



## CENTRAL NEW YORK WOMEN'S BAR ASSOCIATION

A CHAPTER OF THE WOMEN'S BAR ASSOCIATION OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK  
P.O. Box 408, Syracuse, NY 13201-0408

Nicole Marlow-Jones  
*President*

Laurel Eveleigh  
*President Elect*

Shannon O'Connor  
*Vice President*

Jillian McGuire  
*Secretary*

Leah Witmer  
*Treasurer*

Bryn Lovejoy-Grinnell  
*Immediate Past President*

### DIRECTORS

Samantha Aguam

Amy D'Ambrogio

Suzanne Galbato

Colleen Gibbons

Brittany Hannah

Hon. Deborah Karalunas

Whitney Kummerow

Sara Lowengard

Maureen Maney

Erin Phillips

Annaleigh Porter

Michelle Rudderow

Kelsey Shannon

Christina Verone Juliano

### EX OFFICIO

Hon. Rosemary Pooler

## NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that the 2019 Annual Meeting of Members of the Central New York Women's Bar Association (the "CNYWBA") will be held on Thursday, April 11, 2019 at 12:00 p.m. at Maxwell's in Hanover Square, 122 East Genesee Street, Syracuse, New York 13202.

The purpose of the meeting is to:

- 1) Elect CNYWBA officers and directors for the 2019-20 term;
- 2) Elect the Women's Bar Association of the State of New York ("WBASNY") officers for the 2019-20 term; and
- 3) Transact such other business as may be properly brought before the Annual Meeting.

### ITEM I: ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS TO CNYWBA FOR 2019-2020

Pursuant to Article VI, Section 1 of the CNYWBA By-Laws, the Nominations Committee has proposed and the Board of Directors has approved the following slate for Officer and Board of Director positions for the 2019-2020 term:

#### Officers

President: Laurel Eveleigh

President-Elect: Shannon O'Connor

Vice President: Jillian McGuire

Treasurer: Brittany Hannah

Secretary: Colleen Gibbons

Immediate Past President: Nicole Marlow-Jones

#### Directors

At-Large (one year term – expires 2020)

Jane Zhang, Melissa Schwartz

At Large (two year term – expires 2021)  
Amy D'Ambrogio

At Large with responsibility for Judicial Reception (two year term – expires 2021)  
Sara Lowengard

At Large (two year term – expires 2020)  
Whitney Kummerow, Hon. Deborah H. Karalunas

Directors with Standing Committee Chairs:

Membership: Leah Witmer

Programming: Erin Phillips

WBASNY: Taylor Baker, Maureen Maney, Samantha Riggi

Communications/PR: Annaleigh Porter

Pro Bono Projects: Samantha Aguam

Judicial Screening: Suzanne Galbato, Kelsey Shannon

Ex-Officio: Hon. Rosemary Pooler

**ITEM II: ELECTION OF OFFICERS TO WBASNY FOR 2019-20**

NOTICE IS HEREBY PROVIDED pursuant to Article V and Article XV, Sections 10 and 11, of the WBASNY By-Laws, and the membership is advised as follows:

**WBASNY Officer Nominations**

The Nominations Committee nominated the following slate of officers for the 2019-20 term:

President-Elect: Joy Thompson

Vice President: Dawn Reid Green

Vice President: Melissa Nickson

Vice President: Deborah Rosenthal

Treasurer: Kelly Pressler

Corresponding Secretary: Dawn Lott

Recording Secretary: Heather Neu

**WBASNY By-Laws: Article XV, Section 10**

Any twenty-five (25) voting members of the Association comprising at least five percent (5%) of the voting membership as of December 31, and representing at least one-third (1/3) of the Chapters, may by writing delivered to the Recording Secretary of the Association not later than March 31, propose candidates for any of or all the offices to be voted upon at the annual election, and the Recording Secretary shall immediately give notice to all members of the Association of such proposed candidates and the name of their proposers, together with the candidates nominated by the Committee on Nominations. Any notice under this section should be provided to Recording Secretary Melissa H. Nickson via e-mail at [mnickson@wbasny.org](mailto:mnickson@wbasny.org) or regular mail to Melissa H. Nickson, Recording Secretary, WBASNY, P.O. Box 936, New York, NY 10024-0546.

**WBASNY By-Laws: Article XV, Section 11**

In the event that pursuant to Section 10 of this Article there are contested elections for Officers of the Association, the President of the Association shall appoint an Election Committee consisting of not less than five (5) nor more than nine (9) members, which Committee shall conduct the election of Officers in accordance with the procedures set forth herein. Any person who is nominated as a candidate in the said contested nomination shall not be appointed to the Election committee. If the President of the Association is one of the nominated candidates, then a Vice President of the Association who is not a candidate in the contested nominations shall appoint the Election Committee. (a) The Election Committee shall prepare a ballot containing the names of all candidates and the office for which each is running; the ballot shall also contain instructions for voting by secret ballot. (b) The ballots should be mailed to all voting members of the Association as defined in Article XI, Section 2 of these By-Laws, in good standing as of January 31 of the year in which the election is to be held. (c) The ballots shall be mailed with sufficient time allowed for their return prior to April 30 of the year in which the election is to be held. (d) Each candidate may have one piece of campaign literature mailed with the ballot, without charge to the candidate. The returned ballots shall be verified and counted by the Election Committee on or about April 30 of the year in which the election is to be held; candidates and or their observers are entitled to be present at that time. The results shall be certified to the President immediately thereafter.

**CENTRAL NEW YORK  
WOMEN'S BAR ASSOCIATION**

A CHAPTER OF THE WOMEN'S BAR ASSOCIATION OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK  
P.O. Box 408, Syracuse, NY 13201-0408

**2019 CNYWBA Annual Meeting Proxy**

**IF YOU CANNOT ATTEND THE ANNUAL MEETING** on April 11, 2019, you may use this proxy form to cast your vote:

**ITEM I: ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS TO CNYWBA FOR 2019-20**

Yes, I vote in favor of the proposed 2019-20 CNYWBA Officers and Directors.

Yes, I vote in favor of the proposed 2019-20 CNYWBA Officers and Directors, except:

*(list names of individuals for whom you do not wish to vote)*

No, I do not vote in favor of any of the proposed 2019-20 CNYWBA Officers and Directors.

**ITEM II: ELECTION OF OFFICERS TO WBASNY FOR 2019-20**

Yes, I vote in favor of the proposed 2019-20 WBASNY Officers.

Yes, I vote in favor of the proposed 2019- 20 WBASNY Officers, except:

*(list names of individuals for whom you do not wish to vote)*

No, I do not vote in favor of any of the proposed 2019-20 WBASNY Officers.

---

*Date*

---

*Signature*

---

*Printed Name*

**Please mail your completed proxy to:** Nicole Marlow-Jones, Esq., President, CNYWBA, Costello, Cooney & Fearon, PLLC, 500 Plum Street, Suite 300, Syracuse, New York 13204-1401.

**\*\*Proxies MUST be received on or before April 11, 2019 by 10:00 am\*\***

**Important Note:** Eligible members may vote in person or by mail (proxy) ballot only. Article XIII, Section 3 of the WBASNY By-Laws provides that eligible members are those who are in good standing (Article XI) and whose dues for the current fiscal year have been received prior to the election. Per Article XI, Section 1, members who are law students, law graduates awaiting admission, or are admitted only outside of New York are not eligible to vote.