## **Candidate Statement**

The DC Bar has enriched my life for 30 years. Originally from rural Minnesota, I joined Williams & Connolly in 1990 after a federal clerkship. Two years ago, I left W&C to form a litigation firm with a friend I met through a Bar program. It literally would not exist were it not for the DC Bar.

In earlier years I helped found the Media Law Committee, and I now serve on the Lawyers' Assistance Committee. I also have held leadership roles at Catholic Charities Legal Network.

As we emerge from Covid, I see a need for connectedness in a profession where many are working remotely. As one who has worked in both a large, established firm and now a two-person office, I am sensitive to the needs and realities of practice at both ends of the spectrum. From personal experience, I know the Bar has a lot to offer.