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STATEMENT OF INTEREST

The NALP community was integral to my professional learning and development when I left law practice to become a law school professional and I want to give back to this community in a meaningful way. I am an idea generator who enjoys working with others and help them on their professional development journeys, I am a certified Co-Active coach (certification from the Co-Active Training Institute in 2017) with over thirteen years of professional development experience counseling and coaching law students, associates, partners, and executives on their career aspirations and overcoming roadblocks. As a coach, I am skilled at recognizing the untapped talent and drive in others, as well as working with clients on emotional intelligence, leadership, and relationship-building skills. I have been invited to speak at conferences on several topics, including micro-aggressions, imposter syndrome, bias, and bad behavior, as well as professional development topics such as creating the career you want, time management, productivity, and neurodiversity. Recent talks include *LinkedIn at a Glance*, *Mindset Techniques*, and *Overcoming Imposter Syndrome*.

As a Nominating Committee member, I would work hard to seek out leaders, connectors, engagers, and mentors who are integral to NALP's professional development community. As a diverse candidate, I am committed to the Committee's recognition of underrepresented membership, particularly during this time when the legal community is experiencing backlash on diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives. I want to work to ensure that diverse candidates and ideas are included in the committee recruitment process. This has been my goal throughout my work with NALP, identifying the issues that people are talking about and supporting these discussions through presentations and involvement in the NALP community.

EXPERIENCE

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA LAW, SAN FRANCISCO (FORMERLY UC HASTINGS)

<i>Deputy Directory</i>	2022-Present
<i>Director of Employer Relations</i>	2019-2022
<i>Director of Public Interest and Public Service Programs</i>	2017-2019
<i>Associate Director of Public Interest and Public Service Programs</i>	2013-2017
<i>Associate Director of Public Interest, Public Service, Clerkship, and LLM Programs</i>	2010-2013

Foundations and Management Lab Coach, DUE COURSE 2024-2025

Co-Founder and Co-Active Coach, OUTLAW COACHING 2017-2022

LEADERSHIP

Presenter, NALP Professional Development Institute

Charting Your Own Path, How to Develop and Propose a New Role for Yourself and Your Team

Presenter, NALP Education Conference

"The View" on NALP BIPOC Career Progression: Provocative Strategies for Change, 2025

We Need to Talk about Communication Strategies for 1Ls and Transfer Students, 2024

How to Coach Guide and Lead the Confused and Uncertain Professional, 2023

Disrupting (Implicit?!) Bias On the Go, 2021

Take Control of Your Day: How to Manage Your Time Like A Pro, Part 2 2021; Part 1 2019;

Easing the Student Debt Crisis: Financial Management Tools to Empower the New Generation, 2019

Supporting Students Experiencing Bias-Related Bad Behavior, Microaggressions or Harassment, 2017

Advising Public Service Grads from Pre-Bar Passage to Life Transitions, 2017

Easy as PI: Implementing the Essentials of Public Interest Advising, 2016

Public Interest for the Long Haul: Preparing Students for a Career in Public Service, 2015

Co-Author, NALP Bulletin, Change How You View Your Time Before You Start to Manage It, 2021

NALP COMMITTEES: West/Rocky Mountain Section, Experienced Professionals Section, Law Student Professional Development Section, Law PD Section, JD Advantage Section. Formerly involved in Public Service and Judicial Clerkship sections.

Advisory Committee; Climate Survey Committee, UC LAW SF Diversity Equity, and Inclusion Working Group, 2021-2023

Member, International Coaching Federation (ICF), 2018-Present

Certified Instructor, Myers Briggs Type Indicator (MBTI), 2017

Develop and Facilitate 4 to 5 events on Neurodiversity topics annually, Piedmonters for Inclusive Education, 2021-present

EDUCATION

Fundamentals and ORSC@Work Courses, **ORGANIZATIONAL AND RELATIONSHIP SYSTEMS COACHING**, 2023

CPCC, Certified Professional Co-Active Coach, **CO-ACTIVE TRAINING INSTITUTE (CTI)**, 2017

JD, (Member, State Bar of California), **UNIVERSITY OF SAN FRANCISCO, SCHOOL OF LAW**, 2002

BA, Political Science, **UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SANTA CRUZ**, 1994