school admissions focus and LSAT changes may be useful. Law schools are seeking to attract students from a wider variety of majors.
  - o Pride month Lavender Law Conference for attorneys.

- (each member should come with at least one story idea to share with the group)
- Housing laws and rent control and what communities are doing to navigate that.
- o IP law and film making.
- Arguing before the Washington State Supreme Court maybe written by staff appellate attorneys, how to think and frame your case before drafting a brief, what are the best practices.
- Supreme Court decision recaps.
- Significant case summaries in the magazine on a regular basis, written objectively.
- Review of December/January issue
  - Cover was very powerful and impressive!
  - The Around the World section in the November issue was great but no attorneys working in the public sector were included.
  - November issue was very interesting, lots of great articles. Credit should have been given to our very talented designer **Jessie** for the Around the World artwork! Like hearing the life stories from the awards and the 50year-members.
  - Download button having issue on backend for the magazine. Overall layout of the magazine is a lot better this year over last year. It's clear what an advertisement is and what is not. Online viewer is pretty good, can commit to looking at the digital copy.
  - o Ethics in the law article was relevant, useful, and important.
- Beyond the Bar Number solicitations (3 in reserve) need more submissions! Send it to someone you know.
- Questions/Good of the order/Announcements
- Upcoming meeting dates: January 21 (update on dates February and beyond),
   meeting dates to be moved to the third Wednesday of every month beginning Feb. 19.