

Sherien Khonsari: Nominating Committee Nominee – Bio and Statement of Interest

It is an honor to be considered for the NALP Nominating Committee position. I have been a NALP member since 2005 when I first began my career in legal recruiting. I served as a legal recruiting coordinator for a law firm for a number of years before moving to the law school front. I'm currently the Digital & Communications Strategy Lead for Columbia Law School's Professional Affairs Administration – consisting of the school's three career offices (Office of Public Interest and Public Service Law and Careers, Office of Private Sector Careers, and the Office of Judicial Careers) as well as the Office of Graduate Programs. In this multifunctional role, I help the career offices increase student engagement and participation by re-formulating and implementing new processes and communication plans. Prior to this role, I managed all private sector career interview events offered by the law school and also received a M.S. in Strategic Communications at Columbia University.

My tenure in the legal recruitment/professional development field has led to many opportunities to appreciate the importance of the NALP community. The organization has played a significant role in my professional development and growth. I am fortunate to be a member of the current AEC Planning Committee and this experience has solidified my interest in continuing to be an active member of NALP. I am confident my background in leadership, cross-functional collaboration, and talent management will allow me to contribute meaningfully to the Nominating Committee. I will also be able to leverage my long-standing network to identify talented and enthusiastic individuals who will uphold NALP's mission through their advanced involvement. Further, I look forward to continue working with and learning from my esteemed peers across the NALP community.

I appreciate your consideration of my candidacy.