

**Washington State Bar Association
Construction Law Section Executive Committee Meeting
Wednesday, September 8, 2026 — 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM**

In Person Meeting

Ahlers Cressman & Sleight
1325 4th Ave., Suite 1850
Seattle, WA 98101

Option via Teams

Meeting ID: 262 536 120 495 752

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Option to dial in by phone

Phone Number: 207-387-1374

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Agenda

- Welcome
- Approval of July Meeting Minutes
- Financial Report
- Scholarship – T. Colburn, M. Kutsin, J. Leary, H. Fraga
 - Seattle University
 - M. Kutsin reporting
 - SU contact is Erin Fullner
 - University of Washington
 - J. Leary and H. Frago reporting
 - UW contacts are Kelsey La Bianca and William Langevin
 - Gonzaga University
 - T. Colburn reporting
 - GU contact is Sarah Guzman
 - Discussion
 - Status
- Subcommittee Updates and Assignments
 - CLE Committee – R. English, S. Millstein, B. Sinner
 - Discussion
 - Thank you gift for Kim Oakley?
 - Newsletter – Evan Brown and William Young
 - Update

- Social/Social Events – Erin Varriano and Travis Colburn
 - Mariners Report
- Community Outreach & DEI – Seth Millstein and Saki Yamada
 - Volunteer Opportunities
 - S. Millstein to report on potential dates (September/October?)
 - Construction for Change fundraiser?
- Law School Outreach – Travis Colburn and Rita Kutsin
 - Updates on Lunch with Lawyers events
 - Intersession – On Hold Indefinitely
- Social Media – Cynthia Park and Rita Kutsin
 - Report on posts & engagement
- Elections Committee: Saki Yamada, Bryce Sinner, and Evan Brown
 - Update
- Legislative Committee: Erin Varriano, Jackie Jensen Erler, and Saki Yamada
 - Update
- Lifetime Achievement Award/Awards Committee: Seth Millstein
 - Update
- Conclusion
 - Discussion of new cases or statutes.
 - Additional comments or announcements.
 - Kerry Lawrence effort to revise the lien statute? Evan Brown list of proposed changes?
- Adjourn

**WSBA Construction Law Section
Executive Committee Roster (2025–2026)**

Officers:

- Chair: R. Bryce Sinner
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- Chair Elect: Masaki Yamada
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Attendance

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