

# WASHINGTON STATE BAR ASSOCIATION

## Advancement Department

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### **Functions:**

- Access to Justice
- Diversity and Inclusion Programs (external and internal facing)
- Public Service Programs
- Continuing Legal Education
- Webcasting & Video Production Services
- New Member Programs and Education
- Practice Management Assistance
- Member Benefits Administration
- Mentorship
- Rural Practice Project
- Sections Administration

### **Committees, Board, Panels:**

Access to Justice Board – Supreme Court created board and its committees coordinate and promote civil legal aid and access to the justice system for vulnerable populations

Council on Public Defense – addresses statewide policy issues and rules regarding the quality of indigent criminal defense services

CLE Committee – advises the WSBA CLE team on seminar topics, trends, and quality

Pro Bono and Public Service Committee – works to enhance a culture of legal service by promoting opportunities and best practices that encourage WSBA members to engage in pro bono and public service with a particular focus on services to people with low or moderate income

Diversity Committee – promotes historically underrepresented groups to enter, remain, thrive, and lead in the profession of law through collaborative relationships and community building activities that highlight the numerous societal benefits of a diverse law profession

Washington Young Lawyer Committee – helps to connect new and young lawyers to resources, support, and information

### **When will you hear from Advancement at BOG meetings?**

- Proposed rules and recommendations from the above committees and boards
- Periodic reports regarding WSBA recent and current strategic goals, including progress toward enhancing the culture of service and achieving the objects set forth in the WSBA Diversity and Inclusion Plan

- Requests or recommendations regarding significant changes to the direction or delivery of programs within the Department

**What is the BOG's role in ensuring success of this work?**

- Answer policy questions
- Help members understand the ways in which this work is a resource to them
- Provide strategic direction and clarity to the entities that support this work