# Law Clerk Board

WASHINGTON STATE

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Regulatory Services Department

Established by Washington Supreme Court APR 6
Administered by the WSBA
Emily Mowrey, Chair

# WASHINGTON STATE BAR ASSOCIATION LAW CLERK BOARD

# PUBLIC MINUTES August 4, 2023

### **Law Clerk Board Members in Attendance**

□ Emily Mowrey, Chair	⊠ Alexa Ritchie
☐ Tracy Finnegan	
☑ Michelle Myers	□ Paul Drutman
☑ John Meyers	$\square$ Jim Reinhart
□ Leone Reinbold	□ Gary Epperley
☑ Benjamin Phillabaum	

# Staff and others in attendance for some or all the meeting

Cathy Biestek, Managing Regulatory Counsel; Anne Trent, RSD Paralegal; Kevin Fay, BOG liaison

#### **Public Session**

#### **Approval of Meeting Minutes**

The June 2, 2023, Law Clerk Board (Board) public meeting minutes were approved.

#### **Remote Office Guidelines**

The Board voted to approve the remote office guidelines that state if all rules are being applied, it is possible to admit an applicant that is working remotely or virtually. Since remote work is becoming more common, these guidelines will be kept in place.

### **Suggested Amendments to APR 6 Regulations**

The Supreme Court approved the amendment to allow law law clerk tutors MCLE credit for their time. This will be effective September 1, 2023.

## **Outreach and Updates**

Katherine Skinner informed the Board that our efforts with the DEI council have stalled but we will continue efforts to work with them.

#### **Executive Session**

## **Approval of Meeting Minutes**

The June 2, 2023, Law Clerk Board (Board) confidential meeting minutes were approved.



### **Requests**

• The Board approved four leave requests out of five received. One request requires the form be submitted.

## **Applications**

• The Board approved sixteen applications for enrollment in the Law Clerk Program beginning when the final confirmation letter is sent.

## **Evaluations**

• The Board conducted two first-year evaluations and approved continuation in the program upon completion of all remaining first year coursework and book reports.

Respectfully Submitted,

Katherine Skinner, Law Clerk Program Lead