



## Civil Rights Law Section

WASHINGTON STATE BAR ASSOCIATION

Executive Committee Meeting

MEETING MINUTES  
WSBA – Civil Rights Law Section  
May 17, 2021  
(DRAFT)

PRESENT: Tobin Klusty, Laura Sierra, Chalia Stallings, Molly Matter, Stephan Yhann, Cam Sheldon

1. **Motions to adopt/amend April minutes – postponed until next EC meeting since quorum not established**
2. **CLE Reminder:** CRLS & World Peace Through Law (WPTL) is presenting “The War on Drugs: A Domestic and International Driving Force of Mass Incarceration” tomorrow, May 18, 2021, from 12:55 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.
  - Will provide attendees with brief history of War on Drugs and its contribution to mass incarceration; an international perspective on the War on Drugs; and steps we can take to develop a rehabilitative system as opposed to a punitive one.
  - Speakers include: Dr. Charissa Fotinos (WA Health Care Authority); Katherine Beckett (UW); Adria Cots Fernández (Int’l Drug Policy Consortium); Salvador Mungia (GTH)
3. **Legislative Research Updates:**
  - Research:
    - i. Important to convey clearly what we want to track (and how) from WSBA;
    - ii. Be mindful of who our contacts are at WSBA (e.g., Russell, etc.)
    - iii. Improve on community outreach; &
    - iv. Improve on goal setting.
  - Reach out to Russell/WSBA to put legislation we are currently tracking on the CRLS website.
4. **CRLS & ELUL Law School Networking Event**
  - Law school students are eager to be involved and attend future events. Goal is to plan at least one law school networking event hosted by CRLS this session.
  - Will use platform designed by ELUL for networking event, which includes have speakers, prizes, and randomized breakout rooms for participants.
5. **Community Connections Committee Update(s)**
  - AIDNW has not confirmed HH date yet. Molly will reach out to confirm dates.
  - Discussed having continuous HHs for members interested in voting rights issues.

Meeting adjourned.