Statement of Melissa McClure Candidate for Steering Committee Family Law Community

Thank you for considering me for the Steering Committee. I am a Senior Staff Attorney at Legal Aid DC in the Family/Domestic Violence Unit. Before Legal Aid, I was a Senior Associate at the DC Affordable Law Firm. I am also a DC resident and have lived in the DC area for over fifteen years.

I am passionate about practicing at the intersections of family law, poverty law, and social justice. I represent low-income families in custody, child support, divorce, and protection order cases, and I am particularly focused on resolving matters through collaborative dispute resolution. I am also part of the Family Law Assistance Network (FLAN) and Child Support Resource Center (CSRC) teams, where I provide same-day advice and representation.

If chosen to serve on the Steering Committee, I would focus on collaborating with and supporting other family law attorneys in D.C, including through mentorship opportunities.