

NWLawyer Editorial Advisory Committee Meeting

Dec. 12, 2018 • 12 - 1 p.m. • Rainier Room

- **EAC members:** Ralph Flick, Heidi Urness, Michael Cherry, Michelle Young, Daniel Himebaugh, Karrin Klotz, Benjamin Gould.
- **WSBA Staff:** Margaret Morgan, Renee McFarland, Sara Niegowski, Colin Rigley, Connor Smith
- Roll call
- **Report from Sara Niegowski:** Sara discusses current WSBA information regarding recent media from the *Seattle Times*. Discussion followed as to whether/how this might be addressed in *NWLawyer*.
- **EAC Liaison Report:** November issue delayed and became the December issue. Issue discusses the Supreme Court work group and restructure of the bar and Daniel's article on the U.S. Supreme Court opinion in *Janus*. Focus of December issue is on Native American issues and the *NWLawyer* Editorial Team wants to make sure the articles are 100% accurate information. Issue went to the printer on 12/11/2018. Usual schedule is a combined DEC/JAN issue. Because the November issue became the December issue, we will do a separate JAN issue so we still meet the 9 issues a year schedule.

Saga City Update: We met the new *NWLawyer* Sales Representative and talked strategy to boost *NWLawyer* advertising revenue and to increase the number of advertisers. Hopeful to reach out to new areas of advertising such as hotels, restaurants etc.

January is our annual 3-hour planning meeting and we would like input on what are things we should cover in meetings, especially for new members. Training from one of our diversity and inclusion specialists and the lens we look at *NWLawyer* through for the membership will be covered.

- **February Issue Run Sheet Report:** Renee gave her report for the upcoming February issue.
 - **Four lawyer-legislators** answer the same set of questions, including **how a background in law makes them more effective public servants, when they knew they wanted to get into politics, and what they miss about practicing law:** Seattle **Mayor Jenny Durkan** (D), Washington state **Senator Mike Padden** (R-Spokane Valley), U.S. **Representative Adam Smith** (D-9th District), and Washington state **Senator Sharon Brown** (R-Kennewick).
 - Wildfire Environmental Package:
 - **“Talking Fire with Empathy”:** Ralph Bloemers, Senior Staff Attorney at the Crag Law Center, writes about **how fire can be a positive influence on forest ecology, and that prevailing attitudes about fire don't always reflect good science**, and he provides a **historical context for how we view our recreation areas after a fire.**

- **“Forest Management Plans”**: Kirstin Gruver, an environmental law attorney, explains the **history of and future vision for Washington forest management plans**.
- **“Timber Law in Washington”**: Rosemary Boelens, a timber property management attorney, writes about **applying Washington timber law and policy to ensure forest health and recreational opportunities**.
- **“Mechanical Thinning: Don’t Try this at Home”**: Environmental law attorney Rachel Roberts shares her experience **working on a chainsaw crew in a forest thinning operation**, including how Kevlar saved her from dying on the job.
- **“Mindfulness: Research and Apps”**: UW Law Library Head of Research Services Anna Endter writes about how **mindfulness can make a big difference for lawyers**, and she shares **new research and apps to begin or further a mindfulness practice**.
- **“White Collar Crime Defense”**: Criminal defense attorney (and former EAC Chair) Isham Reavis looks at **the definition of white collar crime, as potentially classist and racist**, with comments from UW School of Law professor Scott Schumacher, who teaches a white collar crime course, and former federal public defender Tom Hillier. Reavis discusses **representing these clients**, and examines **the recent trend of low prosecution rates of these crimes**.
- “Behind the Scenes” coverage of WSBA programs: Communications Specialist Colin Rigley writes about the **custodianship program**. He interviewed Ethics/Custodianship Counsel Sandra Schilling.

Beyond the Bar Number: Marc Lampson, Bar # 14498

EAC Story Ideas Status:

- Bar Membership After *Janus* – Article to print for December issue, formerly the November issue.
- AIWR Article – interviews are in progress – **Karrin Klotz**
- Winery owner interviews scheduled, Yakima, Eastern Washington focus. – **Karrin Klotz**
- iPhone recording – Washington is a two-party consent system for recording. Problematic recording. **Michael Cherry** to work on article. Could be an interesting article regarding the legality of video surveillance and in the court room with audio recording or even in our daily life. Case in Bellevue on prostitution, dismissed because of audio recording by the police.
- Unfair towing fees, **Karrin Klotz** has contact who is a judge who would be willing to be interviewed, Karrin will reach out to her for further comment. (cost of taking an ambulance, another situation where you have no control over this cost).
- Equity MCLE credits – waiting on decision to move forward with article.
- Advice requests – **Ralph Flick** – how to handle being asked legal advice in social situations. Slated for July/August issue currently. (Ralph isn’t sure if he has the bandwidth to write it by May 1, may need to have someone else write it).
- Take Note potentially being used solicit anecdotes from members about being asked for legal advice in social situations. (Potential graphic treatment for email, or on other platforms)
- Behind the scenes of WSBA article – **Colin Rigley** – The stuff you didn’t learn in law school, the business side of being in law.
- Pro Bono and public service committee, may write article. – **Sara Niegowski**

- Beyond the Bar Number – Currently four in the pipeline and we are always seeking new submissions. Small town lawyers and Eastern Washington focuses are preferred.
- **Benjamin Gould** to reach out to someone in Germany for practicing abroad and being a WSBA number.
- **Miscellaneous Ideas:** Furthest member away, best legal sounding name, lowest bar number, what lawyer is practicing in the smallest town. (Column or Beyond the Bar Number or article). Features with photos, bios.

Upcoming Meetings:

February 13, March 13, April 10, May 8, June 5, July 10, August 7, September 11