

Nomination Application Questions

List your current professional responsibilities. (Please be sure to highlight any financial, writing, communication, leadership, etc. responsibilities where possible).

I have been practicing part-time as an LNC since 2007, the year I established my business. I began practicing full-time as a legal nurse consultant professionally in 2010. Due to a merger and subsequent reduction in force, I finished my BSN and transitioned to working full-time in my private practice.

Although not necessarily professional, I have served voluntarily in various leadership positions within my church callings or positions. Most recently, I served for four years in an area presidency with three other women. The presidency consisted of a president and two counselors. I was a counselor; we counseled with one another to determine how best we could support the other local leaders. We also provided local leadership education and coordinated various service projects with the help of 250 women. We organized and executed a yearly women's conference, including service projects and a luncheon. We also provided leadership training for the six local area presidencies for which we were responsible. Our presidency met monthly at regularly scheduled times to coordinate and plan the particulars of the service we provided. We also met with the individual units on both a yearly and monthly basis. We also oriented new local leaders as callings or positions were changed. The time commitment seems similar to what the AALNC Leadership Succession Committee would require.

I provide numerous hours in my community with Just-Serve a non-profit organization that distributes yearly food boxes in the Central Valley. I have participated in a community shoe drive for the homeless citizens of our community. I have also assisted my community of Springville during the 2022 flooding that occurred in my home town.

How would you add value to the Leadership Succession Committee?

I am a worker, a producer, and I show up. I meet deadlines. I am also a people person. However, I want to work together for the benefit of the group as a whole, not for personal gain. I like to serve. Providing service in any capacity is valuable and benefits not only the person who serves but the entire group. For the last forty years, I have worked with people in one capacity or another. Before nursing school, I worked for an airline as a flight attendant. One must like people and learn to get along as a team when working on a full aircraft with people from all walks of life. Not to mention the different crew personalities. These personal and professional skills directly apply to the Leadership Succession Committee.

What is your vision for AALNC and the legal nurse consulting profession?

My vision is to see continued growth for AALNC and the legal nurse consulting profession as a whole. I have watched AALNC grow over the past 17 years since I opened my business. There have been many valuable changes, and some have already been noted. The beauty of nursing is that there are so many areas of practice. This specialty will continue to grow. It is interesting. As nurses, we are patient advocates; as legal nurses, we advocate in a different way using our education and experience. The future is bright for legal nurse consultants.