

April 17, 2024

RE: ELUL Board Application

ELUL Section Members,

My name is Rachel Sinsheimer (University of Washington, 2021). I am an associate attorney at Headwaters Law Group, a boutique environmental law firm based in Seattle, Washington. My practice focuses on contaminated site remediation and sustainability. I currently serve as the Young Lawyer Liaison (YLL) for the ELUL section (term 2022-2024). Please accept the following as my application for at-large member. I am open to any of the at-large member positions.

I am hoping to be elected to the board for an at-large membership position to continue with my work as the YLL. The past two YLL have been elected to at-large member positions after their YLL tenure is complete. This creates institutional knowledge and helps facilitate the transition to a new YLL. Below are some highlights of my tenure as YLL:

- Hosted the spring networking event for young lawyers and law students three times. The last event, held on April 4, had ~60 attendees, roughly 50% law students and 50% attorneys. I coordinate with the venue and caterer, help to publicize the event, and secure sponsorship for alcohol expenses.
- Hosted the first fall networking event for law students. Students requested a more formal networking event, so I created a speed networking event with the help of Gabby Gurian and current EC member. The event had about 50 students in attendance. We hope to do the event again in the future and will need to coordinate catering, sponsorship and publicize the event.
- Managed 2023 writing competition. Due to extra funds from virtual events during the pandemic, ELUL decided to host a writing competition for law students with a monetary award. I organized the event, ensured winners received their prize money, and ensured the articles were posted to the ELUL blog.
- 2023 and 2024 Summer Scholarships. Managed the 2023 and currently managing the 2024 Summer Scholarships for students in Washington state working in environmental law. Put out the call for applications,

reviewed applications, ensure students receive funds, follow-up with students.

- Ongoing outreach to young lawyers and law students. I meet with the law students from the three Washington schools each fall.
- Additionally, as the YLL, I am generally the point person between the schools and ELUL. For example, just this week UW students asked me to coordinate between ELUL and the Washington Journal of Social and Environmental Justice for an upcoming symposium.

In addition to my role on ELUL I have served in the following relevant related volunteer capacities:

- Editor-in-Chief of the Washington Journal of Social and Environmental Justice (formerly the Washington Journal of Environmental Law and Policy) (2020-2021)
- President, Environmental Law Society, University of Washington School of Law (2019-2020)

Thank you for your consideration and I look forward to serving the board in the future.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rachel Sinsheimer', with a stylized, cursive script.

Rachel Sinsheimer