



Residents Forum Executive Committee Elections

## Candidate for Digital Strategy Liaison

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**When are you taking your boards? –2027**

#### **How did you become interested in serving on the RFEC?**

The posting caught my attention because it seemed like a great opportunity to make a meaningful impact within the pathology community. I was also encouraged by the program's commitment to supporting residents and fostering professional growth.

#### **What do you hope to accomplish during your time, if elected?**

We all know that digital communication is one of the most powerful tools we have, and I hope to use my experience in social media and content creation to help amplify the voice of pathology in meaningful and creative ways. From what I've seen, there's still a lot of great CAP content and resources that don't always reach as many members as they could—and I'd love to help change that. Whether it's through more engaging Instagram stories, Twitter threads highlighting CAP initiatives, or short-form videos that demystify our work, I hope to contribute ideas that increase visibility and drive connection.

I also want to be someone who brings in a fresh perspective and who's ready to listen, learn, and collaborate. There's so much potential to connect with pathologists across career stages and specialties, and I believe we can use social media not just to inform, but to inspire. At the same time, I see this as a great opportunity for my own growth—both personally and professionally—and I'm genuinely excited about learning from others on the committee and contributing to something bigger than myself.

#### **Please convey your understanding of the role of an Residents Forum Executive Committee member and their responsibility to the Residents Forum and the College of American Pathologists.**

From my understanding as members of the Residents Forum Executive Committee, we will have an important responsibility to represent and advocate for residents within the structure of the College of American Pathologists. We will act as a vital link between residents, their representatives, and the CAP, focusing on thoughtful planning, clear communication, and professional conduct—all while supporting our own growth and career development.

#### **Please address the time commitment for the office in which you are interested and your ability to fulfill it.**

I've reviewed the time commitment for the position and I feel confident in my ability to fully meet and prioritize those responsibilities.



## **What talents and skills do you bring to the Residents Forum Executive Committee that you believe would benefit the Residents Forum?**

I bring a unique blend of communication skills, digital engagement experience, and a strong commitment to advocacy and outreach—qualities I believe would be a real asset to the Residents Forum Executive Committee. Through my current role as a Resident Council Member and Ambassador for the American Society for Clinical Pathology (ASCP), I've been actively involved in promoting pathology awareness through student outreach, events, and educational initiatives. This experience has taught me how to represent trainee perspectives effectively, while also advocating for the specialty at a broader level. I'm passionate about helping others discover and understand the value of pathology, and I see the Residents Forum as a powerful platform to expand that effort.

I also have hands-on experience using digital tools to build community and drive engagement. As the Instagram/Social media moderator for my residency program, I help manage and curate content that highlights resident life, showcases educational moments, and fosters a stronger online presence for our program. I'm comfortable using analytics, and editing platforms—and I enjoy translating complex ideas into accessible, visually appealing content.

Beyond that, I've been involved in process improvement efforts, such as my work with the Frozen Section Operations Task Force at my residency program, where I helped streamline workflows to improve turnaround time. I've also taken initiative in peer education as a learning group facilitator during medical school and as an online tutor in bioinformatics, showing my ability to teach, mentor, and collaborate across diverse settings. Whether it's developing new outreach strategies, brainstorming ways to amplify resident voices, or helping streamline communication within the Forum, I'm excited to contribute to a team that is shaping the future of pathology training.

## **What else should the Residents Forum know about you?**

I am an avid Harry Potter fan! (Yes, It's totally fine for adults to love Harry Potter— sometimes we all just need a wand and some butterbeer to cope.)