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# Young Lawyer Liaisons to WSBA Sections

**Purpose**
A mutually beneficial relationship:
1) integrating new lawyers into the WSBA Sections;
2) assisting sections to develop the leadership and practice skills of new professionals; and,
3) connecting the sections with the young lawyers leadership in WSBA.

**Appointment and Term**
For each section who would like a liaison, the Washington Young Lawyers Committee (WYLC) solicits applicants and appoints a young lawyer to serve. The WYLC will consider feedback from the section executive committees in making the appointments. The term is one year, October 1st through September 30th. Liaisons may reapply to serve additional terms.

**Responsibilities**
*For the Section:*

- Create a clear communication channel for your liaison. For some sections, this has meant the liaison serves on the executive committee, for others, the liaison has communicated regularly with the chair.
- Determine if funding should be allocated for the liaison to attend executive committee meetings, or for the section to host events/programming specifically targeted at new lawyers. The WYLC does not have funding available for the liaisons.
- Provide opportunities for your liaison to give input, work on section projects, and develop their bar leadership skills and knowledge of the practice area.

*For the Liaison:*

- Serve as a link between the WYLC and a WSBA Section
  - Maintain communication with the leadership of your assigned section
  - Participate in section activities and work with leadership to define your role
  - Submit a written report when prompted by the WYLC
  - Stay aware of WYLC events (like Open Section Night or New Lawyer Education programs) and look for opportunities to include your section members and executive committee
- Assist your section to collaborate with new/young lawyers
  - Work with your section to identify and develop its value to new lawyers
  - Recruit new lawyers to participate in section events, membership, and leadership
  - Correspond with young lawyers to understand how section membership could support them
  - Disseminate information about relevant section and WYLC activities