



Residents Forum Executive Committee Elections

Candidate for Member-at-Large

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When are you taking your boards? – 2028

How did you become interested in serving on the RFEC?

While preparing for residency applications in 2023, I enriched my experience by attending CAP, fostering valuable networking opportunities with residents and attendings, and gaining exposure to the latest advancements in pathology.

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

Goal: Boost Resident Engagement

- 1) Targeted Recruitment: Partner with residency programs and underrepresented groups, and attend conferences to attract a diverse pool. Revise recruitment materials for inclusivity.
- 2) Welcoming Environment: Organize social events (online/offline) for junior members to connect and foster long-term engagement.

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.

They shape the future of the Forum, ensure its smooth operation, and serve as a voice and hub for education, networking, and professional development.

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

I understand the importance of time management in residency programs. I'm confident in my ability to effectively prioritize tasks and manage my workload efficiently.

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

I am available to dedicate the necessary time and effort to this position.

What else should the Residents Forum know about you?

I am a skilled communicator with a proven ability to connect with a broad audience and share valuable information. I leverage my strong social media presence, particularly on Twitter, to start my career in Pathology in the US. Additionally, I am an active participant in conferences, fostering valuable networking opportunities and staying current with the latest research.