

## **WSBA Senior Lawyers Section**

### **Annual Report for 2007-2008**

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Another successful Section Annual Meeting/CLE was held on May 2, 2008, at the Sea-Tac Marriott, with 233 senior lawyers and faculty in attendance. Headline speakers included Justice Mary E. Fairhurst of the Washington Supreme Court speaking on "From the Flintstones to the Jetsons: Working Across Generations"; Dean Kelly Testy from Seattle University School of Law addressing "Current Developments in Legal Education"; and Paul N. Luvera, instructing on "The Advocacy Process: Mastering Persuasion Strategies". A reception following the seminar was hosted by BECU Trust Company. Excellent support was provided by WSBA staff members Barbara Konior, Jennifer Keene and Heather Balch.

The Section's periodic newsletter, "Life Begins ...", edited by Carole Grayson, contained its usual mix of interesting and informative articles during the year.

This year the Section initiated a grant project and received four excellent proposals. It awarded a \$10,000 grant to the Plymouth Housing Group for its Simons Senior Apartments Legal Clinic.

In response to a request from the Board of Governors as to its position whether all Sections of the WSBA should be required to include "subscribers" in their membership, the Executive Committee advised the Board that each Section should be permitted to make its own decision as to whether or not to have such a classification of members. The Bylaws of the Senior Lawyers Section presently contain a provision for subscribers.