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A Message

From WLFC's Outgoing President, Kailee Goold



What a year. We continue to endure unimaginable hardship and somehow keep it all going. We are advocates, leaders, neighbors, mothers, daughters, sisters and more during a global pandemic.

Though distanced, we lean on each other like never before. On one hand we have been isolated, overwhelmed and hurt. On the other we have awoken, found new sources of resilience and have bigger dreams. One thing is for sure: we will never be the same. I encourage you to celebrate the courage and perseverance you have lived this year. You did it.

Give gratitude to those who have supported you and grace to those struggling around you. Draw upon the strength in each of us, our families, and our communities to forge brighter days ahead.

As we pick up the pieces to put together something better, we continue to be our own best resource. Help us continue to drive the positive change we wish to see in the world.

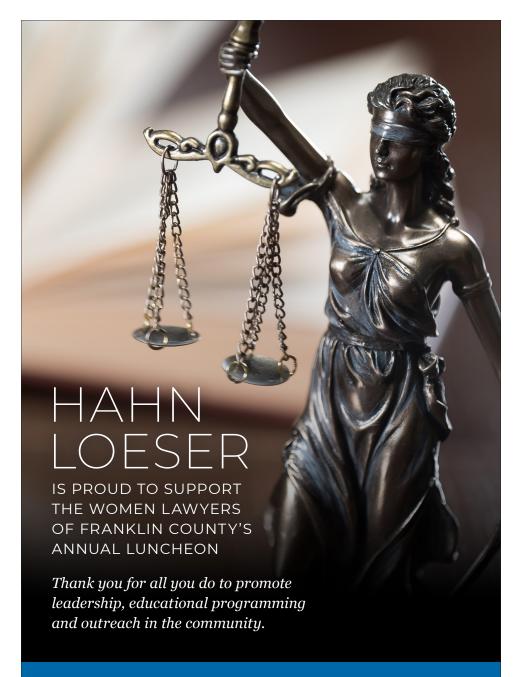
You matter. You are welcome here.

Thank you for the privilege of serving you.

I am honored to pass the baton to our leaders of tomorrow – you all.

Kailee Goold *WLFC President, 2021-22*







HAHN LOESER & PARKS LLP | HAHNLAW.COM 65 EAST STATE STREET | SUITE 1400 COLUMBUS, OH 43215 | 614.221.0240 **A Message**

From WLFC's Incoming President, Celia Schnupp

I am thrilled to have the honor of serving as WLFC's next President. Thank YOU for allowing me this opportunity. And to our delightful outgoing President, Kailee Goold, thank YOU for your dedication to WLFC through your time as president, elected officer, and member.

In my almost 13 years of practice, WLFC introduced me to some of the most inspiring lawyers. WLFC's former presidents, officers, board members, and members have been champions for one another - including me - and have strived to live out the motto "we are our own best resource." Our former presidents, officers, board members, and members are judges, magistrates, general counsel, managing partners, executive directors and are actively engaged in leadership for many other impactful boards and community groups. During my short time as President, I plan to honor their legacy while championing the needs of our current members.

WLFC's legacy is celebrating 80 years! In the past 80 years, the legal profession, our community, and this world have changed drastically. Our membership has not only grown but evolved and diversified. We have expanded our programming to meet these changes. These are all things to be celebrated. But we're not done.

Through all the uncertainty that we all face, I can promise you that one certain thing is that through WLFC, you have many other people in your corner that are here to guide you through your professional - and a lot of times personal - challenges, growth, and even failures.

As your President, I plan to continue to be as engaged as all the other fantastic and fabulous presidents before me and build on their legacy to serve every one of YOU. We are only as good as all of our members - so let's make it a year where all of you feel supported, challenged, and included. This is YOUR WLFC!

I invite you to reach out to me throughout the year as WLFC is YOUR organization and my sole desire and goal is to serve YOU.

Thank you for this opportunity and I look forward to a great year.

All my best,

Celia Schnupp *WLFC President, 2022-23*



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2022 Scholarship Recipients





ANDREA LIM WLFC Scholarship Winner

Andrea is law student at The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law, and she would like to practice transactional law with a focus on intellectual property and marketing. Andrea also plans to use her law degree to help open the door for other minority women who are

underrepresented in the legal field, and will use her scholarship to further her degree and find other ways to help women in the vast legal industry.



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SARRIS BIRCHWLFC Scholarship Winner

Sarris is a law student at Capital University Law School and is currently clerking at the Public Defender's Office and loves it! Having previously worked as a recruiter, and after witnessing some of the injustices employees face at work, Sarris was driven to attend law school and aspires to

run her own firm specializing in class actions.



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SARAH CHARLTON WLFC Scholarship Winner

Sarah Charlton is a law student at The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law and plans to pursue a career in litigation. She is looking forward to practicing in Columbus after she graduates in 2023, and is passionate about criminal law and access to legal help. Sarah

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