



Biography of Karen White

Executive Director

Conference of Western Attorneys General

Karen White serves as the Executive Director of the Conference of Western Attorneys General (CWAG) and is responsible for the day-to-day operations and general administration of the Association. CWAG consists of 18 Western States and territories in the Pacific and 13 associate member States from across the country. Ms. White develops avenues which enhance the Attorneys General ability to obtain and utilize information regarding issues of particular importance to the West. Ms. White designs and implements programs and seminars, establishes communication between and amongst the offices of the Western Attorneys General and fosters relationships which benefit the interests of the chief legal officers and their staff.

The cultivation of CWAG's network of Attorneys General and staff has resulted in the Organization's national reputation for legal excellence for matters which fall within the purview of Attorneys General. From natural resource, environmental and criminal law issues to financial and consumer protection areas, the organization is recognized as a leader in facilitating conversations between public officials and the private sector.

Ms. White is also responsible for building relationships between the Attorneys General and outside entities including those from local, state and federal bodies and the business community. Additionally, Ms. White collaborates with Attorneys General from Mexico and Canada by facilitating cultural exchanges, initiating relationships and expediting the sharing of information on issues affecting North America.

Karen White has worked on behalf of the Attorneys General for 25 years. She began her career with CWAG as a law school intern doing legal research, moved on to serve as the Association's Meeting Planner and then the Deputy Director. In the summer of 2006 Karen White became the Executive Director of CWAG. Karen White is a 1989 graduate of Pacific Lutheran University in Tacoma, Washington, having studied Business and

Political Science with a Pre-Law emphasis. Karen attended the University of the Pacific McGeorge School of Law in Sacramento, California.

Karen and her husband Ron have three children and are enjoying their 23rd year of marriage.