

WASHINGTON STATE BAR ASSOCIATION

WSBA SECTION ANNUAL REPORT

FY 2025: October 1, 2024 – September 30, 2025

The mission of the Washington State Bar Association is to serve the public and the members of the Bar, to ensure integrity of the legal profession, and to champion justice.

Instructions: In accordance with the WSBA Bylaws, Committees, Other Bar Entities (excluding Regulatory Boards^j), Councils, and Sections must submit an annual report to the Executive Director. The information below should reflect the activities and outcomes from the fiscal year October 1, 2024 – September 30, 2025. Information in the annual report will be provided to the Executive Director and Board of Governors, and may be published for other purposes, such as *Bar News*, volunteer recruitment messaging, and other WSBA activity-based reporting.

It is recommended that completion of the annual report be a collaborative effort with members of your entity, the BOG liaison, and staff liaison.

Submission Deadline is Friday, October 17: please submit by emailing to Carolyn MacGregor (carolynm@wsba.org).

Name of Section:	Criminal Law
Chair or Co-Chairs:	Dan LeBeau
Staff Liaison: (include name, job title, and department if known)	Carolyn MacGregor, Sections Program Specialist, Advancement Department
Board of Governors Liaison:	Allison Widney
Purpose: <i>May be stated in Bylaws, Charter, Court Rule, etc.</i>	
To provide a forum for the exchange of ideas in the areas of criminal law, correction, procedure, and evidence.	
Strategy to Fulfill Purpose:	
Coordinate regular virtual and in-person meetings with prosecutors, defense attorneys, and individuals interested in criminal law.	
How does the section's purpose help further the mission of the WSBA "to serve the public and the members of the Bar, to ensure integrity of the legal profession, and to champion justice"?	
The Criminal Section provides continuing education on topics for practitioners of all experience levels. The most recent Criminal Justice Institute focused on providing practical advice for attorneys with	

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limited experience with criminal law. CJIs focus on current topics and recurring issues from a global and holistic view of the law.	
Top 2024-2025 Section Accomplishments:	
32nd Annual Criminal Justice Institute	
Reviewed legislation and provided feedback as applicable.	
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Next Fiscal Year: 2025-2026 Top SMART Goals & Priorities: <i>Tip: SMART Goals are: Specific Measurable, Relevant and Time-Bound</i> Use this worksheet (under 'Leadership') to develop your SMART goals and then summarize below in 1-2 sentences.	
1	33rd Annual CJI
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Looking Ahead: Please share any long-term goals and/or priorities that your entity aims to address.	
1	Continuing annual Criminal Justice Institute trainings
2	Continued and increased input on legislation.
3	Quarterly lunchbox CLEs.
4	Review and update bylaws.
Please describe how this entity is addressing diversity, equity, and inclusion: <i>How have you elicited input from a variety of perspectives in decision-making? What have you done to promote a culture of inclusion within the board or committee? What has your committee/board done to promote equitable conditions for members from historically underrepresented backgrounds to enter, stay, thrive and eventually lead in the profession? Other?</i>	
Our CJI routinely includes presentations on race, equity, and inclusion. For example, the 30th Annual CJI included a panel, "Race and Washington's Criminal Justice System," and a panel, "Fairer Outcomes Through Data." The 32nd CJI included a panel on immigration law. We have encouraged and appointed board members from diverse jurisdictions across the state.	
Please share feedback regarding the support and engagement provided by WSBA staff and leadership <i>For example:</i> - Quality of WSBA staff support/services, including technology solutions - Involvement with Board of Governors, including assigned BOG liaison - Ideas you have on ways WSBA can continue to strengthen/support your entity.	

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Carolyn and Sally are very communicative and helpful.		
Please quantify your section's 2024-2025 member benefits: <i>For example:</i> \$3000 Scholarships, donations, grants awarded; 4 mini-CLEs produced		
32nd Annual CJI, providing 6.5 credits	Co-sponsored half-day, full-day and/or multi-day CLE seminars with WSBA	
Click or tap here to enter text.	Co-sponsored half-day, full-day and/or multi-day CLE seminars with <i>non</i> -WSBA entity.	
Click or tap here to enter text.	Receptions/forums hosted or co-hosted	
Scholarship for CJI for one member: \$275.	\$ amount given through donations/scholarships/grants.	
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Click or tap here to enter text.	Mini-CLEs produced	
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SECTION DATA <i>To Be Completed by WSBA Sections Team</i>		
Section Membership Information:	327	Membership Size: <i>As of September 30, 2025.</i>
	17884.30	FY25 Revenue (\$): <i>As of September 30, 2025.</i>
	2823.21	FY25 Direct Expenses (\$) <i>As of September 30, 2025. This does not include the Per-Member-Charge.</i>

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Section Executive Committee Information:	17 voting/1 non-voting	Full Size of Executive Committee (per Section bylaws): <i>Include and specify voting and non-voting positions.</i>
	2	Number of Vacancies for FY26: <i>The number of vacant positions as of October 1, 2025 (FY26).</i>
	9	Number of Applicants for FY26 open positions: <i>Applications submitted in the Spring of 2025 for vacant positions and terms beginning October 1, 2025 (FY26)</i>
