



Personal Statement – Secretary

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I am excited to apply for the role of PHiT Council Secretary. As a participant in the inaugural AAPM&R Resident Retreat this year in Chicago, I loved getting to know my fellow residents and view this position as a means of increasing my involvement with the Academy while also expanding my network of co-physiatrists. I hope that my background in law and leading outreach organizations suits me well for the role of Secretary.

Throughout medical school and law school, I have taken leadership positions that required thorough efficiency. I served as the Chair of the Native American Law Student Society at Yale Law School, where I lobbied the University to step up outreach programming to prospective American Indian law students and faculty members, resulting in an increase in American Indian enrollment at the school and the hiring of the first full-time American Indian faculty member. I also organized school-wide speaking engagements in New Haven with prominent speakers from across Indian Country, including tribal justices from California tribes and the Attorney General of the Cherokee Nation. In medical school, I coordinated and scheduled the Explore Durham portions of Duke University School of Medicine's Second Look Weekend and operated the University's free, volunteer-run rural health clinic in Fremont, NC. From an editorial standpoint, I served as Lead Editor of the Yale Law & Policy Review and encouraged potential authors to submit articles for publication into the Yale Journal of Health Law & Policy. I hope that these organizational skills and strict attention to detail with an eye on effective, efficient leadership prepare me well for the tasks required of the PHiT Secretary.