#### **DEAR SCBA MEMBERS:**

Thank you to all those Members who attended the Annual Meeting of the Skagit County Bar Association on Monday, November 7, 2022. We had enough Members in attendance to achieve a quorum, and so we were able to transact business of the Association and conduct the election of officers for 2023, though as discussed below, we still have a few open officer/chair positions for anyone interested in serving next year. Here is a summary of our meeting minutes and the election results:

#### 1. STATE OF THE BAR

- **a.** Membership 161 members currently.
- **b.** Treasurer's Report: \$18,242.78 in general fund, which is consistent with the average over the past 4 years. Membership dues are beginning to come in as well. The Bar will be making its annual donation to Skagit Legal Aid before the end of the year.
- **c.** Events The Bar resumed many traditional events this year, including Law Day and the State of the Judiciary Dinner, with great attendance. The Bar plans to continue these events and other in-person social events in 2023.
- **d.** Upcoming Event The annual SCBA Judges' Holiday Party will be held this year at Max Dale's on December 13, 2022, beginning at 5pm. The Holiday Party will be a purely social event, and we encourage everyone to come and enjoy good food, good company, and good cheer.
- **e.** Administrative The Bar will file its annual report with the WA Secretary of State this month and will report new officers/agent.
- **f.** CLEs The CLE programs were well attended this year, and the Bar will continue to give regular, free CLEs throughout the year.
  - If you would like to see a particular topic covered in the CLE program and/or are interested in presenting a CLE, please contact the Bar Association.
- **g.** Law Library Update Cindy Adams is the new law librarian for Skagit County. Traffic at the law library has doubled since she began working there in July 2022, and she encourages attorneys and members of the public alike to continue to take advantage of the free resources that are offered. Ms. Adams would like to set up a mobile law library for the county in the coming year.
- **h.** Skagit Legal Aid SLA has served 448 clients with 35 volunteer attorneys this year. The Concrete Clinic is running again at the East County Resource Center for in-

person meetings. The Farmworkers' Center is open on Tuesdays throughout the year. SLA has also re-launched the Debt Clinic at District Court.

- <u>Volunteer Opportunities</u>: More pro bono opportunities than ever are available, and SLA is looking for more volunteers. Please reach out to Andy Dugan or SLA directly to volunteer or for more information.
- <u>Clothing Donations Needed</u>: The Farmworkers' Center needs men's clothing particularly sizes small and medium. Donations can be dropped off anytime between 12-6 pm on December 6, 2022, at 2727 East College Way in Mount Vernon.

### 2. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Members elected **Officers for 2022**:

#### **President:**

Sarah Aguero GLP Attorneys, P.S., Inc.

# Vice President, with a commitment to stand for President for 2024: OPEN POSITION

## **Secretary-Treasurer:**

Tim Lehr Stiles & Lehr, Inc., P.S.

Congratulations to the new officers.

The following Members have agreed to serve as **Chairpersons** of the four Standing Committees as well as additional Directors on the Board:

- Events OPEN POSITION
- CLE Rebecca Carroll
- Membership/Website Luigi Colombo

If you are interested in serving as Vice President or Event Chair for 2023 or would like to serve on any of the above committees, please contact the SCBA by replying to this email. Please contact the Bar also if you are interested in the position of Secretary-Treasurer. Mr. Lehr has expressed his willingness to serve as Vice President, provided the Bar is able to fill his current position as Secretary-Treasurer.

If you have any questions about these minutes of the Annual Meeting, do not hesitate to contact SCBA by replying to this email.