

ELDER LAW SECTION

FISCAL YEAR 2024

TOTAL MEMBERS

AS OF DEC. 31, 2024

614

New/Young Lawyers 12.54%

Member Locations

King County	45.77%
Peninsula & Southern WA	19.87%
Central & Eastern WA	22.80%
Northern WA	7.82%

Employment

Public Sector/Government	2.86%
In-House	1.79%
Solo	35.96%
Small Firm (2 – 10)	37.92%
Medium Firm (11 – 50)	6.98%
Large Firm (51+)	3.76%

Section Accomplishments

OCT. 1, 2023-SEPT. 30, 2024

Co-sponsored CLE w/WSBA	2
Recognition/Award Given	1
Reception/Forum	1

The **ELDER LAW SECTION** seeks to improve understanding by members of the Washington State Bar Association of matters related to the representation of elderly citizens, recognizing that these individuals have unique legal needs and may be isolated, ill, or vulnerable to undue influence or exploitation. Issues commonly discussed relate to retirement and estate planning; powers of attorney, guardianship and other forms of substitute decision making; private and public long-term care and other healthcare financing; and abuse of vulnerable individuals.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YEAR OCT. 1, 2023-SEPT. 30, 2024

- Hosted spring CLE in April that covered annual legislative updates, community and separate property in conservatorship proceedings, financial exploitation of the elderly, and recent RPC amendments.
- Sponsored a summer intern to provide legal assistance to low-income seniors at a nonprofit legal aid organization.
- Monitored legislation impacting older adults, shared legislative information with members, and provided comment to the legislature when necessary.
- Hosted fall CLE in Sept. that covered entity transition upon death, advising trustee of special needs trust, mental illness, AI, and perspectives from a professional fiduciary.

SECTION FINANCIAL REVIEW OCT. 1, 2023-SEPT. 30, 2024

Dues	\$35.00
Total Revenue (actual)	\$38,917.41
Total Expenses (actual)	\$12,037.37
Total Fund Balance (actual)	\$127,322.92

Expenses (actual)

■ Member Benefits	\$38.62	0.32%
■ Per-Member-Charge	\$11,248.75	93.45%
■ CLE-Related	\$750.00	6.23%
■ Executive Committee	\$0.00	0.00%

