

# WASHINGTON STATE B A R A S S O C I A T I O N

## Advancement Department

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### **Functions:**

- Professional Responsibility Program
- Member Wellness Program
- Practice Management Assistance
- Continuing Legal Education
- Webcasting & Video Production Services
- New Member Programs and Education
- Member Benefits Administration
- Mentorship Program
- Rural Practice
- Sections Administration

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

Small Town and Rural Council (STAR) - committed to strengthen and support the practice of law in rural communities throughout Washington state.

Committee on Professional Ethics - issues advisory opinions to address recurring or emerging ethics issues facing WSBA members.

Washington New Members Committee – helps to connect new and young members to resources, support, and information.

Section Executive Committees (29) – lead and develop various benefits for section members, including CLEs, networking events, donations, newsletters, and engagement in the legislative process.

Member Engagement Council - educate members in a proactive manner about WSBA's and Board of Governor's actions and work, to seek input and involve members in decision-making process, build relationship between members and WSBA governance and ensure ongoing updates to members on WSBA processes and measurement.

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

- Proposed rules, bylaw changes, and recommendations from the sections and above committees and boards
- Periodic reports regarding WSBA recent and current strategic goals, including provision of relevant and valuable resources to members.
- 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