2023 NACOLE Candidate Questionnaire

Name * Anthony W. Finnell
Position Sought *
 President (2-year term) Vice-President (2-year term) Board Member-At-Large (3-year term)
Geographic Location * Indianapolis, IN
Current Employment * Consultant
How long have you been involved with NACOLE and how did you initially become involved? * Since 2014 Thecame involved when Thecame the Executive Director of the Citizens' Police Review Board

(CPRB) in Oakland, CA.

Which NACOLE Committees have you served on? Have you had other involvement in NACOLE * as a volunteer?

I have served on the Elections and Bylaws Committee, Strategic Planning Committee and the Internal Operations Committee.

Please share highlights of your background/experience in law enforcement oversight or jail and prison oversight.

I worked at the Independent Police Review Authority (IPRA) in Chicago, as a Supervising Investigator. I left IPRA and moved to Oakland, CA to serve as the Executive Director for the CPRB, as well as the Interim Executive Director of the Community Police Review Agency (CPRA). I have worked in the Office of Inspector General for Public Safety in Seattle, WA. Now I work as a consultant for police practices, oversight and discipline for different entities throughout the United States.

Why do you want to serve on the NACOLE Board? What makes NACOLE's mission important to * you?

I currently serve as the Vice President on the NACOLE Board. I have been a Board member since 2016 and I feel it is an honor to serve as a Board member. The mission of NACOLE is very important to me as I believe oversight of law enforcement, as well as other components of criminal justice, are necessary for holding such agencies accountable, transparent, and responsible to the public.

What skills/qualities do you have that you expect to contribute to the organization as a member of the NACOLE Board?

I have proven leadership capabilities, I am fiscally responsible, and a strong advocate for the policies and procedures that help to shape accountability and transparency within oversight of law enforcement. I also have a vision for helping NACOLE move forward by creating the organizational structure within that will allow the organization to provide the training, technical support and advocacy for oversight efforts on a national level.

What goals do you have for your service on the NACOLE Board, and what would you most like to accomplish as a member of the Board?

My primary goal would be to continue to develop other streams of revenue, besides our annual conference, to provide financial support for our staff, opportunities to strengthen our membership and to further the NACOLE mission of civilian oversight of law enforcement.

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