Rekha Sharma-Crawford

For Director AILA Board of Governors

Fellow AILA Colleagues,

Last year we beat the odds. Who would have ever thought that together we could have gone as far as we did? We did it because you believed that no matter how small the firm, how small the Chapter, every voice needed to be



heard. Our collective voices were loud enough to beat the odds. So, now, I ask you to join me again. Let's do this and finish what we started last year.

Times have changed. The world has changed. As AILA attorneys we have seen the attacks on immigrants, the attacks on due process and even, the attacks on immigration attorneys. We have learned that the only way to hold the line is to fight back using every skill and tool in our arsenal. Whether we litigate, mitigate, or agitate the system, we know that together they can not stop us. That is what this last election has shown us.

I have spent my career fighting for the underdog and standing up for what is right. Each time I was asked to give a little more, I did not back away from the challenge. My record speaks for itself. Whether I am analyzing a matter or mentoring a colleague, heading a project, or leading a lawsuit, whenever my AILA family has called, I have answered.

I am asking you for your vote in this election because the journey we started last year remains unfinished. As I have learned more about the workings of the AILA BOG, I have come to realize that there is always a little more that can be done for our membership. There is always a little more we can do to lift each other up, make each other stronger and help each other reach our full potential. It is because of this realization that I am running again this year. There are still things left for us to do. So, let's do this! Together. Thank you!

Vote for Rekha