

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

Advancement Department

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Functions:

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- Professional Responsibility Program
- Member Wellness Program
- Practice Management Assistance
- Continuing Legal Education
- Webcasting & Video Production Services
- New Member Programs and Education
- Member Benefits Administration
- Mentorship
- Rural Practice Project
- Sections Administration

Committees, Board, Panels:

Small Town and Rural Committee (STAR) - committed to strengthen and support the practice of law in the rural communities throughout Washington state.

Committee on Professional Ethics - issues advisory opinions to address recurring or emerging ethics issues facing WSBA members.

CLE Committee – advises the WSBA CLE team on seminar topics, trends, and quality

Washington New Members Committee – helps to connect new and young lawyers to resources, support, and information.

Member Wellbeing Task Force - seeks to (1) study well-being among WSBA members and the broader legal community in Washington and (2) makes recommendations to enhance well-being for those same individuals and thereby improve the provision of legal services.

When will you hear from Advancement at BOG meetings?

- Proposed rules, bylaw changes, and recommendations from the sections and above committees and boards
- Periodic reports regarding WSBA recent and current strategic goals, including provision of relevant and valuable resources to members.
- Requests or recommendations regarding significant changes to the direction or delivery of programs within the Department

What is the BOG's role in ensuring success of this work?

- Answer policy questions

- Help members understand the ways in which this work is a resource to them
- Provide strategic direction and clarity to the entities that support this work