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STATEMENT OF INTEREST

How do we create progress in a field that is a full-time passion project? Family law is incredibly difficult and incredibly important. We need attorneys in this field to take hard topics seriously, to work hard without burning out, to meet a variety of client needs, and to create progress that is based on more than just passion. This is no easy task. Family law attorneys and clients deserve a strong family law section for this exact reason, and I want to be a part of that.

I believe I would be a good candidate for a position as an at-large member of the Family Law Section Executive Committee because of my belief in accessible legal services, attention to detail, and perspective as a young attorney at a small firm. I would be committed to attending meetings regularly, participating in subcommittees, and serving the family law section with integrity.

Above all, I strongly desire to bring change to domestic violence cases and how they are viewed by our courts. While newer laws recognizing coercive control are a starting point for changing the domestic violence narrative, I think it is imperative that we continue the legislative discussion with attorneys who focus in this area.