

GA Area Delegate's Report
To the September, 2022 Assembly



The 2023 International Convention will be held on
June 29 – July 2, 2023

Albuquerque Convention Center in Albuquerque, NM
Registration will open **November 1, 2022**.

Greetings, I hope everyone is enjoying these sunny days of summer.

2023 International Convention Is Coming!

As you can see from this inspiring Convention logo, WSO is moving forward and getting us excited and ready to register. My hope is that GA Al-Anon will show-up strong! If you haven't attended an International Convention before, you're in for an experience of your Al-Anon lifetime. Meeting and interacting with members and friends of Al-Anon is just one of the highlights; there will also be workshops, speakers and special events that will add to the experience. Then! there's Albuquerque one of my favorite U.S. cities. Registration opens **November 1, 2022** but you can keep up with all the updates via the WSO Convention page and "In the Loop." Here's the link:

https://al-anon.org/wso-events/2023-al-anon-international-convention/?utm_source=AllPrint&utm_medium=print&utm_campaign=international

WSO Volunteers Needed! – Deadline Approaching!

Are you *or do you know someone* who has been an active member of Al-Anon Family Groups for at least ten years, has served above the group level, has a passion for the Al-Anon program, and meets the other requirements found at (<https://al-anon.org/for-members/board-of-trustees/wso-volunteers/>)? Are you available to commit an average of seven hours a week to Board service, which typically increases to 11 hours the week before the Board meeting, and travel an average of 12-20 days a year to the quarterly meetings? If so, perhaps this letter can serve as a nudge from your Higher Power to apply or encourage someone else to do the same. Résumés for WSO level Volunteer positions can be found through the same link to al-anon.org.

Opportunities to Serve as Trustee of the Board

Each year, three Trustee at Large and three Regional Trustee positions become available through rotation of leadership. In 2023, the Board will also seek to fill Trustee at Large and Regional Trustee positions which are currently vacant or may have been filled by a one-year appointment. Qualifications for members applying for Trustees at Large and Regional Trustee positions are the same.

In 2022, the Board will be seeking applicants from the following Regions who could begin serving after the April 2023 World Service Conference.

- **US South Central – three-year term**
- **US Northwest – three-year term**
- **US Southwest – three- year term**
- **US Northeast – remaining two-year term**
- **US Southeast – remaining two-year term**

Delegates are asked to note that **Regional Trustee applicants must be approved by the Area process:**

- Delegates will receive any applicants' résumés by email from the WSO once the applicants have completed their submissions.
- **Delegates are responsible for facilitating Area approval and then submitting the résumé online following the instructions in the WSO acknowledgement email by August 15, 2022.**

The complete list of all Regions with their usual year of rotation are listed on al-anon.org. Each Area within a Region is invited to submit one candidate for Regional Trustee.

The key date for you to know and communicate is that **the deadline for submission of Trustee applicants' résumés—which is accomplished now using the online form—is August 15, 2022.** Applicants whose résumés are received by this date will receive an additional question to answer on August 17, 2022. If you or a potential candidate is curious about the selection process for Trustees, please follow the link above to read or watch the timeline video.

Opportunities to Serve on the Executive Committee for Real Property Management (ECRPM)

Serving on the three-member ECRPM also requires a three-year commitment, although the time obligation is significantly less. ECRPM meets twice a year for one day at the WSO in Virginia Beach. One new Committee member is elected each year. Applicants need to be willing to serve as the ECRPM Chair if selected by the Board of Trustees which means attending Conference with voice on matters related to the ECRPM. Qualifications and details about the nominating process for ECRPM are available at (<https://al-anon.org/for-members/board-of-trustees/wso-volunteers/executive-committee-for-real-property-management/>). For simplicity, **the deadline for ECRPM résumés to be submitted is also August 15, 2022.**

Opportunities to Serve as an At-Large Executive Committee Member

At-Large members of the Executive Committee commit to serve for one-year terms up to a maximum of three years. The Executive Committee meets monthly except in April, typically the third week of the month. Executive Committee members also attend the Finance Committee meetings briefly during the monthly review of financial statements. Although subject to change, currently the Executive Committee is scheduled to attend four Committee meetings onsite in Virginia Beach, one Committee meeting onsite in the Road Trip! location, and the World Service Conference. Other meetings are currently planned to be held by web conference. Qualifications and details about the nominating process for the Executive Committee are available at (<https://al-anon.org/for-members/board-of-trustees/wso-volunteers/executive-committee/>). **The deadline for Executive Committee résumés to be submitted is January 1, 2023.**

Delegate District Listening Tour

As mentioned in an earlier report, as Delegate I serve as the “primary communication link between the groups and the WSO”(p. 75 2022-25 SM). In order to fulfill this responsibility, I would like to attend District meetings either online or in person when possible. I will be in contact with DR’s soon to discuss best times to attend District meetings to listen to your ESH, needs and how I can best support you. In the meantime, feel free to contact me if you have questions, ideas or just to share.

In Grateful Service,

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