

Tanya L. DeSanto, DDS, FICD

NALDC Application,

March 23, 2020

4a. I have been a member of the AACD for 16 years (since 2004).

4b. I have served on several committees over the years and chaired many of them, as well as two consecutive terms in the Board of Directors.

I have served as chair of the Ambassadors Committee, the New Member Committee, the Marketing Committee, the Smile Story ad-hoc committee, the Corporate Dental Committee and the executive director contract renewal committee.

As far as leadership positions in other organizations, that list is lengthy. I am attaching my CV to this and naming the attachment 4b.

4c. I have taken numerous leadership training courses over the years. The ones I chose to highlight here are my favorites:

Leadership Springfield: this is a 9 month class that meets all day on Fridays once a month. You must be nominated to be a part of this opportunity. Prominent leaders are brought in for all day lectures and training.

AACD Board of Directors June Leadership training is something I have had the privilege of being a part of over the last four years and really learned valuable information about board involvement and growth.

Walter Hailey Dental Boot Camp: one of my favorite week long events by Paramount Dental Management. This is fun, entertaining and very educational. A great event for doctors and staff annually.

4d. I have loved being an active member of the Board of Directors. My term ends in San Diego. I want to give back to this academy who has given me so much. I feel so connected to our members and really feel I have momentum with the ability to help choose the perfect leaders for the continued success of this amazing organization. I feel I have a great ability to learn about people and listen. I can weigh in on the positive things they can offer to help us grow. I want to help choose people that have the same passion and energy that I have for this academy. As Emerson said, "I want to give back and leave it a better place".

4e. After serving two consecutive terms in the Board of Directors, I have gained working knowledge of the governance of the AACD. I feel very qualified to use this knowledge along with skills to successfully evaluate and assess the best possible candidates to take our organization into the future.

4f. Also, it is important to add that I am a general member. Our academy is comprised of 95% general members yet there are few if any on the NALDC. I want to be the voice of the general members. This is very important to me and to our academy.

4g. no convictions, felonies or investigations here ☺

THANK YOU!!!

Tanya L. DeSanto, D.D.S., F.I.C.D.

Professional and Community Involvement

Athena award recipient, 2019, Athena International

Sponsored by Illinois Women in Leadership, IWIL

American Academy of Cosmetic Dentistry 2004 to present

Sustaining Member, 2007- present

National Board of Directors 2015-2017 and 2017-2019

Community Health Initiative

Board of Directors, 2000 to present (twenty years so far)

## G.V. Black District Dental Society

ByLaws Committee 2002-2003

Continuing Education Committee 2002-2003

Executive Council 2002-2003, 04, 05, 06, 07

President Elect 2006-2007

President 2007-2008

Peer Review Chair 2013-present

## HealthFirst Community Clinic

Board of Directors 1995-present

President, 2000-2001, 2001-2002, 2002-2003

## International College of Dentists

Fellow 2014

## Matheny Dental Clinic

Volunteer Dentist 1996-1997, 1997-1998

Volunteer Dental Director 1998-1999

Junior League of Springfield 2001 - present

Kitchen Tour Committee 2002-2003

Cookbook Treasurer 2003 - 2004

Finance Council 2003-2004

Assistant Cookbook Chair 2003 - 2004

ABCD (above and beyond call of duty) award, 2004

Cookbook Chair 2004-2005

Vice President, Fundraising, 2005-2006

Education and Training Chair 2006-07 and again in 2007-08

Sustaining Member 2010 - present

Illinois State Medical Society Alliance

Sangamon County 1994 - present

Member Needs Chair 2003 - 2004

Hospitality Co-Chair 2004-2005

Vice President 2005-2006

President Elect 2006-2007

President 2007- 2008

Illinois Times Best Dentist 2015

Illinois Times Best Dentist 2016

Illinois Times Best Dentist 2017

Illinois Times Best Dentist 2018

Illinois Times Best Dentist 2019

International Assist Medical Missions (IAMM)

Gonaïve Haiti, Missionary Dentist, 2013 - present

Developed the first dental clinic in Gonaïves, Haiti

Susan G. Komen 60 mile Race for the Cure

Chairman, Pretty in Pink 2005, 06, 07, 09, 10, 11, 12, 13

Chicago, IL

Springfield Art Association

Fine Arts Fair Committee, Recording Secretary, 2005

Springfield Business Journal

2005 Class, Forty under 40

2009 Office was nominated "15 under 15" Award

2015 Office was again nominated "15 under 15" Award

Springfield Chamber of Commerce

2006 Leadership Springfield Nominee from The Junior League

State Journal Register Citizen of the Year Nominee, 2009

Westminster Presbyterian Church

Board of Deacons, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007

Head Sunday School Teacher, Kindergarten class 2006-2007

Pastoral Care Committee, 2003, 2004

Pastoral Care Committee, Chair, 2005, 2006, 2007

Church Health Fair, Lead Dentist, 2016, 2017, 2018