## **Candidate Statement**

Hollywood makes movies; Detroit makes cars; DC makes law. We, the members of the DC Bar, practice in the heart of our industry. Our diverse bar includes many of the best and the brightest attorneys in the nation. My desire to serve as President-Elect of the DC Bar proceeds from my sense of duty and respect for each of you, my fellow bar members.

Like many of you, I came to Washington to practice law in government and private practice. I worked for Treasury on September 11, 2001, when our city as attacked, for the Joint Committee on Taxation during the earthquake of 2011, and now for BakerHostetler where I am a partner and national Team Leader learning to navigate the COVID-19 pandemic and the profound changes it has wrought on the legal industry.

Throughout my career, I have always made service to the DC Bar a priority. I have held leadership roles at the DC Bar continuously for the past 15 years, serving as Chair of the Exempt Organizations Committee, Tax Section, Section's Council, and Communities Committee. I helped transition DC Bar Sections to Communities, working closely with the DC Bar Board, Management, Volunteers, and Staff to lead through this major change of governance, and implemented a major diversity and equity initiative.

I bring a career of experience in nonprofit governance, oversight, and compliance to the DC Bar and the DC Bar Pro Bono Center. As I frequently tell mission-driven clients, you must walk your talk. As your President-Elect, I will ensure that the bar is faithful to its policies and effective in its mission to enhance access to justice, improve the legal system, and empower lawyers to achieve.

Thank you for the opportunity to continue to serve you and the DC bar. I am grateful for your vote.