

Greetings Fellow Group Supervisors and Deputy Probation Officers:

My name is Sharla Oakley and I'm running for the Director 4 position. For the past five years, I have worked in San Mateo County as a GS II, GS III and currently as a DPO II. In 2015, while working as a GS and again in 2018, while working as a DPO, I was selected as "Recruit of the Year" by fellow staff and management.

I understand many of challenges that each position entails and the possibilities that each of these positions hold. I am a firm believer that good staff are cultivated when there is: effective leadership, accountability, trust, respect, clear expectations, open communication, positive relationships, and opportunities for growth, just to name a few.

I believe board members should reflect the individuals they represent and have a keen understanding of what works and doesn't. Representing others, especially in case sensitive matters, takes individuals who can be trusted and maintain confidentiality at all times.

I am that candidate.

In Unity,

Sharla Oakley