BIOGRAPHIES OF WLA OFFICERS

President: John D. (J.D.) Moore ’75

John D. (J.D.) Moore ’75: John D. (J.D.) Moore received both his B.A. (1975) and his M.A.L.S. (1980) from Wesleyan. He graduated from UCONN Law School in 1983 and clerked for the Hon. T. Emmet Clarie in U.S. District Court in Hartford from 1983 to 1984. J.D. was a civil trial lawyer at Halloran & Sage in Hartford from 1984 until 1990, concentrating on insurance defense, coverage and professional liability defense matters. While at Halloran, Wesleyan’s outside corporate counsel at the time, J.D. also provided advice to our alma mater on a variety of issues. J.D. has worked at the Travelers Special Liability Group (the SLG) since 1990 and currently serves as its associate group general counsel. The SLG handles liability and coverage issues arising from toxic tort, environmental and other long-term claims. J.D. provides coverage advice to his internal clients and represents the company in complex negotiations arising from asbestos bankruptcies and alleged policy and cost-sharing issues. J.D. has served on the Connecticut Bar Association’s Professional Ethics Committee for 20 years and has taught legal ethics as an adjunct at UCONN Law School. Since graduation, J.D. has been active in Wesleyan alumni activities. He served as President of the Hartford Wesleyan Alumni Club for three years and twice co-chaired his Reunion Committee. J.D. received a Wesleyan University Service Award in 2005. He has been integrally involved in the Wesleyan Lawyers Association since its inception, serving as tri-chair of the Steering Committee, chairing the Communications Committee and securing speakers for the WLA’s first two events.

Vice President: Sebastian Kaplan ’02

Sebastian Kaplan ’02: Sebastian Kaplan is a litigation associate with Fenwick & West LLP in San Francisco. Before joining Fenwick & West, Sebastian clerked for Judge Carlos Bea on the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals; prior to his clerkship, Sebastian was an associate at Heller Ehrman LLP. He graduated Stanford Law School in 2006. Currently, Sebastian is Wesleyan’s regional representative for the San Francisco Bay Area, where he has scheduled various alumni events for the past three years (including a semi-regular luncheon for young attorneys in San Francisco). Sebastian Kaplan has served as Treasurer of the Wesleyan Lawyers Association for the 2010-2011 year, and has served on the WLA’s networking committee. During that time, the Board has grown the WLA’s membership, hosted several regional events for Wesleyan attorneys, and developed a strategy for developing the WLA as a vibrant and useful professional network for Wesleyan alumni.

Secretary: Daphne G. Frydman ’96

Daphne G. Frydman ’96: Daphne G. Frydman is counsel in the Washington, D.C. office of Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP where she is a member of the corporate group. Daphne concentrates her practice on financing transactions, securities offerings and mergers and acquisitions for financial services clients. In particular, she has significant experience working with insurance companies. At Sutherland, Daphne is a member of the corporate group’s legal opinion committee. In addition, she is co-chair of the women attorneys group in the Washington office, an initiative dedicated to increasing opportunities for leadership, client development and community-building for the women attorneys, and active in the firm’s diversity efforts. In 2001,
Daphne graduated from Northwestern University School of Law, for which she volunteers as an alumni interviewer. She graduated from Wesleyan University in 1996, with a double major in the College of Letters and Spanish, and remains involved with the Wesleyan community through fundraising and other activities. Most recently, Daphne has been a member of the Steering Committee for the newly-formed Wesleyan Lawyers Association.

**Treasurer: Don Kim ’01**

**Don Kim ’01:** Don graduated from Wesleyan in 2001 as a CSS major, and then received a J.D. from Tulane Law in 2004, with a sports law certificate. He also received an MBA from the University of Minnesota in 2008. After passing the California and Minnesota bars, he entered the profession of marketing at a legal/accounting company. He has been on the board of a directors/presidents' committee for seven years at the Tulane Alumni Association, and for several years at Central Minnesota Legal Services. He has also been on the board of two condominiums, City Heights and University Flats, as well as the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association, Minnesota Chapter.