

Leah Symekher SOI

At-Large Statement of Interest (SOI) Form

1) Please enter your Name:	Leah Symekher
2) Picture/Image: <i>(Instructions: Click in the field to the right to open up the text input window. Then click the <Insert> menu button, select <Image>, then choose (or browse) to locate an image file (e.g., JPG, PNG, BMP) from your local computer to upload. After insertion, please click on the picture and adjust the size to no larger than 200 pixels).</i>	
3) Are you participating in the At-Large advisory process (including email and real-time discussions) as a representative of:	
a) ALAC (if so, detail the region and term):	No
b) A Regional At-Large Organization (RALO) (if so, please detail the region, position and term):	NARALO, San Francisco Bay Area ISOC Chapter ALS Representative for 5 years
c) An ICANN-accredited At-Large Structure (if so, which one):	NARALO, San Francisco Bay Area ISOC Chapter ALS Representative for 5 years
d) Any ICANN Committee, Constituency or Stakeholder Group (if so, which one(s))?	ICANN Nominating Committee
e) Any other company or organization, whether commercial or nonprofit (if so, please detail the organization and your position):	No
4) Please identify your current employer(s):	None
5) Please identify your current position(s):	None

6) Please identify the type(s) of work performed:	I have been a Business Development profession in Hi-Tech for over 10 years. My recent employment was for 6 years at Internet Systems Consortium (ISC) until December 2016. At ISC I supported global customers that included: RIRs, ccTLDs, ISPs, Technology, Fortune 500 companies and government. I have since getting laid-off dedicated my time volunteering for ICANN NOMCOM & SFBay Area ISOC as Consultant and Advisor to the Board, Project Lead and Primary NARALO Representative. In 2018, I completed managing a regional Rural-Urban Digital Divide Broadband Project for SFBay Area ISOC funded by ISOC's Beyond the Net Grant and North America Regional ISOC grant. This project advocates for Internet Access in rural farming regions of California. For continued community, industry outreach and education, I secured a speaking slot and booth presence at the Silicon Valley AgTech conference (https://www.svagtech.org/wp/) to present the project results on May 3rd, 2018. Here is the project summary: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D0dgWFjMnCh
7) Please identify your declared country of primary residence:	U.S.A
8) Please list any financial relationship beyond de minimus stock ownership you may have with any company that to your knowledge has a financial relationship or contract with ICANN:	None
9) Please identify any other relevant arrangements, interests, or benefits as requested in the following two questions:	
a) Do you, your employer, and /or sponsor have any type of material or financial interest in the At-Large advisory process and its outcomes?	No
If the answer is "Yes," please describe the interest:	
b) Are there any arrangements /agreements between you and any other group, constituency or person(s) regarding your participation as a work team member?	No
If the answer is "Yes," please describe the arrangements /agreements and the name of the group, constituency, or person(s):	
10) Please identify any Working Groups or other chartered teams in which you are participating (include acronyms, if applicable):	NomCom Review Implementation Working Group (NomComRIWG) (In process) NomCom2 Review Feasibility Assessment and Initial Implementation Plan (FAIIP) (completed)

11) Additional information (optional):	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. 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. My NomCom commitment ends in September after the ICANN AGM opening time for me to serve effectively in this position. I thank you for your consideration.
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