

NWLawyer Editorial Advisory Committee Meeting

April 10, 2019 • 12 - 1 p.m. • St. Helens conference room, 6th floor

- Roll call
- **EAC members:** Benjamin Gould, Karrin Klotz, Michelle Young, Marla Fox, Heidi Urness, Ralph Flick
- **WSBA Staff:** Kirsten Abel, Margaret Morgan, Connor Smith, Jessica Randklev, Sara Niegowski, Colin Rigley
- **Introductions:** new *NWLawyer* Editor Kirsten Abel and Graphic Designer Jessica Randklev.
- **EAC Liaison Report** – Liaison duties have been handed off to Kirsten Abel, new *NWLawyer* Editor.

May 7th planning meeting will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.; hope to have quorum and have as many people in person as possible. Lunch will be provided and training from our WSBA Diversity and Inclusion Specialist. Applicants for EAC are being reviewed, More than half applied to only the EAC. We are likely to recommend all of them and then the BOG will make their decision as to who will be appointed.

Discussion of recent events, media coverage of WSBA, Bar Structure Work Group: Difficulty in covering rapidly unfolding events in *NWLawyer* because of the lead time to get the magazine to press. Coverage can become out of date. Notwithstanding, *NWLawyer* should give members a voice and also provide fair and balanced coverage of decisions as they are reached (e.g., on malpractice insurance, Bar Structure Work Group recommendations, etc.) (Sara N).

Bar Structure Work Group and any other WSBA-related updates to be added to EAC agenda each month for discussion. (Ralph Flick).

- **Review/critique of the March issue of *NWLawyer*:**
 - I like that we have theme issues, I think it should be more clear that is a theme by putting it on the cover and photos should be reflective of that. Really enjoyed the photos and graphics used in the March issue for wildfire articles, thought articles were well researched and thorough. (Karrin Klotz)*
 - Really liked the wildfire theme for March, used different authors with multiple perspectives, can be harder to do but made the issue very solid, as opposed to having one or two authors with different perspectives. Really enjoyed the mindful meditation article content wise. (Marla Fox)*
 - Read the Civic Duty article and thought the comments from the elected officials were very anodyne—given the politicians' roles we shouldn't expect them to say anything interesting. (Benjamin Gould)*
 - Responses were carefully worded due to their positions in office. (Margaret Morgan)*
 - Article responses were put through the PR machine. (Sara N.)*
 - An EAC member should take the lead on the review of each issue (just an idea) will visit this idea in May for a decision. (Ralph Flick).*

- **Editor's Report: Review six-issue editorial calendar**

- a) We are working towards hard editorial deadlines beginning with the May issue. The April issue should be in mailboxes by April 22 or sooner. Goal is to move out the send date closer to the 1st of each month. Seeking to plan out themed issues further and further out moving forward.
- b) Seeking content for *NWLawyer* beginning with the September issue. May issue should be sent to printer by mid-April.
- c) July/August is pretty full: "cocktail party law" will be using a Google form to solicit submissions from attorneys as to requests they've gotten for legal advice while at a social event.
- d) Content is mostly all in for June—thank you to Karrin for your article submission and for coordinating another article.
- e) September Tech/Privacy issue on deck. "Deepfakes" article likely to be cover story, Michael Cherry submitted a story which will also be included. We are open to story ideas, author suggestions, and submission for this issue.

- **Story ideas:**

- Link to Google Docs spreadsheet for tracking story ideas:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1Zr0Qj7GTO8ZSI7YsECTsEQXF3ZMlgAuLFz4S3SVmYU8/edit?usp=sharing>

Homelessness and how major cities deal with this in a legal aspect, idea for a themed issue. (Karrin Klotz)

Access to justice ideas, the issues cities have to deal with. (Karrin Klotz)

How cities and counties deal with mental health issues (Ralph Flick)

More cities and counties (government) *outside Seattle* focus. (Colin Rigley)

Interview retired political leaders regarding government invoking emergency powers. Use a public records request to get more details. (Marla Fox). Staff would need to review that (Margaret Morgan)

Pro bono and civil legal aid anecdotal stories, potential for a Section Spotlight. (Colin Rigley)

- Beyond the Bar Number solicitations (3 in reserve)

- Looking ahead to May 7 annual planning meeting

- Questions/Good of the order/Announcements

- Upcoming meeting dates in 2019 (all are noon to 1 p.m. except May 7):

May 7 (annual planning meeting, 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.; please rsvp), June 5, July 10, August 7, September 11

Look for Karrin's article in the April issue!! (Great article)