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THE VISION

*The Vice Presidents are the Trustees from this House.
We are your Trustees.*

01 AN UNBROKEN CHAIN

Five hundred forty-five components. Fifty-three constituents. Seventeen districts. One ADA — built from the bottom up. My job is to keep that chain unbroken in both directions: the 545 heard at the 1, and the work of the 1 heard all the way back down.

| *The Second Vice President's seat is not ceremonial. It is the most direct link between this House and the Board table.*

02 TELL OUR OWN STORY

This Association does extraordinary work — for members, for patients, for non-members, and for the public. But there is more noise about what the ADA doesn't do than about what it does, and others are filling that vacuum with inaccurate narratives. If we want to be the voice of dentistry, we first have to be the voice of our ADA.

| *A benefit no one knows about is not a benefit. It is a secret.*

03 STEWARDSHIP, NOT POLITICS

I lead by radical transparency: speak your mind, no matter the consequences. It gets me in trouble sometimes, and it is also how I keep learning. I want your opinion — more so when we disagree. On the Audit Committee I have seen from the inside what is working and what isn't; on the ERISA Subcommittee we took on the insurance practices that squeeze every dentist in the room.

| *This Association is well run. Perfectly? No. But well run — and we are fighting the right fights.*

04 A PROFESSION WORTH INHERITING

The early career dentists deciding whether we are worth their dues are deciding the ADA's next fifty years. They deserve an Association whose value is visible, whose message reaches legislators and patients, and whose door is genuinely open.

| *I want the next generation to inherit a profession that is strong — and an ADA they understand, value, and want to belong to.*

So hold me to this: I will not let this Association's best work go unheard.

THE EXPERIENCE BEHIND IT

Speaker, CSDA House of Delegates · Past President, Connecticut State Dental Association · ADA Audit Committee and ERISA Subcommittee · Chair, Reference Committee A (2025) · Chair, AAOMS Committee on Professional and Public Communications · Associate Program Director, Yale-New Haven Hospital OMS Residency

I ask for your vote on Monday, October 12, 2026.

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