

ERIC BONO

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STATEMENT OF INTEREST

I am excited to seek a position on NALP's Nominating Committee. NALP recognizes that our association is better off when our leadership reflects the diversity of our membership. More than any other organization I know, NALP takes a proactive, self-reflective approach in an effort to ensure that all of our members—including those from historically underrepresented backgrounds—have the opportunity attain leadership roles in the association. The Nominating Committee is instrumental in NALP's effort to create an inclusive community both for the benefit of the association and for its members.

If elected to serve on NALP's Nominating Committee, I will relish the opportunity to help fellow NALP members ascend to leadership roles to strengthen the association and to enhance their own professional experiences. As a legal career professional with a sustained commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion and a good understanding of the leadership roles within NALP, I believe I could contribute to the Nominating Committee. Moreover, given my location in the Mountain West, I offer a viewpoint from a less populated part of the NALP community, which could be helpful to the Nominating Committee as well. Finally, my service to NALP in a variety of capacities over the years provides me with the perspective to help NALP achieve its goal of slating talented, diverse, and effective leaders for the benefit of the association. I am highly motivated to serve NALP by helping to ensure that it has strong and diverse leadership, and in doing so, lifting up our future leaders.

LEGAL INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

University of Denver Sturm College of Law, Denver, Colorado February 2011 – present
Assistant Dean for Career Opportunities

University of Colorado Law School, Boulder, Colorado July 2006 – January 2011
Director for the Private Sector and Judicial Clerkships (Promoted from Associate Director in 2008)

Baird & Kivsky, LLC, Denver, Colorado January 2004 – June 2006
Associate Attorney

Holme Roberts & Owen LLP, Denver, Colorado September 2001 – January 2004
Associate Attorney

SELECTED PARTICIPATION: NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR LAW PLACEMENT (“NALP”)

- Member, NALP Governance Task Force April 2024 – present
- Member, Future of the Legal Workplace Advisory Group March 2022 – April 2024
- 2022 Annual Education Conference Planning Committee March 2021 – April 2022
- Director, NALP April 2019 – April 2021
- NALP / ABA Employment Outcomes Advisory Group April 2018 – present
- Member, Working Group on Student Professionalism (developing relevant videos) April 2017 – April 2019
- Chair, Law Student Professional Development Section April 2017 – April 2019
- Member, Ethics & Standards Advisory Group April 2016 – April 2019
- Member, West Rocky Mountain Regional Resource Council April 2015 – April 2017

SELECTED COMMUNITY AND PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Member, Denver Area Legal Recruitment Association (“DALRA”) 2006 – present
- Member, “Dream Team-Diversity Pipeline Initiative” led by Denver Judge Adam Espinosa 2009 – present
- Board Member, Center for Legal Inclusiveness 2008 – 2011
Served as Fundraising Chair
- Member, 2007 Rocky Mountain Legal Diversity Summit steering committee 2006 – 2007
Co-chaired Sponsorship Subcommittee, which raised \$110,000 from forty-three sponsors

EDUCATION

The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law, Columbus, Ohio; Juris Doctor, 2001
Honors: *Ohio State Law Journal*, Managing Editor, 2000 – 2001; Staff Member, 1999 – 2000

Denison University, Granville, Ohio; Bachelor of Arts in Psychology, *summa cum laude*, 1995
Honors: *Phi Beta Kappa*