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Law School Collaborative Initiatives



Color of Justice

- Founded by the National Association of Women Judges to address inequities in the Alaska Bar
 - Co-sponsored by the Alaska Bar Association, Alaska Court System, Alaska Native Justice Center, Council on Legal Education Opportunity, Gonzaga University Law School, Law School Admission Council, NW Indian Bar Association, Seattle Law, University of Alaska Anchorage, and UW Law.
- Racial minorities are underrepresented in the Alaska Bar.
 - Alaska Native and Indigenous members constitute 1.99% of Alaska Bar

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- Locations in Anchorage and Sitka, Alaska
 - Anchorage Public Schools
 - Mt. Edgumbe High School

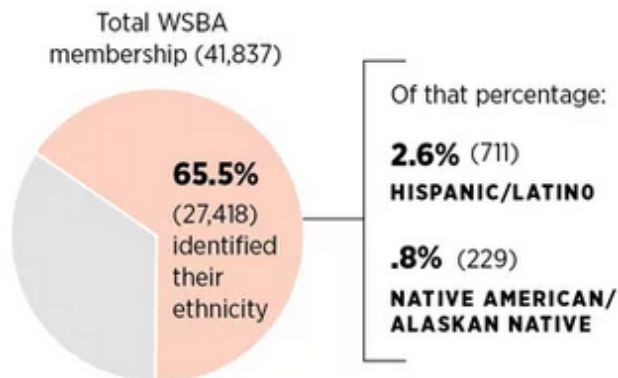


Heritage Collaboration

LACK OF LAWYERS IN CENTRAL WASHINGTON

According to Seattle University Law Dean Annette Clark, central Washington “does not have sufficient lawyers, particularly racially and ethnically diverse lawyers, to serve the legal needs of its people and the community.” A new program developed by the Gonzaga University, Seattle University and University of Washington law schools aims to make a law degree more accessible to Latino and indigenous students in central Washington. Here is a breakdown of demographic data showing the number of Washington State Bar Association (WSBA) members in terms of location and ethnicity.

Ethnic identification of WSBA members

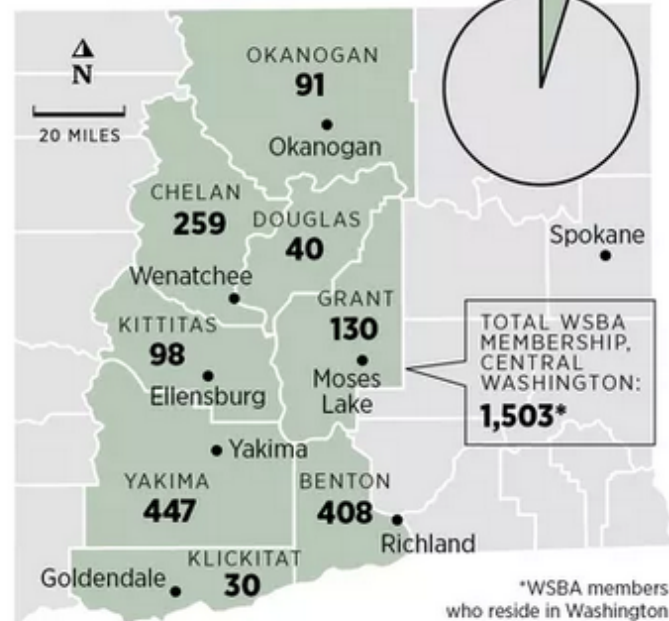


Number of WSBA members in central Washington counties

As of Jan. 4

WSBA MEMBERSHIP:
31,436*

PERCENTAGE OF WSBA: **4.8%**



Source: Washington State Bar Association

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<https://www.spokesman.com/stories/2022/jan/18/new-program-through-gonzaga-state-law-schools-aims/>

Heritage Collaboration

- Heritage University is federally recognized as a Hispanic Serving Institution and Native American Serving Non-Tribal Institution.
- Seattle U., Gonzaga Law, and UW Law have partnered with Heritage University to support students for future law school.
 - Students will meet 3 days a week for 3 weeks in June, and one 3-day session over one week in October.
 - Professional will provide mentorship.
 - LSAT prep and law school “101”.
 - Application prep and more including a stipend of \$1,000 and 18 months waived for LSAT services.

QUESTIONS?

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