

Low Bono Section

The **LOW BONO SECTION** is a community for legal professionals, law students, and others who are committed to providing, promoting, and learning about low bono services. The underlying purpose of “low bono” is to increase the availability of legal representation and legal services to clients of moderate means. Clients of moderate means are individuals who have a need or a want for legal representation or legal services, but who cannot qualify for pro bono legal assistance and who typically cannot afford the cost of traditional law firm representation or legal services.

SECTION ACCOMPLISHMENTS 10/1/22 – 9/30/23

2 Mini-CLEs

2 Receptions/Forums

1 New Lawyer Outreach Event/Benefit

15 Legislative Bills Tracked

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YEAR 10/1/22 – 9/30/23

- Developed and presented a Mini-CLE on access to justice with Sister Helen Prejean.
- Participated in review of 15 legislative bills affecting the section members and commented to the WSBA Board of Governors regarding potential rule changes.
- Expanded the section’s social media sites and actively posted about the section and its events.
- Increased membership numbers.
- Held virtual monthly meetings with a social hour afterwards.
- Increased use of the section’s list serve.

OUR MEMBERS:

TOTAL MEMBERSHIPS as of 12/31/23 **75**

Young Lawyers 28.00%

MEMBER LOCATIONS

King County 54.67%

Peninsula & Southern WA 9.33%

Central & Eastern WA 4.00%

Northern WA 13.33%

EMPLOYMENT

Public Sector/Government 9.33%

In-House 4.00%

Solo 53.33%

Small Firm (2 – 10) 26.67%

Medium Firm (11 – 50) 6.67%

Large Firm (51+) 5.33%

SECTION FINANCIAL REVIEW

10/1/22 – 9/30/23

Dues \$30.00

Total Revenue (actual) \$3,971.37

Total Expenses (actual) \$3,013.21

Total Fund Balance (actual) \$18,997.40

EXPENSES (ACTUAL)

■ Member Benefits \$0.00 0.00%

■ Per-Member Charge \$1,332.01 44.20%

■ CLE-Related \$112.00 3.72%

■ Executive Committee \$1,569.20 52.08%

