



# MWL Networking Circles

Welcome to Minnesota Women Lawyers Networking Circles.

MWL Circles is dedicated to the development of successful networking relationships between attorneys, by matching 4-5 attorneys in a small-group networking setting. The goal of MWL Circles is to provide an opportunity for MWL members to foster meaningful networking connections within our membership.

## Getting Started

**MWL will randomly assign you to a group of 4-5 MWL members with similar location and time selections.** An email will be sent in mid-May containing a list with the names and contact information of the others in your group. One person from each group will be assigned as the first meeting coordinator. This person's responsibility is to contact the other participants in the group and coordinate your first meeting's place, location, and time.

**The Facilitator is responsible for making initial contact with the group.** Generally, groups are expected to meet at least 4 times throughout the year, but groups are absolutely welcome to meet on a varying basis depending on everyone's availability.

To facilitate successful experiences, MWL suggests using Doodle polls to help poll group member's availability.

## Goals and Expectations

**Be accessible and available.** Let your group know your preferred means of contact and when it's best to reach you. Respond to emails and calls promptly. If you don't hear back after attempting contact, don't be discouraged. Feel free to try again. If after trying multiple times you don't receive a response, please contact MWL.

**Take the initiative and be engaged.** Contact your group, ask questions, and suggest activities that are of interest. Follow up after each meeting.

**Discuss goals and expectations.** Frequency and location of meetings, availability, and modes of contact should be agreed upon from the start.

## Program Contact

MWL is here to support you and your groups. We are invested in making sure that all participants get the most out of this unique opportunity. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact:

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