

THE ROLE OF AREA DIRECTOR 1, 2, AND 3

Area Directors are required to either reside or be employed within their specific area 1, 2, or 3. Their role involves providing awareness and representation for that particular area.

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CANDIDATE FOR AREA 3 DIRECTOR: MARY KATHERINE MAYER, ACP



Paralegal Since: 05/20/2014

NALA Member Since: 10/07/2020

Educational Background: Legal Secretary-Mohawk Valley Comm. College (1984-1986) | Paralegal -Yavapai College (2011-2014)

Professional Certification/Awards: CORE Registered Paralegal (2014, lapsed) | Certified Paralegal (2020) | Advanced Certified Paralegal -Criminal Litigation | Advanced Certified Paralegal -Trial Practice

Volunteer Activities: Current Member of the NALA Professional Development Committee | Previous Board Member of the Arizona Paralegal Association

Membership in other Associations: Arizona Paralegal Association | National Association of Public Defenders

Other Qualifications or Comments: I am passionate about the Paralegal profession and helping paralegals succeed to be the best they can be. Being a Director would give me the platform to stay connected with paralegals within my District to give them a helping hand and encourage them. I want to be the person they can come to when they have any questions, someone just to talk with, or collaborate on solutions so they can be awesome!

I will represent NALA and my District with respect and to the best of my ability in everything I do and create a safe space for paralegals. Thank you.

Without strong leaders, often associations struggle to succeed. What are three values you believe you demonstrate as a leader? Take each trait and explain how that value would add benefit to your service on the NALA Board.

- A Leader must instill confidence in the way they conduct meetings. Also, realizing when you need outside help and not fearful of asking questions to those outside your association so that you can conduct business more efficiently.

While I like to try and handle things within my group of people, I will not hesitate to reach out to others so that we come to a resolution that best serves NALA members.

- A willingness to accept ideas from the members of the Board, knowing that everyone has a voice and want the members of NALA to succeed.

Will give everyone a voice and work together for the good of the members. I believe amazing things can come from everyone working together and sharing their ideas.

- A leader must have the ability to delegate assignments to others and to maintain communication with them.

I have come to realize things get done more productively and efficiently when the leader delegates assignments to others. Members of the Board want to participate in making their Board successful. Everyone has the knowledge and creativity to be able to ascertain greatness. Therefore, I would allow anyone who would like to take on a project to do so.

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