

# Elder Law Section

OCTOBER 1, 2021 – SEPTEMBER 30, 2022

The **ELDER LAW SECTION** seeks to improve understanding by members of the Washington State Bar Association of matters related to the representation of elderly citizens, recognizing that these individuals have unique legal needs and may be isolated, ill, or vulnerable to undue influence or exploitation. Issues commonly discussed relate to retirement and estate planning; powers of attorney, guardianship and other forms of substitute decision making; private and public long-term care and other healthcare financing; and abuse of vulnerable individuals.

## SECTION ACCOMPLISHMENTS

**2** Co-sponsored CLEs  
w/WSBA

**4** Legislative Bills

**\$8,000** Scholarships/Donations/Grants

## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YEAR

- Hosted two CLE programs on issues impacting older adults.
- Monitored legislation impacting older adults, shared legislative information with members, and provided comment to the legislature when necessary.
- Maintained an active list serve for Section members to collaborate and consult on elder law issues.
- Sponsored a summer intern to provide legal assistance to low-income seniors at a nonprofit legal aid organization.

## TOTAL MEMBERSHIPS

**626**

as of Dec. 31, 2022

Young Lawyers 10.06%

### WA COUNTY

King County 40.10%

Peninsula & Southern WA 16.61%

Central & Eastern WA 16.45%

Northern WA 8.31%

### FIRM TYPE

Public Sector/Government 4.31%

In-House 2.08%

Solo 40.10%

Small Firm (2 - 10) 43.77%

Medium Firm (11 - 50) 8.95%

Large Firm (51+) 3.19%

## SECTION FINANCIAL REVIEW

Dues \$35.00

Total Revenue (actual) \$38,291.76

Total Expenses (actual) \$19,137.22

Total Fund Balance (actual) \$110,464.95

### EXPENSES (ACTUAL)

■ Member Benefits \$8,000.00 41.80%

■ Per-Member Charge \$10,849.22 56.69%

■ CLE-Related \$0.00 0.00%

■ Executive Committee \$288.00 1.50%

