

## Candidate Statements for Sub-Local 459, Public Employees Retirement System (PERS)

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**Judy Dong**

I am glad to have this an opportunity to apply Treasurer's position. It is my pleasure to serve my own union.

**Mary Lang**

I am running for re-election for the position of Chief Steward for PERS Local 459. Union Stewards are the backbone of our union. Union representation is one of the most import functions our union provides to its members. Whether a union member is facing disciplinary action or needs to assert his or her rights under the union contract, I want to be there to provide support, information and advocacy. I served as a union steward for over ten years at DHS before becoming employed at PERS in 2010. I have been a strong advocate for the rights of union members and have tried to seek optimal solutions to workplace challenges. As a law school graduate, I have been able to apply legal skills in helping union members by researching areas of state and federal law, including the Family Medical Leave Act and the Americans with Disabilities Act. I would be honored to have your vote as Chief Steward.

**Susan Mundell**



I have enjoyed several General Councils for our Local and it is very rewarding to help set the direction for our Union and to work with the dedicated people that care about SEIU Local 503. I would be honored to again represent PERS in General Council 2020 and ensure our agency has a voice.

**Margaret Murphy**



I accept the nomination for Secretary

**Liz Saufley**

Please consider me for one of the open positions for Executive-at-Large. Prior to this position, I served as secretary for the PERS local union for four years. Within the six months to a year, I have assisted our local union by doing the following: 1. Write to new employees and existing employees at PERS to encourage them to become a member of our union; 2. Follow-up with new employees after New Employee Orientation to encourage them to apply to our union, answer any membership questions, and general questions about state employment; and 3. Provide ideas and feedback to strengthen our union in a remote work environment. I would be honored to serve and continue to voice the concerns of our workforce and grow our union membership! I appreciate your vote! Liz Saufley