Rodney Tullett Chair WSBA IP Section

Re: At-Large Member, WSBA Intellectual Property Section

Dear Mr. Tullett,

I hope this Statement of Interest finds you well. In accordance with WSBA IP Section bylaws 4.02(C) and 5.05.B, I am honored to submit my candidacy for the role of Class II At-Large Member of the WSBA IP Section Executive Committee.

At-Large Members of the IP Section are expected to provide commitment to, or interest in, the subject of intellectual property in all its forms. From the start of my legal journey—extensive law school coursework at Seattle University, professional networking, and a <u>published note</u> discussing IP in legal academia—to my career in firm work and corporate analytics, I have demonstrated a significant professional investment in intellectual property's many joys and challenges.

In my career, in both a boutique firm environment as well as corporate legal work, I have developed an ability to work with a team to accomplish goals, a necessary skill for Committee members hoping to plan CLE's and represent the needs of the Section's members. With Seattle continuing to operate as the technology hub of the country, a strong statewide IP Section with competitive offerings and networking opportunities is mandatory. If given the chance, I would work with other At-Large Members and Officers to make this happen over the course of my two-year term.

Further, my volunteer experience in the community at Sound Generations of Seattle demonstrates a connection to the city's heart and soul, as well as dependability in times of uncertainty. I have developed and demonstrated an ability to create and execute projects from start to finish with empathy and a personal touch. My experience in firm work, volunteering, and conducting precise and diligent legal research for the global corporation Thomson Reuters make me an exceptional candidate for this position on the Executive Committee.

Thank you for your consideration, and I look forward to the potential opportunity of serving as an At-Large member of the Section.

Cheers,

Samantha K. Lyons