

## **Accounting Behavior and Organizations Section (ABO)** **Candidates for the 2021-2022 ABO Section Election**

The ABO Section Nominations Committee announces the candidates for President-Elect and Secretary-Treasurer. Current candidates for the 2021-2022 Section positions and are listed below.

Also, as part of this year's ballot, we have 2 proposed Section bylaws revisions for your review and to vote on. The bylaws revision information is directly below. The election will open on Monday, April 26, 2021.

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### **Proposed Revision 1 Background Information:**

As part of the AAA's bylaws standardization in 2018, the ABO Bylaws were changed to include an elected Nominations Committee. This change would necessitate two ABO elections per year – one election for the Nominations Committee and a subsequent election for the elected positions. An elected Nominations Committee is critical for other sections that do not require at least two candidates for each elected position (e.g., FARS). The ABO section does not allow candidates to run unopposed. Thus, the ABO Executive Committee recommends that we return to the prior, less cumbersome, procedures where Nominations Committee members are appointed. Note that under this change, ABO members will continue to vote for the President-Elect, Secretary/Treasurer, VP-Regions, and Council Representative positions, and the section will continue to require at least two candidates for each elected position.

### **Proposed Bylaws Wording for Revision 1:**

*Nominations Committee. The Nominations Committee duties include soliciting candidates from the membership for open offices and preparing a slate of at least two (2) candidates for each of the open offices. It will consist of the Past President (who will chair the Committee) and four (4) other non-officer members who are approved by a majority of the Executive Committee. Members of the ABO Nominations Committee are not eligible for nomination to any ABO Section office while serving on the Committee.*

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### **Proposed Revision 2 Background Information:**

To help the section better manage its financial decisions, the ABO Executive Committee recommends that the ABO Secretary/Treasurer serve in an advisory role for one year after their term ends.

### **Proposed Bylaws Wording for Revision 2:**

*Past Treasurer. The Past Treasurer helps advise the Executive Committee on the Section's fiscal decisions. The Past Treasurer will serve in that office for one (1) year.*

## **SECTION ELECTION CANDIDATES:**

### **PRESIDENT-ELECT CANDIDATES:**

#### **Justin Leiby, University of Illinois**

Justin Leiby is an Associate Professor of Accountancy, RC Evans Innovation Fellow, & Professor Ken Perry Faculty Fellow at the University of Illinois. Justin's research focuses on

judgment and decision making, the incentives and motivations of professionals, and human capital in accounting and other business fields. His research has been published in *The Accounting Review*, *Journal of Accounting Research*, *Contemporary Accounting Research*, *Auditing: A Journal of Practice & Theory*, and *Accounting, Organizations and Society*. Justin earned a doctorate at the University of Illinois and undergraduate degrees in Accounting and German at the University of Pittsburgh. He is active in the ABO and currently serves as Treasurer. Justin thanks you for reading this bio because he really likes writing about himself in the third person.

### **Linda Thorne, York University**

Dr Linda Thorne FCPA is a professor of Accounting at the Schulich School of Business at York University in Toronto, after receiving her PhD from McGill university. She has been involved with the ABO section throughout her career not only attending the section conference and mid-year meeting but also by receiving the ABO best dissertation award, member of the editorial board as well as reviewing and publication in BRIA. She has over 50 publications using survey, qualitative, experimental and archival methodologies that focus on the effect of accounting information on accountants, accounting students and taxpayers' ethical perceptions, actions and behaviors.

## **SECRETARY-TRESURER CANDIDATES:**

### **Lindsay Andiola, Virginia Commonwealth University**

Lindsay Andiola is an Assistant Professor of Accounting at Virginia Commonwealth University. Her research interests include audit firm quality control initiatives, auditor-auditor interactions, audit firm culture, and auditor professional development. Her interest in professional development extends to the undergraduate audit classroom where she has developed a number of teaching cases that help students learn using "real world" audit techniques. Her work is published in *Accounting, Organizations, and Society*, *Accounting Horizons*, *Auditing: A Journal of Practice & Theory*, *Behavioral Research in Accounting*, and *Issues in Accounting Education*. Lindsay's research has been supported by awards from the CAQ Access to Audit Personnel and VCU's Quest for Distinction. The VCU School of Business has also recognized her as a Summer Research Fellow. Lindsay graduated from American University in 2005, receiving a BS in Business Administration with concentrations in Accounting and Finance. In 2015, she completed her PhD in Accountancy at Bentley University. During the PhD program, she was an AICPA Accounting Doctoral Scholar. Prior to the PhD program, she spent three years with KPMG as an auditor and three years in corporate accounting at a private equity firm in NYC.

### **Lorenzo Patelli, University of Denver**

Lorenzo Patelli is an associate professor and the interim director of the School of Accountancy at the University of Denver. He serves on the Editorial Board of *Advances in Management Accounting* and on the Committee on Ethics of the Institute of Management Accountants. He has received the 2008 David Solomons Prize from *Management Accounting Research* and several teaching excellence awards. His research is in the area of tone management (how disclosure tone reveals managerial characteristics) and performance measurement (how performance metrics influence behavior).