

William L. Dwyer Inn of Court

Seattle, Washington

Emeritus Engagement

In response to interest from our Emeritus members, this year our Inn will be taking steps to ensure that all of our Emeritus members remain informed and feel engaged with the activities of the Inn of Court.

First, we will be assigning each Emeritus member to a Pupilage. The Emeritus members will be included on email strands, organizational meetings, and social or networking events hosted by the individual pupilages. These members are not required to participate in the planning or presentation of the program but may feel free to bring their thoughts and experience to the issues addressed by the Program. Since all of our dining tables at monthly meetings are designated according to Pupilage numbers, the Emeritus members now have a designated place at the table, when they choose to attend the monthly meetings.

In addition, our Board hopes to meaningfully involve our Emeritus members in securing the legacy of our Inn. This year, we will be designating one Emeritus member as an “Inn Historian”, responsible for documenting, either by photographs, video, or written materials, the accomplishments of our members over the years. The Board also intends to engage one or more Emeritus members in our Community Outreach Program, which we hope to expand in the upcoming year.

Lastly, we will be administering a survey this year to our Emeriti to determine how we may further meet their needs and expectations. Our Emeritus members represent some of the best and brightest in our legal community. It is imperative, not just for the benefit of the Emeriti, but also for the benefit of our student and Associate members, that we maintain a culture of inclusivity -- one where generations of attorneys can continue to come together, educate, and support one another in the practice of law.