

2019 NARALO Elections, Selections, and Appointments

IMPORTANT: The process for posting nominations is as follows: 1) Nominations, including self-nominations *must* be made directly to their RALO's mailing list; followed by 2) Nominations *must* be posted to the 2019 ALAC and RALO Elections, Selections and Appointments Workspace [or](#) by sending a note to At-Large staff.

This call for nominations is to be issued on **Friday, 29 March 2019** for the various elected/selected positions within NARALO. This call is being made in accordance with the NARALO Operating Principles (<https://community.icann.org/x/Z44i>).

All nominees are expected to submit a brief statement explaining why they believe they are a suitable candidate and also must complete or update their Statement of Interest (see: [At-Large New SOIs Workspace](#)).

There are three positions up for elections/selection this year: Secretariat, ALAC Member and the NomCom delegate representing North America. These positions are detailed below.

If you would like to nominate someone or to put yourself forward for selection, please post your nomination on the NA-DISCUSS Mailing List (na-discuss@atlarge-lists.icann.org) and send a note to **At-Large staff**.

Open Positions

NARALO Secretariat: Currently held by Glenn McKnight. Glenn is not term limited. This two year term will run between the end of the 2019 AGM and the 2021 AGM.

ALAC Representative: Currently held by John Laprise. John is not term limited. This two year term will run between the end of the 2019 AGM and the 2021 AGM.

NARALO NomCom Delegate: The current NA delegate to the 2019 NomCom is Leah Symekher. Leah's is term limited. This one year term will run between the end of the 2019 AGM and the 2020 AGM.

Summary of Open Positions and Nominations

Position	Current Holder of Position	Nominee	Nominated By	Date Accepted	Nominee's Statement	Results	Term to Serve
ALAC Member (RALO)	John Laprise (Eligible for re-appointment)	John Laprise	Marita Moll	2019/04/01	<p>Two years ago, you elected me as ALAC representative and I'm honored to have your trust. Since then, I've tried to live up to your expectations and those of end users in North America. Much of my work on the ALAC these days is diplomatic. I listen a lot to other constituencies but mostly I listen to you. I try to reflect your interests and concerns in online and face to face discussions and impact the direction of ALAC decisions so that they reflect all of us in North America. My peers on the ALAC seem to think I've been doing a very good job. Since you elected me, the ALAC has handed me increasingly more demanding responsibilities. At the last ICANN meeting, I was vice chair for policy. Working together with Jonathan Zuck, we implemented several things that made At Large sessions more accessible and policy focused including dispensing with generic session names and adopting more detailed descriptions so participants can more easily find sessions in which they're interested. We also issued public statements on behalf of At Large in the open forum sessions to communicate to the Board, ICANN, and other SOs and ACs what At Large was concerned with. Another part of my work as vice chair is diplomacy. Our chair, Maureen Hilliard is very busy. As vice chair I found that my breaks between meetings (and increasingly my email box) filled with people wanting to communicate and build relationships with the ALAC and At Large including NPOC, NCUC, GNSO, and all manner of subgroups. This often gives me the opportunity to provide NARALO and the NARALO secretariat with the best information about what is going on in the community.</p> <p>The ALAC learning curve is steep but I have surmounted it and hit my stride. I am honored to have your trust and confidence. Please vote to re-elect me so that I can continue the work I have started making ALAC more transparent and accessible to NARALO and At Large while representing your interests faithfully and with distinction.</p> <p>Sincerely, John Laprise</p>		2019 AGM to 2021 AGM
		Jonathan Zuck	Alfredo Calderon	2019/04/01	EOI	Jonathan Zuck	2019 AGM to 2021 AGM

NARALO Secretariat	Glenn McKnight (Eligible for re- appointment)	Leah Symekher	Susannah Gray	2019/03/31	<p>I am excited and welcome the opportunity to work collaboratively with the NARALO Chair and community to serve and support as the NARALO Secretary. As a first timer in this position, I believe that I bring a fresh valuable perspective to the team. Additionally, my experience as an active NARALO Primary Chapter (SFBay Area ISOC) representative provides a strong foundation and knowledge to help enhance the organization's focus on policy development, outreach and growing the effectiveness of this community.</p> <p>It has been a great honor to be the representative for NARALO & ALAC North America on the 2018-2019 ICANN Nominating Committee (NomCom). Serving on the NomCom as the ALAC North America delegate has continued to expand my involvement in the ICANN community that will support NARALO's cross-community endeavors. I have taken the opportunity while on the NomCom to serve on several sub-committees and Co-Chair of the Outreach Sub-Committee with the goal of supporting NomCom's efforts. It is this professionalism, team-work and commitment that I bring to the NARALO Secretary position if elected.</p> <p>My NomCom commitment ends in September after the ICANN AGM opening time for me to serve effectively in this position.</p> <p>I thank you for your consideration.</p>		
		Judith Hellerstein	Greg Shatan	2019/04/01	<p>My decision to run for the Secretariat Position again is to continue the work that I had started in in my previous term where I grew attendance at RALO meetings from 15-30 people. I had a very close working relationship with the current NARALO Chair and the past one when I was Secretariat and if elected, I am sure this will continue to be the case. I have worked closely with Eduardo, the NARALO Chair at NASIG, and at ATLAS 2 and other committees. I would like to continue to engage with the ALSes and to get many more people within each ALS to be active either on policy issues, contribute to working groups or other means of remaining active. I would like to reach out to each of the ALS representatives and see how I can get them involved with NARALO besides just coming to NARALO Meetings. I plan on reaching out to the ALS and individual members and finding out from them what they would like to work on or what the NARALO Leadership can help with. This would expand on the smaller working groups that Eduardo created and work to get each of the ALSes engaged. In this vein, I have been working with Glenn McKnight and Alfredo Calderon in the Outreach and Engagement working group to both figure out how to increase the knowledge of NARALO Members but also to help design a policy workshop showing others how to write and develop policy, whether it is governance policy or development policy. If we can get more people to help write either ALAC advice, provide community input, advice or comments, we can show how easy it is to write and contribute to policy statements. This should get more people engaged and contributing to policy advice. In the past year, I have been the pen holder for several ALAC Policy statements and have also submitted several individual statements. I have worked hard to build consensus among At Large Members on certain issues so that we could speak with one voice in the ALAC policy comments.</p> <p>NARALO has its challenges and under my past leadership we developed a clear vision and strategy to mobilize our membership to get involved with NARALO activities. We also cleaned up the bylaws and worked to make them more flexible. Also, under my past leadership, we redesigned our outreach material and created a simple catchy mail card instead of a detailed brochure, as these are more effective in catching people's attention. We were the only RALO to do this. We seek to engage people and promote ICANN and NARALO to areas of the country where we have no ALSes and to communities that are not aware of At Large, such as rural and remote communities, people with disabilities, Indigenous people, non-profits working on consumers issues. We have created intake forms so we can follow up on leads and we are working hard on planning the next NASIG which will be in Montreal in late October, early November. We are always looking to help expand the knowledge and engagement of all NARALO Members not just on NARALO calls but also on other At Large working groups, Cross Community groups, Workstreams, and GNSO PDPs.</p> <p>I am passionate about working and engaging all end users specifically those from unrepresentative areas of North America. I believe strongly in having an open and transparent process that respects the opinions of all our members. It is only by having an open process that people can have trust that their representative will work for them and for what they believe. In this vein, I would like to resume the process of having all NARALO Members view and comment on new member applications. I find that helps others get to know who the new members are and make them feel part of the decision making process. I will seek consensus opinion and get more of our ALSes involved in different working groups.</p> <p>In closing, I believe I provide leadership, organizational skills, attention to detail and experience that is an essential combination for the Secretariat position. I ask for your vote so that I can bring my expertise to the NARALO leadership team. Here is the link to my SOI Judith Hellerstein SOI, which lists the number of working groups committees, Cross Community Groups that I am active on and was appointed to by ALAC during my time at ICANN. I hope you will support my candidacy and look forward to your support.</p>	Judith Hellerstein	2019 AGM - 2021 AGM

Schedule

NARALO Selection Timetable for 2019 ALAC Members:

- 29 March 2019- Announcement of call for nominations and Nominee's Statement.**
- 29 April – 10 May 2019 - Nomination period (nominations accepted for 10 working days).
- 17 May 2019 - Deadline for nomination acceptances
- 20 May - 22 May 2019 - Calls with the candidates if desired by the RALOs.
- 23 May - 30 May 2019 - Elections (If required, elections will begin no later than one week after the deadline for nomination acceptances and end no later than two weeks after that deadline).
- 2019 AGM [ICANN 66] - Newly elected ALAC Members and RALOs Leaders shall be seated at the end of the 2019 AGM following the close of the Board Meeting on 7 November 2019.

.** NOTES ON NOMINATIONS

1. All nominees are expected to submit a brief statement explaining why they believe they are a suitable candidate and must also complete or update their Statement of Interest (see: [At-Large New SOIs Workspace](#)).
2. No one who is currently serving on the Nominating Committee may be nominated for the ALAC. See <https://www.icann.org/resources/pages/governance/bylaws-en#VII-8>

ALAC Voting Delegates to the NomCom for 2019-2020

The ICANN Bylaws require that the ALAC, in consultation with the RALOs, appoints five voting members of the NomCom, one per ICANN region. Voting members of the NomCom are appointed for a one year term, starting at the close of the 2019 Annual General Meeting and ending at the 2020 Annual General Meeting, and may be re-appointed for a further term of one year subject to the requirement under the [ICANN Bylaws](#).

- [XI-2.4.e](#) The ALAC shall, after consultation with each RALO, annually appoint five voting delegates (no two of whom shall be citizens of countries in the same Geographic Region, as defined according to Section 5 of Article VI to the Nominating Committee.
- [VII-3.1](#) Each voting delegate shall serve a one-year term. A delegate may serve at most two successive one-year terms, after which at least two years must elapse before the individual is eligible to serve another term.

Roles Previously Held By	Nominee	Nominated by/ Supported by	Date Accepted	Nominee's Statement	Regional Candidate(s) Recommended to the ALAC	ALAC Appointed Delegates to the NomCom
Leah Symekher (NOT eligible for re- appointment)	Glenn McKnight	Marita Moll	2019/04/01	<p>Key is attitude and having the right mix of professionalism, dedication and discretion in being a good and valuable member of ICANN NOMCOM</p> <p>I have substantial experience as a previous NOMCOM member for two years, ISOC Nomination Chair, ISOC Nomination committee member and with CIRA (Canadian cCTLD)</p> <p>I am committed to being a team member of the NOMCOM and providing my sincere efforts to outreach and market the opportunity for people to join ICANN as a board member or other committees.</p> <p>I would appreciate the community support</p>	Glenn McKnight by acclamation.	2019 AGM - 2020 AGM