

## **NWLawyer Editorial Advisory Committee Meeting**

Nov. 14, 2018 • 12 - 1 p.m. • Mt. Rainier Room

- **EAC members:** Heidi Urness, Karrin Klotz, Ruby Aliment, Michael Cherry, Ralph Flick
  - **WSBA Staff:** Margaret Morgan, Renee McFarland, Jina Constantine, Colin Rigley, Connor Smith
- Review October Issue:
- Roll call
  - Review October issue
    - a) Cover is very powerful, this issue did a better job of making clear where the ads are as distinguished from editorial content. Issue was very solid and history of pro bono and civil legal aid in WA state was very important.
    - b) Treasurer's Report – mentioned making *NWLawyer* cash flow neutral or cash flow positive.  
*NWLawyer* since Jan. 2018 has been using a professional company ad sales representative and ongoing discussions to expand the types of ads we run in the magazine. .
- BOG liaison Michael Cherry notes that the magazine is a way we touch many members of the legal community; doesn't need to operate at a cash-neutral level or at a profit
- c) EAC Chair likes the layout a lot, specifically page 13 starting, really like themed issues.
  - d) Question: Why is the reasoning for discipline not shown in the disciplinary notices in the magazine?  
  
\*It took a lot of staff time to summarize the facts and procedure from the pleadings in disciplinary cases, so this level of detail was removed a few years ago, and instead we provide links to all of the pleadings online.
  - e) Should a regular feature be done on attorneys doing pro bono work? Personal stories are impactful; consider doing day-in-the-life stories of WSBA members in various practices.
  - f) Liked that the WSBA was trying to show a serious tone to pro bono instead of the light and fluffiness – this issue really solidly showed pro bono work and was one of the more solid issues in the last two years of *NWLawyer*.
- Dec/Jan Run Sheet Review – Renee

- **“Looking Back”**: Raven Lidman, a Clinical Professor of Law at Seattle University since 1987, is nearing the end of her life. Now on hospice, she spoke with a long-time friend, colleague, and former client, Lisa Brodoff. As Brodoff’s attorney in 1989, Lidman helped Brodoff and her partner become the first lesbian couple to legally adopt a child in the state.
- **“The Evolution of Family and Court-Ordered Visitation: New Rights for Grandparents and Family Members”**: Family law attorney Jaime Walker writes about the “Grandparents’ Rights Statute,” (RCW 26.11), effective in June 2018, allowing grandparents and extended family standing to petition for visitation.
- **“Security for All: Would Universal Basic Income extend international human rights protections in the United States?”**: Martha Schmidt, employment law attorney and international human rights educator, writes a “Perspectives” column about how UBI could help to redress income inequality in the U.S., thereby advancing human rights and supporting our democracy. (This is another in a series of articles submitted by members of the World Peace Through Law Section.)
- **“The Mentorship Relationship”**: In recognition of January being Mentorship Month, Colin Rigley, WSBA Communications Specialist, profiles attorney mentorship relationships, provides thoughts from experts in the field, and answers questions such as how a new or young lawyer finds a mentor, what WSBA resources are available, what are the advantages for a mentor, and how do mentors impart their wisdom to less experienced lawyers.
- **Ethics and the Law Column, “Beyond Discipline: The RPCs and the Law of Lawyering,”** by Mark Fucile.
- **Section Spotlight**: The kick-off of a revival of this column. World Peace Through Law Chair Anna “Mickey” Moritz shares perspectives of several section members on why they belong to the section and what it means for their practices and for them personally.
- **“Behind the Scenes”** coverage of WSBA programs: Online Communications Specialist Noel Brady writes about the **Client Protection Fund**.
- **50-Year Luncheon Coverage**
- **APEX Awards and New Governors Swearing-In**: The new governors were profiled in the September 2018 *NWLawyer*. This article will mostly be photographs from the event.
- **Beyond the Bar Number**: Lisa Lombardi, Bar #27545

Comments:

- Michael Cherry – Letters from members should be run in regards to Mandatory Malpractice Insurance.

\*Margaret Morgan – 2 letters are being run in the Nov. Issue in regards to this.

- 2018/19 Editorial Calendar
  - a) Feb issue will focus on wildfires and forest management – Colin orchestrating and coordinating with authors to collate this issue.
  - b) March issue is focusing on Women’s History Month.
  - c) Apr/May issue is in development – possible “the grass is always greener,” featuring a lawyer from each county in WA on what practice is like there.
    - June issue – Food issue – agriculture and restaurants. (Karrin Klotz may be able to help with a lawyer-owner of a winery).

- Controversy over land use in Woodinville – Michael Cherry
  - Include cannabis/hemp products within agriculture issue? Cannabis farmers are farmers
- d) Jul/Aug issue – Idea around requests for legal advice lawyers get when at a cocktail party or BBQ and how to handle those type of questions. Issue will include summer reading list.

- Annual Planning meeting coming up on January 9, lunch will be included, a lot will get done!

Upcoming Meetings:

Dec. 12, Jan. 9