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**WSBA 101** 

### **TERRA NEVITT**

WSBA Interim Executive Director

- WSBA history, mission and guiding principles
  Programs and services to support you

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#### WSBA MISSION STATEMENT

The Washington State Bar Association's mission is to serve the public and the members of the Bar, ensure the integrity of the legal profession, and to champion justice.

#### **MISSION FOCUS AREAS**

- Ensuring Competent and Qualified Legal Professionals Cradle to Grave
  - Regulation and Assistance
- Promoting the Role of Legal Professionals in Society
  - Service
     Professionalism

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WHAT DOES THE BAR DO?

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#### THREE LICENSE TYPES

- Lawyers
- · Limited Practice Officers (LPOs)
- · Limited License Legal Technicians (LLLTs)

\*2019 approx

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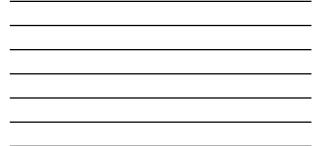
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# DISCIPLINE

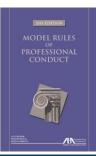
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#### GR 12.2 Washington State Bar Association Purposes

Rule 12.2(a)(7): "[T]he Washington State Bar Association strives to ... [a]dminister ... discipline of its members in a manner that protects the public and respects the rights of the ... member."



## **RULES OF** PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT



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#### WSBA OFFICE OF DISCIPLINARY COUNSEL

Answers public inquiries and informally resolves disputes
 Receives, reviews, and may investigate grievances
 Recommends disciplinary action or dismissal
 Diverts grievances involving less serious misconduct
 Recommends disability proceedings
 Presents cases to discipline-system adjudicators

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WSBA Office of Disciplinary Counsel	Hearing Officers	Disciplinary Board	Washington Supreme Court	
(ODC) Receives, reviews, and may investigate grievances	<ul> <li>Conduct public disciplinary hearings and other proceedings</li> </ul>	Reviews ODC     recommendations and     dismissals	•Has exclusive authority over system	
Recommends disciplinary action or dismissal	<ul> <li>Approve stipulations to admonition and reprimand</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Reviews hearing records and stipulations</li> </ul>	Conducts appellate review     Orders suspensions, disbarments, interim suspensions &	
hearing and on appeal			reciprocal discipline	
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