

WASHINGTON STATE BAR ASSOCIATION

BOARD OF GOVERNORS COMMITTEE AND LIAISON APPOINTMENTS 2023-2024

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Each WSBA committee and section has a liaison from the Board of Governors. The expectation of BOG Liaisons is as follows:

- Serve as a conduit of information and intermediary between committees, sections, and the Board.
- Serve as a resource for information about the Board and its activities to the assigned committees and sections.
- Contact Section or Committee Chair early in the fiscal year (Fall) to establish lines of communication.

Activities that require BOG action should be discussed with both BOG Liaison and Staff Liaison prior to submission to the BOG. Please consult the following Guide and Template for such work.

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