

## GETTING STARTED: MENTEE CHECKLIST

Sometimes the hardest step is just getting started. The checklist below will help ensure you are prepared for your initial meeting with your mentor. Remember: this relationship is a two-way street. It's important that you put in the legwork to get the most out of your mentor's time. Take initiative and be flexible.

### Complete these Steps Prior to Initial Meeting:

- Review the Initial Meeting Guide (see pg. 9);
- Mentees are encouraged to watch the Webinar Training videos at <https://www.wisbar.org/formembers/membershipandbenefits/Pages/Ready-Set-Practice-Training-Video.aspx>
- Contact your mentor to set up the initial meeting;
- Think about areas you would specifically like to develop further (i.e. client development, time management, courtroom skills);
- Identify core curriculum concepts that interest you (see pg. 12-14);
- Identify practice area activities that interest you (see pg. 14-22);
- Research your mentor to learn about him or her.

### REMEMBER:

A mentoring relationship should **not** be viewed as the following:

- An opportunity to ask for employment, however, asking for career advice is acceptable.
- An opportunity to discuss current cases, however, asking for help with skill development is acceptable.