

BAR NO. 47402

Tumwater, WA

I was an assistant attorney general for 10 years and am currently the acting director of a small state agency. Previously, I practiced in rural Alabama, Houston, and Bellevue. I am also a refugee from Vietnam and a proud graduate of UW. I live in Tumwater with my Dog Vader.

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Candidate for District 10 (incumbent)

WHAT IS YOUR UNDERSTANDING OF THE ROLE OF THE WSBA BOARD OF GOVERNORS AND HOW DO YOU INTEND TO FULFILL THE ROLE AND ITS OBLIGATIONS?

The Board represents the membership of our statewide bar association and has responsibilities such as approving the WSBA budget, making general policy, and guiding WSBA staff. Governors engage with stakeholders within the legal community, including WSBA committees and sections, local and specialty associations, councils, and boards. As governor, I chair several WSBA committees and councils. If reelected, I will continue to engage with the legal community, ensuring that stakeholders' views are heard. I have and will continue to engage with my fellow governors to understand the views of their constituents.

HOW HAVE YOU DEMONSTRATED YOUR UNDERSTANDING AND SUPPORT OF THE WSBA MISSION TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC AND THE MEMBERS OF THE BAR, TO ENSURE THE INTEGRITY OF THE LEGAL PROFESSION AND TO CHAMPION JUSTICE?

I love practicing law. As a refugee, I am especially aware of the vital role of law in protecting the public. Trust has been eroded within our profession and our legal communities. That's one of the reasons why I ran for the WSBA Board of Governors three years ago. And, as a governor, I have served my members with a focus on improving legal practice and access to justice, particularly for those whom our legal system has not reached or has failed to protect. I am also committed to supporting members so that they can practice effectively and ethically.

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