WASHINGTON STATE BAR ASSOCIATION

WSBA Young Lawyer Liaison to Legal Assistance to Military Personnel Section Volunteer Position Description

The WSBA Young Lawyer Liaison (Liaison) to Sections Program creates an opportunity for a WSBA section and new or young lawyers to focus on strengthening the connection between a specific section and the new and young lawyer community. In collaboration with the section, Liaisons bring their perspective and connections to building educational programming, events, and other section activities tailored to new and young lawyer members.

Position overview:

Responsibilities include:

- Be prepared to provide report on WYLC activities at each executive committee meeting
- Work with WSBA New Member Education programs on behalf of the section
- Recruit new and young lawyers to join the section
- Act as leader for specific projects & tasks that may come up throughout year

The Liaison will serve as a non-voting advisory member of the section's executive committee.

Time commitment:

- Appointment is for up to a two-year term, beginning on or after October 1, 2019 and ending September 30, 2021.
- Liaisons are expected to attend an orientation with WSBA staff, to be scheduled upon appointment.
- Attend section executive committee meetings, and additional meetings as needed.
- There is an estimated additional 3-5 hours of section work per month.

Requirements: Liaisons must meet the WSBA young lawyer criteria on the start date of their term. Active members of the Bar shall be considered "young lawyers" until whichever occurs later:

- the last day of December of the year in which the member attains the age of 36, years, or
- until the last day of December of the fifth year after the year in which such member was first admitted to practice in any state.

While serving in this position, Liaisons must be a member of the section (section membership dues will be paid for by WSBA New Member Programs).

Preferred qualifications and skills:

- Dependability and accountability
- Collaboration and team work
- Problem-solving ability
- Experience volunteering with the section
- Experience developing new lawyer programs or benefits
- Connection to local YLD or other new lawyer networks



Benefits:

- Helping shape new lawyer programming within WSBA sections
- Leadership development
- Networking
- Increased knowledge of and access to WSBA resources for new lawyers
- Membership to Legal Assistance to Military Personnel Section at no cost to the Liaison

Reimbursement policy: This is an unpaid volunteer position. The section will not reimburse the Liaison's expenses for participating on the executive committee and in events. The section will reimburse for traveling to the Liaison orientation.

Selection and appointment process: The section executive committee reviews applications and selects a preferred and alternate candidate for appointment to the Liaison position.

For more information: See <u>https://www.wsba.org/for-legal-professionals/new-members/wsba-young-lawyer-liaisons-to-sections</u>

How to apply: Visit the <u>WSBA Young Lawyer Liaisons to Sections webpage</u> to apply. Questions about the application? Email <u>newmembers@wsba.org</u>.