

# **INTENT TO RUN FOR ELECTED OFFICE SEPTEMBER 2016 POPAI ELECTION**

**Position Desired:** Circle the office for which you wish to run. All offices are 2-year terms.

**SECRETARY**                      **\*\*\*\*I wish to run for secretary\*\*\*\***

**Probation Officer Name:** Susan Bentley

**Probation Department:** Hendrick's County POPAI District #: 5

**Work Address (include zip):** 51 West Main St. #101 Danville, IN 46122

**Work Phone:** 317-718-6185 **Work Fax:** 317-745-3075

**Present Position (title):** Chief Probation Officer

**Length of Employment:** started June 1, 2016 **Years working as Indiana Probation Officer:** 9

**Education –Specify: 1) Names & dates of all colleges/universities attended; 2) Degree(s) awarded and date(s) of degree(s).**

Indiana University, Purdue University, Indianapolis. Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice. Awarded May, 2002

**Professional and Community Activities – Identify memberships/organizations you belong to, offices held and awards received:** District 5 Representative for POPAI, President and Vice President of the St. Matthew PFA, Vice President of the St. Matthew School Commission, Secretary of National Honor Society for Criminal Justice Majors.

**Why do you wish to hold this position? What do you hope to accomplish as a POPAI Board Member?**

I want to contribute to the field of probation and affect positive change through my service and career.

**Discuss the issues you view as most important to Probation in Indiana. Evidence Based Practices as it relates to programming, treatment, and management of caseloads-making sure what reduces recidivism and increases public safety is what is done.**

**Attendance at POPAI Board meetings is vitally important to the organization.** Board members are expected to attend the scheduled meetings in person with minimal absences. The Board meets the second Wednesday of each month in Indianapolis, 10:30 AM – 1:30 PM. Possible exceptions:

- April - Board meeting is held at the POPAI Management Institute.
- May – Board meets at PO annual meeting.
- September – on Friday of POPAI Fall training in French Lick, September 9, 2016, after the conference ends. It is important that you stay for this meeting as it would be your first Board meeting upon your election.
- Some POPAI Board meetings may be held via conference call due to weather or light agenda.

**Board members must work on at least one POPAI Committee.** Standing committees: Election; Awards and Recognition; Technology/Website; Education; Legislation; Membership.

**Please discuss your ability to participate on at least one (1) POPAI standing committee and to attend the monthly POPAI board meetings, primarily in-person meetings, in Indianapolis. I have done this before as District 5 Representative and have no problem doing it again, in fact I look forward to it!**

**If you are not the Chief Probation Officer of your department, you must include as an attachment an email or memo from the Chief PO approving your participation in at least one (1) POPAI standing committee and approving your attendance at in-person monthly POPAI Board meetings.**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST IN SERVING PROBATION IN THE STATE OF INDIANA.**

**Postmark, FAX or Email by Friday July 8, 2016 to:**

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