

Washington State Legal Mentorship Programs

Name	Contact Info.	Overview	Major Events	Other Info.
Asian Bar Association of Washington (ABAW)	Jeff Liang: Jeff@JeffLiangLaw.com	Basic Format: 3 to 4 person mentorship group comprised of a law student, a senior attorney, and a junior attorney.	Formal networking meeting on July 22 at the American Arbitration Association. Networking time includes role play and mock interviews. Second and third formal events held on Sept. 21, 2010 at Seattle University School of Law and Nov. 4, 2010, at Thoa's Restaurant in downtown Seattle.	ABAW's program has a formal and an informal component. Formal: meeting of all participants. Informal: individual meetings.
The Cardozo Society	Jon Zimmerman: jonzimmerman@gmail.com	Eligible participants include Jewish judges, attorneys and law students. The program makes a pairing once a practitioner can be secured in a practice area similar to a law student's area of interest.	N/A	A Starbucks card is provided to the mentor to facilitate the first meeting with the mentee. The bulk of mentors and mentees are in the Seattle area. Students from Spokane interested in participating are having problem finding mentors.
Gonzaga University School of Law	Nancy Fike, Director of Alumni Relation: nfike@lawschool.gonzaga.edu	The 1L program pairs incoming law students with alumni in the Spokane area. The program has identified six discrete goals for the mentor-mentee relationship, including introducing law students to the legal community and facilitating networking opportunities, instilling pride in the legal practice, and exposing students to the practice of law.	N/A	Gonzaga is implementing a new mentorship program call the E-Mentoring Program. It targets 2L and 3L student. It will try to match students with practitioners in their desired geographic practice area, as opposed to the 1L program, which is locally based. E-Mentoring participants will communicate with their mentors primarily by email and telephone, but the school expects that students will attempt to meet their mentors at least once in person.
Korean American Bar Association (KABA)	James Chung: jameschung@gmail.com Kristin Joe: Kristin.H.Joe@irs.counsel.treas.gov	KABA lets mentors and mentees determine the nature of their relationship rather than imposing requirements. Participants are asked to initiate and maintain contact amongst themselves.	January is the month where the mentor program is actively promoted.	KABA has asked mentors to be mindful of the current economic climate and offer students advice on networking and job searches.

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<p>Latina/o Bar Association of Washington (LBAW)</p>	<p>Patricia Lally: Patricia.Lally@usdoj.gov</p> <p>Fe Lopez, President-elect lopezf@seattleu.edu</p>	<p>The program will match mentees with mentors in their desired practice area, and is open to all 1L students.</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Long-distance mentoring has been discussed as a possibility.</p>
<p>Mothers Attorneys Mentoring Association of Seattle (MAMAS)</p>	<p>Mentorship program for 2010-2011 is administered by Molly Powell and Amy Colando, who can be contacted at mentoring@mamaseattle.org</p>	<p>Mentees are law student mothers, first-time and soon-to-be mothers who are currently attorneys. The program pairs law student mothers or junior mother attorneys with more senior-level mother attorneys. The goal of the program is to help mothers in their dual roles as both parents and attorneys by providing advice and encouragement.</p>	<p>MAMAS hosts a Mentor Program kickoff reception once a year in the fall. The reception is an opportunity for past, current and prospective mentees and mentors to meet.</p>	<p>The program is focused on practitioners and students in Seattle, Tacoma and surrounding areas. Mentors and mentees are matched in the fall of each year.</p>
<p>QLaw</p>	<p>Michael Sclafani: sclafanm@seattleu.edu</p>	<p>Roughly 30 participating students are matched with QLaw member attorneys based on the student's preferred practice area.</p>	<p>QLaw hosts a kickoff event during the fall semester to introduce students to their mentors.</p>	<p>Majority of the pairings are for Seattle University and University of Washington law students. Long-distance mentorship was accommodated for Gonzaga University students.</p>
<p>South Asian Bar Association of Washington (SABAW)</p>	<p>Rajiv Sarathy: RSarathy@perkinscoie.com</p>	<p>The program is open to any student that would like to be paired with a South Asian mentor.</p>	<p>Participants arrange their own meetings.</p>	<p>Pairings are usually made randomly, unless students have a preferred practice area.</p>
<p>Seattle University School of Law</p>	<p>Fe Lopez, Assistant Director of Student Affairs: lopezf@seattleu.edu</p>	<p>Seattle University administers two different mentorship programs for its 1L students: student with a 2L or 3L mentor, and student with a professional practitioner.</p>	<p>Forms and information are provided during orientation.</p>	<p>Participation in both programs is optional. The student-practitioner program is administered directly by the school; the student-student program is sponsored and implemented by the Women's Law Caucus, though participation is not limited to women.</p>
<p>University of Washington School of Law</p>	<p>Mary Hotchkiss, Associate Dean: hotchma@uw.edu</p>	<p>The program was designed to serve minority students with no family connection to the legal field. Now, the program has expanded to include all first-year students.</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Matches are made with an eye towards common interests or backgrounds, such as practice areas, military background, and institutions of undergraduate study.</p>

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<p>Vietnamese American Bar Association of Washington (VABAW)</p>	<p>Martin Le: MLe@perkinscoie.com</p> <p>Sinjin Dinh: SinhS@foster.com</p>	<p>VABAW offers an annual mentorship program that pairs law students with practicing attorneys. Pairings were determined by participants' law schools and interests, both legal and non-legal.</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>In the past two academic years, the program has facilitated six mentor-mentee pairings per year.</p> <p>The bulk of VABAW's program participants are from University of Washington and Seattle University School of Law. Participation by Gonzaga students is unusual, due to location and demographics.</p>
<p>Washington Women Lawyers (WWL)</p>	<p>Alexandra Filutoswski: Alexandra@filutowskilaw.com</p>	<p>The King County Chapter of WWL recently started an informal job shadowing program that it hopes will develop mentoring relationships between students and practitioners. Students are paired with attorneys and spend 4-6 hours with them at work.</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>The program has only been active since this summer of 2010.</p>