



## **BAR NO. 47028**

*Redmond, WA*

I am licensed to practice law in Washington State (USA), England & Wales (UK), and Punjab (Pakistan). I am an educator at heart, and love teaching and sharing whenever I can; I volunteer and resources because sharing makes the world a better place.

# UZMA HAMID

Candidate for At-Large

## **WHAT IS YOUR UNDERSTANDING OF THE ROLE OF THE WSBA BOARD OF GOVERNORS AND HOW DO YOU INTEND TO FULFILL THE ROLE AND ITS OBLIGATIONS?**

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I would like to start with the mission of our Bar: to serve the public and its members, to ensure integrity of our profession and to champion justice. WSBA accomplishes that with different entities, and the Board is at the heart of it all. A Governor is a liaison facilitating the flow of information so issues are highlighted, and solutions can be formulated. I am a good candidate because of my diverse experience and background, the rich perspective I bring to the table, the hardships I have lived through as a minority in this profession, and as an individual.

## **HOW HAVE YOU DEMONSTRATED YOUR UNDERSTANDING AND SUPPORT OF THE WSBA MISSION TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC AND THE MEMBERS OF THE BAR, TO ENSURE THE INTEGRITY OF THE LEGAL PROFESSION AND TO CHAMPION JUSTICE?**

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After moving to the US and passing the Bar, I faced a host of challenges finding a position as a lateral attorney, because my experience and education were foreign. I had a choice: give up on law or make something of it. I changed my career from practicing law to selling real estate but continued to maintain my bond with the legal profession as a volunteer. I maintain my licenses just so I can help someone in need whenever a situation arises. The legal profession does not pay my bills, but I continue to serve the public and my profession.

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