

## THE ROLE OF AT LARGE DIRECTOR

At Large Directors are required to either reside or be employed within areas 1, 2, or 3. Their role involves fulfilling the duties assigned to them by the Board officers. These directors will serve a two-year term.

## CANDIDATE FOR AT LARGE DIRECTOR: JEANNE ELLIOTT, ACP

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**Paralegal Since:** 08/02/2010

**NALA Member Since:** 08/28/2010

**Educational Background:** St. Louis Community College- Degree: Associate in Applied Science, Major: Legal Studies for the Paralegal | University of Missouri – St. Louis- Degree: Bachelor of Arts in Communication, Major: Communication; Minor: Philosophy

**Professional Certification/Awards:** Certified Paralegal, November 01, 2013 - CP Credential | Advanced Certified Paralegal, Corporate Structures, January, 2017 - ACP Credential | Advanced Certified Paralegal, Contract Management, February, 2023 - ACP Credential

**Volunteer Activities:** NALA At-Large Director 2003 -present | Women In Manufacturing Missouri Chapter VP: 2022 - 2024; Treasurer 2024 - present | AME Consortia - Association Manufacturing Excellence - Missouri Board: 2022 - present | NALA - Continuing Education Council Ex-Officio 2019 - 2020 | NALA - Continuing Education Council 2015 - 2020 | St. Louis Paralegal Association - Board (Director, President-Elect, President) 2012 - 2015

**Membership in other Associations:** Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM) 2014-present | Women In Manufacturing - Missouri Chapter 2022-present | AME Consortia - Association Manufacturing Excellence 2022-present | St. Louis Paralegal Association - Member 2010-2016

**Other Qualifications or Comments:** I have had the privilege of serving as the Secretary for Christy Industrial Holdings' Advisory Board of Directors since its inauguration in 2020. This role has provided me with extensive experience in Association Administration, reinforcing my ability to organize, facilitate, and actively participate in effective Board leadership. My familiarity with governance structures, meeting procedures, and strategic decision-making makes me a strong candidate for this position.

A unique qualification I bring is my diverse personal and professional background. Having lived in seven states—spanning the West Coast, Midwest, Southeast, and now Pennsylvania—I have developed a broad perspective that aligns well with the responsibilities of an At-Large Director. This experience has given me insight into regional and cultural nuances that strengthen my ability to serve a diverse membership effectively.

Additionally, I have served on NALA's Board of Directors under four outstanding leaders, each with distinct leadership styles. This exposure has enriched my understanding of board dynamics, collaboration, and the importance of adaptive leadership. I am eager to bring this experience, along with my commitment to engagement and strategic governance, to further the mission and impact of the Board.

I appreciate your consideration and would be honored to serve in this capacity.

**To be a truly great board member requires having good character, a strong commitment to the paralegal profession, the gift of time, and a willingness to use personal and professional resources to advance NALA's mission. Tell us your "why." Why are you interested in serving on the NALA Board of Directors?**

I'm excited to run for the At-Large Director role on NALA's Board because I'm passionate about helping people connect, grow, and truly transform, especially those that may not see their own potential at first. I've watched people blossom simply by being invited to the table. I believe the best ideas often come when working in teams (maybe over coffee/tea and a shared "aha" moment). I want to help this Board make space for more voices, and by doing that – make NALA even stronger.

One moment that captures my own "Why lead at NALA?"

I recently led a workshop on AI for our executive team—no pressure, just months of prep and a CEO counting on me! We knew we had one shot to spark interest. I kept it simple, put them in teams, and gave them real-world questions. The result? They saw how something that once sounded intimidating could actually save them weeks of work—and they left energized. I may have even overheard someone say, "AI isn't that scary after all."

Thank you for considering me. I'd be honored (and a little amazed) to serve alongside such a talented group to help NALA grow beyond even our own expectations.

Watch Jeanne's candidate video [here](#).