

**Marquette University Alumni Association
Vice President/President Elect Self-nomination
January 2014**

Catherine LaFleur (Law '88)

List the MUAA committees on which you have served and note any you have chaired:

Governance, Executive, Alumni Involvement, National Reputation, Alumni Donor Participation, and Strategic Planning

List any other Marquette Alumni Chapters or efforts which you have served and any leadership position associated with that service:

I was on the Marquette University Law School Alumni Board for 7 years and was the board president during that tenure, which included the transition of a new dean to the law school.

List any non-Marquette volunteer activities in which you have been involved:

I have been on the board of Journey House, a local nonprofit, since 1997. I was on Judicial Council for 6 years, and the State Bar Litigation Board for 7 years, during which I was chairperson. I was parish council chair at St. Robert's in Shorewood, WI for 2 years.

I am currently assisting in developing the Grady De La Cruz memorial scholarship for a 2011 MUHS graduate who drowned this past summer – working with my son and his friends.

I am a volunteer arbitrator for the Wisconsin and Milwaukee Bar Associations. I provide volunteer legal assistance for Legal Action of WI – Volunteer Lawyer's project since 1988.

I coached soccer -- up to 4 teams at once -- for six years, coached tee ball for four years, and taught Sunday school for 5 years.

I write profile articles for the Association of Women Lawyer's publication.

Describe any unique qualities and/or training that will help you be an effective leader of the board:

Having chaired the Litigation Board for the State Bar of Wisconsin, the Marquette Law School Alumni Board, and the St. Robert parish council, I think that I have an ability to run meetings efficiently and make sure that everyone's voices are heard. I promote healthy dialogue and practical problem solving.

State your vision for MUAA and what you hope to accomplish as president of MUAA:

I think it is already a phenomenal organization. I understand that the next few years are going to involve significant change with a new university president, and that while we continue with our strategic plan, we will need to be mindful of any necessary tweaks that emanate from the new president's strategy. Also, with an aging boomer population, I would like to focus on more ways to involve elder alumni, and particularly from a spiritual perspective.