WSBA Young Lawyer Liaison to Civil Rights Law Section
Volunteer Position Description

Deadline: June 28, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

The WSBA Young Lawyer Liaison (Liaison) to Sections Program creates an opportunity for a WSBA section and new or young lawyers to focus on strengthening the connection between a specific section and the new and young lawyer community. In collaboration with the section, Liaisons bring their perspective and connections to building educational programming, events, and other section activities tailored to new and young lawyer members.

Position overview:
Responsibilities include:
- Work with WSBA New Member Education program on behalf of the section
- Recruit new and young lawyers to join the section
- Collaborate with other executive committee members to plan social functions
- Collaborate with other executive committee members to plan CLE seminars
- Collaborate with other executive committee members to plan mentorship events
- Participate in section subcommittees
- Solicit and/or contribute articles for the section newsletter
- Act as leader for specific projects & tasks that may come up throughout year
- Other responsibilities as Liaison may choose

The Liaison will serve as a voting member of the section’s executive committee.

Time commitment:
- Appointment is for a two-year term, beginning October 1, 2019 and ending September 30, 2021.
- Liaisons are expected to attend (in person or via conference call) the Liaison orientation at the WSBA offices on September 16, 2019 from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. In person attendance strongly encouraged.
- Attend section executive committee meetings, and additional meetings as needed.
- There is an estimated additional 3-5 hours of section work per month.

Requirements: Liaisons must meet the WSBA young lawyer criteria on the start date of their term. Active members of the Bar shall be considered “young lawyers” until whichever occurs later:
- the last day of December of the year in which the member attains the age of 36, years, or
- until the last day of December of the fifth year after the year in which such member was first admitted to practice in any state.

While serving in this position, Liaisons must be a member of the section (section membership dues will be paid for by WSBA New Member Programs).
Preferred qualifications and skills:
- Dependability and accountability
- Collaboration and team work
- Problem-solving ability
- Experience volunteering with the section
- Experience developing new lawyer programs or benefits
- Connection to local YLD or other new lawyer networks

Benefits:
- Helping shape new lawyer programming within WSBA sections
- Leadership development
- Networking
- Increased knowledge of and access to WSBA resources for new lawyers
- Membership to Civil Rights Law Section at no cost to the Liaison

Reimbursement policy: This is an unpaid volunteer position. The section will reimburse the Liaison’s expenses for:
- Participating on the executive committee and in events on a case-by-case basis with prior approval of executive committee
- Traveling to the Liaison orientation

Selection and appointment process: The section executive committee reviews applications and selects a preferred and alternate candidate for appointment to the Liaison position.

For more information: See https://www.wsba.org/for-legal-professionals/new-members/wsba-young-lawyer-liaisons-to-sections

How to apply: Visit the WSBA Young Lawyer Liaisons to Sections webpage to apply. The application deadline is June 28, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. Questions about the application? Email newmembers@wsba.org.