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**Annalise Martucci Receives Outstanding Young Lawyer Award**  
*Accomplished young lawyer acknowledged for local contributions*

**SEATTLE, WA [Sept. 28, 2018]** – The Washington State Bar Association (WSBA) presented Annalise Martucci the 2018 APEX Award for Outstanding Young Lawyer. This award recognizes a new (within five years of admission to the bar) or young (less than 36 years of age) attorney who has made significant contributions to the professional community, especially the community of young lawyers, within their initial years of practice. WSBA President William D. Pickett presented the award at the WSBA Annual APEX (Acknowledging Professional Excellence) Awards Dinner on Sept. 27 at the Sheraton Seattle.

In just a few years, Martucci has become an active member of the bars in Whatcom and Skagit counties, volunteering with the Whatcom Street Law program and the Skagit County Chapter of Washington Women Lawyers, among many other leadership and volunteer positions. She contributed to a record-breaking fundraising effort in 2018 through her work with the Skagit Volunteer Lawyer Program steering committee and Skagit Bar Association events committee.

Martucci grew up in Skagit County, attended New England Law in Boston, and returned to the Pacific Northwest to work as a legal advocate for Domestic Violence Services of Snohomish County before opening a solo practice in Mount Vernon and serving as a Skagit County Guardian ad litem. She co-chairs the Skagit County Bar Young Lawyers chapter, which she helped establish, and frequently volunteers for the Skagit Volunteer Lawyer Project. Martucci also earned a place on the Washington Supreme Court Pro Bono Publico Honor Roll in both 2016 and 2017. She is an adjunct instructor in the paralegal program at Whatcom Community College, where she helps paralegal interns find placement in the community.

“She graduated from law school in 2014 and came back to her community to make an impact, and she has done that in a very short period of time,” said Skagit County Bar Association President Heather Webb. “... We’re very lucky that she came back here to practice law.”

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