

WASHINGTON STATE BAR ASSOCIATION

WSBA Family Law Section Executive Committee Volunteer Position Description

Serving as member of the Family Law Executive Committee affords family law legal practitioners the opportunity to give back to the family law legal community, to improve family law in the State of Washington and to provide input to the WSBA overall with regard to family law issues. Serving on the WSBA Family Law Section Executive Committee provides a professional development opportunity to strengthen leadership skills and build connections with the statewide legal community. Many find leading a section to be a rewarding experience because of the leadership growth, professional development, firsthand experience with the legislative process, and the collegiality it offers. Executive Committee discussions can be productive and challenging, offering a unique opportunity to work with other legal professionals in a goal-oriented setting that benefits WSBA members of the greater legal community.

Time Commitment:

- All section executive committee positions begin October 1 each year.
- All section executive committee members are strongly encouraged to attend all section meetings, events, and section executive committee meetings. These events and meetings may be held in different locations around the state of Washington.
- On average, section executive committees meet at least six times per year for 4-6 hours with additional meetings occurring as needed. Executive Committee meetings are generally conducted in-person but others may be held via telephone or other means. Meetings may be scheduled during regular business hours, after hours or on a Saturday. Visit the Family Law Section's website to review the meeting and event schedule or contact a member of the current executive committee for more specific information.
- The Family Law Section, at times, has subcommittees that meet in addition to regularly scheduled executive committee meetings.

Requirements:

- Members of the Family Law Section executive committee must be Active members of the WSBA and active members of the Family Law Section.
- Members are elected to serve a three year term or to fill the unexpired terms of prior Executive Committee members.

Welcomed Qualifications and Skills:

- Demonstrated commitment to or interest in family law
- Volunteer experience
- Ability to problem-solve in a group/team environment
- Dependability

Reimbursement Policy:

This is an unpaid volunteer position. Some expenses for meeting attendance will be reimbursed according to the WSBA Fiscal Policies, the Family Law Section's policies and within the section's budget parameters.

Selection and Appointment Process:

The Family Law Section Nominations Committee actively solicits Family Law Section members to run for the Family Law Executive Committee but also encourages self-nomination. All executive committee member positions are elected by a

vote of the eligible section membership.

How to Apply: Log into your MyWSBA account and select “My Profile.” Click on Section Executive Committee Application, and complete the application. Be sure to click “ADD” after selecting your position. **The deadline for applications is May 3.**