

**Statement of Austin Ownbey
Candidate for Steering Committee
D.C. Affairs Community**

Dear D.C. Bar Members,

I ask for your support to re-elect me to the Steering Committee of the District of Columbia Affairs Community.

I have lived in Washington, DC on and off since 2001. Over this time, I have watched DC change significantly, but one thing that has remained the same is that residents of DC continue to be denied their civil rights and DC Statehood. If re-elected, I will draw upon my previous DC Bar volunteer service as a steering committee member of both the District of Columbia Affairs Community and the Antitrust and Consumer Law Community. In particular, I will seek every opportunity to advocate for Statehood. I will also continue to pursue opportunities for programming co-sponsored with other communities and generating other useful content for our community's members.

Thank you very much for your support and your vote.