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CANDIDATE FOR AILA BOARD OF GOVERNORS

"The work goes on, the cause endures, the hope still lives, and the dream shall never die."

Edward Kennedy (1980)

AILA Service:

Active AILA member and volunteer for over 20 years

- Carolinas Chapter Chair (1994-96)
- AILF (now AIC) Trustee Emeritus; Board of Trustees (1998–2004); founding Chair of AILF/AIC Ambassadors program
- National Committees - ICE, EOIR and TSC Liaison; Ethics and Practice Management Committee; Grassroots Advocacy; Board of Publications; *ILT* Advisory Board
- Chair, Waivers and Pro Bono Committees
- AILA Conference Committees - 4 Annual; Mid-Year (2007); Chair, Fall Conference on Litigation (2005); Chair, Basics (2002)
- Associate Editor, *AILA's Immigration Litigation Toolbox, 2nd Ed., Ethics in a Brave New World, and Annual Conference Immigration Law Handbook* (1995-2001)
- Presented at every Annual Conference since 1994 and at many specialized AILA conferences
- Authored, revised or edited numerous articles for AILA publications

NC Immigration Activities:

- Chair, NC Bar Association Immigration Law Committee (1992-93, 2005-06, 2009-11)
- NC State Bar Immigration Law Specialization Committee (2004-10)
- Adjunct Immigration Law Professor – NC Central University and Elon University Law Schools
- Invited presentations for national, state and local bar and civic organizations
- Currently planning state-wide CLE program on *Padilla v. Kentucky*
- NC Certified Immigration Specialist since 1997
- *Best Lawyers* for Immigration Law since 1991
- Martindale-Hubbell AV rating and *Bar Register of Preeminent Lawyers*

Thank you for considering all the candidates for AILA National Office and Board of Governors. I would appreciate your vote!

Vision:

AILA's first priority is support of our members.

- Our members depend on AILA to challenge government inaction, violations of due process and improper policy changes through liaison with agencies and litigation when necessary. Members will succeed in their practices by being able to provide the best legal services possible and "get the job done" for clients. To help our members with the business of practicing immigration law, AILA must continue to provide and expand law practice management programs and assistance -- to educate members about how to efficiently and ethically run their practices, market their services and address personal needs.

We must remain diligent advocates for non-citizens.

- At the same time, AILA must continue to be a leading voice for Comprehensive Immigration Reform by educating lawmakers and working with pro-immigration coalitions. AILA Leadership also must encourage each member to be actively involved in grassroots advocacy and fortify members with the necessary information and tools to accomplish these efforts.

Personal Strengths:

I practice in a small firm where we represent clients in all areas of immigration law; my practice specifically includes removal defense and litigation, complex business-based petitions and waivers, family law and naturalization. The AILA Board needs members who understand a wide range of practice issues and can quickly respond to statutory, regulatory and government policy changes.

With my experience serving AILA in many roles, I look forward to being able to jump in and immediately contribute to Board of Governors decision making.

I believe that my leadership style of learning about the issues, listening to all sides, clearly explaining my own position and being willing to compromise *when appropriate* will serve me well on the AILA Board of Governors.