

CANDIDATE STATEMENTS

VICE PRESIDENT:

JoAnn Mancil – “I humbly accept the nomination for Vice President of The Paralegal Association of Wisconsin. It has been my pleasure to serve in this capacity over the last year. I am excited about the changes the current Board of Directors has made to date and have planned for the future. It is the Board’s goal to move our Association forward with the advances in technology and fresh ideas. I hope you will allow me to continue to serve you and our profession for the next two years.

SECRETARY:

Kathleen Boucher – “I have been a member of PAW since 2014. I currently work in a private law firm in Madison and as a part-time faculty member at Madison College. Since becoming a PAW member in 2014, I have coordinated chapter meetings at my law firm with the chapter directors. I have also assisted chapter directors in obtaining speakers for monthly meetings. Previously, I worked for the Federal Bankruptcy Court in Madison for 17 years. I believe in civic duty and giving back to my community. It is in that spirit of giving back to my PAW community that I offer my services as Secretary of the Association. Thank you for your consideration.”

Nicole (Nikki) Timmermans – “I have been a paralegal for 14 years. My background is in commercial litigation, but I recently made the jump to an in-house corporate paralegal position. I have been a member of PAW since 2011 and have been on the Board in some capacity since 2013. I absolutely love the paralegal profession and thoroughly enjoy being involved in PAW at the state level. I am very passionate about our profession and PAW and am dedicated to continuing to support both. I am very excited about the direction that the Board is moving the organization and can’t wait to see our growth in the coming years. I would appreciate your support and votes for me as Secretary so that I can continue to collaborate with the Board in our efforts to grow PAW and our profession as whole.”

DIRECTOR OF MEMBERSHIP:

Diane Fisher – “I work at CUNA Mutual Group as a Law Specialist III. I am a Securities Paralegal responsible for our investment company/investment adviser regulation, Securities and Exchange Commission compliance and reporting and various state securities commissions. I also manage the compliance function auditing our variable annuity and life products. I am active with the Wisconsin State Bar’s Wills for Heroes program and I am on our local school district’s Education Foundation Board where we award high school senior scholarships for college. I am an active volunteer in our local communities.”

I joined the PAW about five years ago. I have been Director of Membership for the past several years. I have enjoyed my time with the PAW organization. I find the annual seminars beneficial, networking with other paralegals and listening to great speakers. I have enjoyed meeting and working with paralegal professionals throughout the State of Wisconsin. We have a talented group of paralegals in our organization and I am proud to be an active member with PAW.

LA CROSSE CHAPTER DIRECTOR:

Erica Pedrazoli – “I am honored to be nominated to fill the balance of the term as the La Crosse Chapter Director. I have previously served in this capacity, prior to being elected as Treasurer of the Association. I believe it is important for the members of the La Crosse Chapter to have a contact individual and voice to the Board of Directors and will do my best to fulfill your needs.”

MADISON CHAPTER DIRECTOR:

Janice Walden – “I am honored to once again be nominated to serve as the Chapter Director for the Madison Chapter. I am excited about the changes the current Board of Directors has made to date and continues to develop planned changes for the future of the Association. I hope you will allow me to continue to serve you and our profession for the next two years.

WAUSAU CHAPTER DIRECTOR:

Tyler Richardson – “Over the past year the Board has engaged in a number of efforts to establish a strong foundation for the future of the organization, which admittedly came at the expense of local issues. As the Board completes execution of those efforts, I plan to shift back to supporting our region more directly and bring more members into PAW. The COVID-19 situation presents serious challenges to paralegals, and I hope I can be a resource during these times.”