

# Board of Governors

## Candidate Statement

for Region Number 1

Candidate's Name

Kyra K. Rohner

Law Firm Name (If Applicable)

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Law School from which graduated

Willamette University College of Law

Date Admitted to OSB

February 17, 2009



List of candidate's professional and community activities, professional history and reason for running for this position.

I am a solo practitioner in rural Oregon, raising two young children and volunteering locally while working diligently to represent my clients. I am also currently serving on the Board of Governors. I was appointed by the board on September 30, 2019 to fill the vacancy in Region 1. I bring a unique perspective to the board based on my experience, location, practice area, and firm size. I am running for the position in Region 1 to continue my efforts to advocate for and support lawyers and communities throughout the state.

By way of background, I grew up in Baker County where I have now been practicing law since 2009. Prior to returning home, I practiced in Clark County, Washington where I worked for criminal defense lawyer Steven W. Thayer, P.S. for three years. During law school I took advantage of a variety of work experiences including a Rule 9 internship at the Clark County Prosecuting Attorney's Office, research for the Oregon Law Commission, and a summer position with Juvenile Rights Project.

In 2009, I worked as an associate attorney for Coughlin, Leuenberger & Moon, P.C., a general practice law firm in Baker City, Oregon. I developed a family law practice and continued handling criminal defense cases. The firm was appointed to conflict indigent defense cases from various counties in Eastern Oregon. I opened my own law office in 2011 as a solo attorney. After maintaining a general law practice for years, I moved into indigent defense work as my primary focus. Since 2016, I have been providing contract indigent defense services in Baker County.

My work in indigent defense has been inspiring. This is where my ambition to serve on the Board of Governors developed and my time serving on the board has only strengthened my resolve. I am motivated to increase quality legal services and access to justice in our communities at a time when it is desperately needed.

Candidate's Signature

5/12/20  
Date