

WASHINGTON STATE B A R A S S O C I A T I O N

WSBA SECTION ANNUAL REPORT

FY 2024: October 1, 2023 – September 30, 2024

The mission of the Washington State Bar Association is to serve the public and the members of the Bar, to ensure integrity of the legal profession, and to champion justice.

Instructions: In accordance with the WSBA Bylaws, Committees, Other Bar Entities (excluding Regulatory Boards^j), Councils, and Sections must submit an annual report to the Executive Director. The information below should reflect the activities and outcomes from the fiscal year October 1, 2023 – September 30, 2024. Information in the annual report will be provided to the Executive Director and Board of Governors, and may be published for other purposes, such as *Bar News*, volunteer recruitment messaging, and other WSBA activity-based reporting.

It is recommended that completion of the annual report be a collaborative effort with members of your entity, the BOG liaison, and staff liaison.

Submission Deadline is Friday, October 11: please submit by emailing to Carolyn MacGregor (carolynm@wsba.org).

Name of Section:	LEGAL ASSISTANCE OF MILITARY PERSONNEL (LAMP)
Chair or Co-Chairs:	Chair: Stephen Carpenter, Past Chair: Paul Apple
Staff Liaison: <i>(include name, job title, and department if known)</i>	Carolyn MacGregor, Sections Program Specialist, Advancement Department
Board of Governors Liaison:	Todd Bloom
Purpose: <i>May be stated in Bylaws, Charter, Court Rule, etc.</i>	
LAMP addresses matters related to the rendition of appropriate and efficient legal service to members of the armed forces of the United States.	
Strategy to Fulfill Purpose:	
Promoting the objectives of the WSBA with respect to military affairs. Establishing liaison between the WSBA, the Armed Forces of the United States, and federal, state, and local government agencies involved in military and veteran affairs to better serve the legal needs of the servicemembers and their dependents. Providing information to licensed legal professionals, both active duty and reserve. Encouraging continuing legal education to foster the ability to provide legal representation to military personnel, veterans and their dependents within the state of Washington	

<p>How does the section's purpose help further the mission of the WSBA "to serve the public and the members of the Bar, to ensure integrity of the legal profession, and to champion justice"?</p>	
<p>Washington State is home to a large military community that is continually seeking legal guidance on significant assortment of legal issues. This community is composed of Veterans, Active Duty and Reserve Servicemembers and their dependents.</p>	
<p>Top 2023 -2024 Section Accomplishments:</p>	
<p>LAMP maintains a Facebook and LinkedIN social media presence; LAMP members presented CLE materials regarding: 1) the Military Discharge Upgrade Process for Gay Service Members discharged under Don't Ask, Don't Tell policy. And 2) The Current and Future Policy changes affecting current Military LGBTQ Service Members, as part of the WSBA LGBTQ Section's CLE Defending Gay Service Members presentation. In addition LAMP presented its own CLE regarding The New Hybrid Military Justice Reforms in 2024.</p>	
<p>Next Fiscal Year: 2024-2025 Top SMART Goals & Priorities: <i>Tip: SMART Goals are: Specific Measurable, Relevant and Time-Bound</i> Use this worksheet (under 'Leadership') to develop your SMART goals and then summarize below in 1-2 sentences.</p>	
1	Increase our membership and CLE participation
2	Join resources with the WA AG's Office of Military and Veteran Legal Assistance and the Washington Veterans Bar Association
3	
<p>Looking Ahead: Please share any long-term goals and/or priorities that your entity aims to address.</p>	
1	Partner with the ATG Military Liaison office to connect other organizations to the community with Legal Help in the form of: Pro Bono Volunteers, Legal Aid Programs, Self-help Materials, Programs in Other States.
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<p>Please describe how this entity is addressing diversity, equity, and inclusion: <i>How have you elicited input from a variety of perspectives in decision-making? What have you done to promote a culture of inclusion within the board or committee? What has your committee/board done to promote equitable conditions for members from historically underrepresented backgrounds to enter, stay, thrive and eventually lead in the profession? Other?</i></p>	
<p>Please share feedback regarding the support and engagement provided by WSBA. <i>For example:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quality of WSBA staff support/services, including technology solutions • Involvement with Board of Governors, including assigned BOG liaison 	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ideas you have on ways WSBA can continue to strengthen/support your entity. 		
<p>Please quantify your section's 2023-2024 member benefits:</p> <p><i>For example:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$3000 Scholarships, donations, grants awarded; 4 mini-CLEs produced 		
	Co-sponsored half-day, full-day and/or multi-day CLE seminars with WSBA	
	Co-sponsored half-day, full-day and/or multi-day CLE seminars with <i>non</i> -WSBA entity.	
	Receptions/forums hosted or co-hosted	
5000	\$ amount given through donations/scholarships/grants.	
	Newsletters/publications produced	
1	Mini-CLEs produced	
	New Lawyer Outreach events/benefits	
	Recognitions/Awards given	
	Other (please describe):	
<p align="center">SECTION DATA <i>To Be Completed by WSBA Sections Team</i></p>		
Section Membership Information:	66	Membership Size: <i>(As of September 30, 2024)</i>
	\$3,752	FY24 Revenue (\$): For Sections Only: <i>As of September 30, 2024</i>
	\$390	\$5,612 Budgeted and Direct Expenses: <i>Does not include the Per-Member-Charge. For Direct Expenses, draft estimate as of December 3, 2024.</i>
Section Executive Committee Information:	10 members: Still need to fill Vice Chair Position, YLD, NWJP , Law Student Liaison Positions	Size of Executive Committee: <i>(include and specify voting and non-voting positions)</i>

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	5	Number of Vacancies for FY25: <i>The number of positions with terms beginning October 1, 2024 (FY25).</i>
	2	Number of Applicants for FY25: <i>Applications submitted in the Spring-Summer of 2024 for terms beginning October 1, 2024 (FY25)</i>

ⁱ Supreme Court Boards (Access to Justice Board, Disciplinary Board, LLLT Board, Limited Practice Board, MCLE Board and Practice of Law Board) provide annual reports to WSBA to support its responsibility under [GR 12.3](#), to provide oversight and monitor compliance with applicable rules and orders. Boards have the option to use the WSBA template or to share their annual reports to the Washington Supreme Court.