PROPOSED STATED PURPOSE

COMMITTEE ON LAWYERS IN TRANSITION

It is highly probable that attorneys will find themselves in a period of transition at one or more points in their career, whether that period is due to their initial entry into the legal profession, their exiting the profession upon retirement, for brief or extended maternity, paternity or family leave, in order to pursue an alternative career opportunity or upon making a shift in the focus or path of their career. They can expect to face many challenges and uncertainties when returning to the workforce after an absence as well as while making a career move, change or transition. The Committee on Lawyers in Transition shall develop initiatives to help these attorneys identify and pursue possible and desired opportunities, to enable lawyers to remain connected to other lawyers and the profession before and during a career interruption while laying the groundwork for future re-entry. The Committee shall provide resources aimed at equipping attorneys with the skills needed both during and following a transition.

The Committee on Lawyers in Transition shall establishe programs and resources geared toward providing career and job services, presenting networking and mentoring opportunities, helping to establish and foster partnership and collaboration among attorneys, fostering practical skills and offering needed training. The Committee shall collaborate with other committees and the various sections of NYSBA to supplement and enhance the benefits, programs and services offered and to make NYSBA members aware of that which is available to them by virtue of their membership.

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