

Bar News Editorial Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

November 18, 2020 • 12 - 1 p.m. • Via Zoom videoconferencing (virtual only)

AGENDA

- Roll call
- **EAC Members:** Ralph Flick, Marc Lampson, Brittany Dowd, Allison Foreman, Nick Valera, Shanna Lisberg, Karrin Klotz, Zachary Ashby.
- **WSBA Staff:** Kirsten Abel, Colin Rigley, Connor Smith, Sara Niegowski, Margaret Morgan.
- EAC Liaison Report
 - Molly Matter's letter to the Board referencing Michael Bond's letter to the editor published in *Bar News* and possible responses to Ms. Matter's letter, were discussed.
- Editor's Report: Review six-issue editorial calendar
 - A handful of specific story ideas for consideration by the EAC:
 - Coverage in *Bar News* of either now-retired but longtime Chief Regulatory Counsel Jean McElroy or the Regulatory Services Department in general.
 - Recent Washington Supreme Court decision in [Martinez-Cuevas v. DeRuyter Bros. Dairy, Inc.](#)
 - Ideas from October letter to the editor, found online [here](#):
 - Law office economics
 - Issues confronting younger or newer lawyers
 - Contemporary discourse on law office agreements regarding compensation sharing
 - Causes of law firms dissolving
 - Articles from law office managers and legal administrators
 - "What You Want to Know" questions from new and young lawyers
 - February – Black History Month
 - Article Ideas: Addressing the underrepresentation of people of color and specifically Black attorneys.
 - National Mentoring Month

- Reach out to Civil Rights Law Section, Minority Bar Associations. Previously have collaborated with the Loren Miller Bar Association last February.
 - March – COVID-19 pandemic (One year into living with COVID-19).
- Story ideas
 - Link to Google Docs spreadsheet for tracking story ideas:
<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1Zr0Qj7GTO8ZSI7YsECTsEQXF3ZMlgAuLFz4S3SVmYU8/edit?usp=sharing>
 - Beach Access Article (**Flick**) - Suggested 10/21 - Status
 - The effect of pandemic on law office space (**Lampson**) – Suggested 10/21 – Status
 - Environmental law: conflicts arising around development of Methow Valley (**Foreman**) – Suggested 10/21 – Status: **Author busy until January but is potentially onboard.**
 - 10 Things You Didn't Know About Practicing in a Rural Setting (**Foreman**).
 - “On-ramps” and “off-ramps” (or “country road”) in legal careers (**Foreman**) – Suggested 10/21 – Status
 - Overcoming implicit bias in legal hiring (**Foreman**) – Suggested 10/21 – Status
 - Best practices for remote depositions/voir dire/trials, plus maybe a few funny mishaps during voir dire/remote trials (**Valera**) – Suggested 10/21 – Status
 - Any new laws, rules, regulations regarding education in light of remote learning (**Grigalunas**) – Suggested 10/21 – status
 - History of efforts to increase Black history in school curriculum (**Klotz**) – Suggested 10/21 – Status
- Review of November 2020 issue. Online version can be found here:
https://wabarnews.wsba.org/wabarnews/nov_2020/MobilePagedReplica.action?pm=2&folio=Cover#pg1
 - To note in this issue: “Not Just the Service Member Who Serves” by EAC member Brittany Dowd!
 - Also in this issue: LAMP Section Spotlight, secured by EAC member Brittany Dowd.
 - **Thank you to Brittany Dowd for her contributions to the November issue!**
- Section Spotlights
 - New members and those who have not signed up yet can sign up here:
<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1PWXEmKOYCKhSD8w9Sm92S4X4sNm8xvlfXoCetpdqA/edit#gid=0>

- Thank you to everyone who has reached out to WSBA Sections! So far we have:
 - LAMP Section (Brittany Dowd)
 - Solo & Small Practice Section (Brittany Dowd)
 - Administrative Law Section (Marc Lampson)
 - Business Law Section (Ralph Flick)
 - Environmental & Land Use Law Section (Karrin Klotz)
- Beyond the Bar Number solicitations (**only 2 in reserve**)
- Upcoming meeting dates: December 16, January 20, February 17, March 17, April 21, May 19, June 16, July 21
- Questions/Good of the order/Announcements