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Subject: RE: Election

I'd like to run for 1 year. My statement is below:

Dear Members of SABA:

Statement of Interest: Bindu Cudjoe

I am running to be a member of the board of directors of SABA for 1 year. I have been a member of SABA for over 6 years and a director for the last two years. Last year, I chaired the governance committee and lead the revamp of the by-laws of SABA.

I believe in the mission of SABA to bring together members of the South Asian bar to learn together (through professional development and panels, a number of which I have spoken on) and from each other (through mentoring, social and networking events). I also am appreciative of the collaborative activities that SABA has undertaken with other diverse bar associations (like CABL, FACL and RODA) and SABA's founding role as part of the Diverse Champions for Diversity grassroots network. I hope to continue to be involved in promoting and advancing such initiatives.

Professionally, I am Vice President, Deputy General Counsel - T&O Legal and Chief Knowledge Officer of the legal, compliance and security groups at BMO Financial Group (BMO) where I am accountable for managing legal and regulatory risk relating to technology, procurement, outsourcing, intellectual property and enterprise brand, marketing and social media and I oversee knowledge management on behalf of BMO's general counsel, including board and senior management reporting, project management, records and information management, centralized litigation support (e-discovery and legal holds), internal knowledge-sharing systems, and internal professional development programs.

Prior to joining BMO in 2012, I was a partner in McMillan LLP's Financial Services group and am an adjunct professor at Osgoode Hall law school at York University. In addition to serving on the board of SABA, I have been a member and director of the Federation of Asian Canadian lawyers, am an executive member of Women General Counsel Canada and am director and secretary of the Oakville Community Foundation. I was recognized in 2016 as one of the 25 most influential lawyers in Canada by Canadian Lawyer Magazine and was a 2014 recipient of the Lexpert Magazine Rising Star award and the South Asian Bar Association of Toronto's 2014 Legal Excellence Award.

I have been honoured to serve on the board for the last two years and hope to gain your support to be re-elected for a 1 year term. Thank you for your consideration.

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