

Dear All,

Your candidates for the Fall 2021 SBA election are below:

- 1L Representative, Section 1 (1):
  - Adam Revello
  - Wesley Johnson
  - Zachary Brusewitz
- 1L Representative, Section 2 (1):
  - Lauryn Workman
- 1L Representative, Section 3 (1):
  - VACANT
- 1L Representative, Section 4 (1):
  - Carly Martin
- 1L Representative, Section 5 (1):
  - Alejandra C. Ruttimann
- Transfer Representative (1):
  - VACANT
- LLM Representative (1):
  - Michael Benison

Candidate statements and photos are attached. Campaigning begins today, Wednesday, October 6, and continues through Tuesday, October 12. Voting will open on Wednesday, October 13, at 9:00 AM, and it will close on Thursday, October 14, at 5:00 PM.

Thank you!  
NYU Law SBA

## 1L Representative, Section 1 Candidate

### Adam Revello



Hello, Section 1 friends! My name is Adam Revello and I'm seeking your vote to become our section's 1L Representative.

#### 😊 A little bit about me:

I'm from Los Angeles, majored in Political Science, and spent the last few years living and working in Indonesia on urban planning and policy. I like to run, binge watch TV (currently Ted Lasso and Squid Game) and breathe a sigh of relief when Civ Pro ends and I haven't been cold called.

#### 🏃 Why I'm running to represent our section:

Law school is hard. Harder than I ever thought it would be. But meeting every one of you—learning about your backgrounds and what brought you here—gives me the energy I need to read eight tort cases after 11 pm. Joking aside—I truly believe that our sense of community is our most valuable resource. I'm running to be a 1L Rep. because I want to help foster our community, represent your voices, and advocate on your behalf to our administration.

#### ✅ What I will do as your Rep:

As a 1L Representative I will work to:


**Build community.** I will help foster a sense of community among our section and class by organizing in-person, COVID-safe, social events.

**Amplify your voices to the administration.** I will hold a weekly 'community hour' and maintain an anonymous suggestions box to learn about your needs, concerns, and ideas, and communicate them to the SBA and NYU Law administration.

**Strengthen mental health support.** I want to help ensure that resources and support services are widely publicized and accessible. As a side note, if you're ever having a tough time, you're not alone. Regardless of who you vote for, please feel free to drop me a line if you ever just want someone to talk to.

**Improve the 1L orientation.** As a first-generation-professional student, I found orientation to be an overwhelming alphabet soup of terms I'd never heard of before (outlining, EIW, doctrinal classes, etc.) I'd like to create a resource guide that would provide some of the basics to demystify and de-stress orientation for folks who don't already know how the law school game is played.

**Listen, and be accountable to you.** As a white-passing, cisgendered, male, I know that my experience in life and law school is not the same as many of you. I will do everything in my power to be conscious of my own privilege, and respect folks whose backgrounds differ from my own.

 **I would be sincerely grateful if you would vote for me to be your 1L Rep!**

Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions, or just want to chat! 818-489-9591

- Adam

## 1L Representative, Section 1 Candidate

### **Wes Johnson**



What's up my fellow Section 1ers!

My name is Wes and I'm running to be your SBA rep for Section 1.

I'm running because I have been really disappointed in the ~effort~ that NYU has put forth so far to help us get to know our section mates (and the class of 2024 more generally). Law school is certainly a tough transition for a lot of us and the ability to connect and commiserate with our classmates is a crucial part of what makes that transition a little bit easier.

As your representative, here are a couple of things I would want to make a reality:

- 1) **BRING BACK BAR REVIEW** – look how many students are already showing up even when NYU isn't covering the drinks! At the very least, the school should put in more effort to find ways to replicate this in a COVID safe setting (*e.g.*, only hosting this at bars that include outdoor patio space).
- 2) **MORE FUNDED EVENTS FOR OUR SECTION** – coming from Utah, I know that not everybody is interested in events that are centered around drinking. I would push for fun events for our section that allow us to get to know one another better in fun casual settings (as much as I do love bonding with everyone over Issacharoff's ridiculous questions in CivPro).
- 3) **MORE FUNDED EVENTS ACROSS SECTIONS** – I am still meeting people in our class that I have literally never seen before – I'd rather not go into 2L having to meet 4/5 of our class.

Obviously, the social aspect is only a drop in the bucket for things that can make 1L hard. I would also love to hear any ideas on other topics (*e.g.*, how to lessen the challenges of remote learning,

the availability of mental health resources, how uncomfortable the chairs in class are). If you have anything particular that you think needs to be addressed, I'm always open to listen. I truthfully have no idea how much sway a 1L rep holds with the administration, but I would love to serve as an advocate for everyone in our class.

Feel free to text or email me if you have anything you want to chat about!

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## **1L Representative, Section 1 Candidate**

### **Zachary Brusewitz**



Hi y'all, my name is Zachary Brusewitz, and I am running to be the Section 1 1L representative. In undertaking this role my focus would be on fostering the camaraderie that makes up the quintessential NYU Law experience. Moving across the country, from Texas to NYC, I was eager to find a community I could belong to, and that was made easy by you guys. I think it is incredibly important that we continue the friendships we established during our first day of orientation, while also focusing on the issues that we face during law school. I think it is safe to say that law school may not be the easiest endeavor we have undertaken, and we should not be burdened by thinking about things such as how we can access mental health resources or using research systems that can play a role in hurting our fellow classmates' families. I would make sure that if I am elected, I would be available to the fullest extent possible, doing my best to listen to your concerns, and help alleviate them in any capacity I have. I recognize that our section is made up of almost 100 individuals who have all come from different backgrounds and have experienced society in markedly different ways. It is incredibly important to me that no one's story goes unheard, and that we are each given the opportunity to make our mark on the law school.

Some explicit things I want to focus on are planning in-person events for our section to help foster friendships outside the classroom, hosting times to meet with me to talk about anything you like, and setting up groups inside our section for people with similar interests (such as fields of laws or hobbies) to have an opportunity to bond.

I would be honored to be the voice of our section, spreading your messages and concerns to the administration. Thank you for considering me and if you have any questions, you can reach out to me at [zmb2015@nyu.edu](mailto:zmb2015@nyu.edu)!

## **1L Representative, Section 2 Candidate**

### **Lauryn Workman**



My name is Lauryn Workman, and I am a May 2021 graduate of the University of South Carolina. I would love the opportunity to be the SBA 1L Representative (for Section 2) for the 2021-22 school year. I want to work with SBA and 1L reps from other sections to help make this year special and as stress-free as possible. I believe that my experiences, both professional and voluntary, in leadership roles make me an excellent candidate for this role.

I have strong leadership and interpersonal skills, along with excellent organizational skills and priority management. As vice president of the Honors Hall Residence at UofSC, I learned how to manage multiple projects at once from small events promoting mental health to large-scale events collaborating with other halls like the end-of-the-year ball. The next year, I learned the importance of delegation and trusting your team through my role as president of the Maxcy-Thornwell Residence. Additionally, as an ambassador for the Maxcy International House, I gave tours which helped to build my confidence speaking to and interacting with groups of people from various backgrounds. These experiences have given me the tools to be an excellent leader and work well as a representative for my section.

I have grown so much not only as a leader and professional but also as a student activist. I have been elected to serve my fellow students and community members in a variety of positions including President of my university's chapter of College Democrats and senator (and chair of the Inclusion and Equity committee) for the Student Senate. In these roles, I have truly been able to embrace organizing for what's right and pushing for real change in my community. I have fundraised, organized protests, and given speeches all in a push for economic justice, anti-racism, and gender equality. I would love to continue to develop these skills in the role of 1L representative and remain an advocate for underserved and minoritized communities.

I made a vow to myself to not only survive 1L year, but enjoy it. Now, I want to bring that positive outlook to the table and make sure we all look back at 1L year proud of what we have accomplished and happy with the memories we've made.

**1L Representative, Section 3 Candidate(s)**

**VACANT**



## **1L Representative, Section 4 Candidate**

### **Carly Martin**



Hi everyone,

My name is Carly Martin, and I am running for Section 4 1L representative because I want to make sure we all have the best 1L experience possible!

I've enjoyed meeting most of you already but for those of you I haven't had the pleasure to meet yet, here's a little about me: I graduated from Virginia Tech in May of 2019 and have been living in New York City ever since. Before law school I worked as a bank examiner at the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, and I am hoping to work in the financial regulatory sector again after law school. In my free time I enjoy running, scrolling through TikTok, and binge watching reality T.V. shows.

As section rep I would prioritize voicing your interests and any concerns to the faculty and administration. Law school is really tough, and I want to be sure we are all able to take full advantage of the resources and opportunities available to us at NYU. I worked as a mediator for students and faculty members in academic misconduct disputes during undergrad, and I would be happy to represent our section to any of our professor's if an issue comes up. I also want to work with the administration and other section reps to plan social events/activities for our section and events with other sections so we can keep getting to know each other and strengthening our community!

Please feel free to reach out anytime if you have questions, ideas, or just want to say hi! My number is 571-251-9035 and my email is cam9164@nyu.edu ☺

## **1L Representative, Section 5 Candidate**

**Alejandra C. Ruttimann**



To My Fellow Law Students:

I've decided to run for SBA 1L Representative for a number of reasons. Though we are only a month or so into the academic year, I have been greeted with an incredible amount of kindness and support from 1Ls, 2Ls and 3Ls alike throughout the organizations I've joined thus far. In return, I would honestly love nothing more than to pay it forward to the next two incoming classes, and to similarly motivate them to enjoy getting involved at NYU. I want to make sure that every single individual in my cohort feels included and heard throughout their time in law school. Importantly, I want to be a sounding board for people's ideas and a mouthpiece to echo their grievances to the larger Administration. I am sure that every Executive Board member recalls how disorienting and stressful a time that 1L is, but be that as it may, we are also extremely fortunate to be in the classrooms and able to meet each other in person. I am someone who never forgets a name or a face, and I hope that through this role, I will have the opportunity to meet as many of my peers as possible as I demonstrate my commitment to our law school community. It is a constant inspiration to sit amongst so many brilliant and dedicated individuals, peers and faculty included. Ultimately, I look forward to helping plan more in-person events, to strengthening my involvement in student life, and to reminding everyone how lucky we are to be at NYU Law 😊 Hope I can count on your vote!

**Transfer Representative Candidate(s)**

**VACANT**

## **LLM Representative Candidate**

### **Michael Benison**



Hello everyone, my name is Michael Benison, and I am in my second year of the Tax LLM Part Time program. I work and attend LLM classes in the evenings. I received my JD from Fordham University School of Law in 2019. I am applying for the LLM representative position because I want to be your voice to address concerns with the school administration and enhance the overall LLM student experience at NYU. I will make sure that all student concerns are reported to the school's administration for further investigation. I have significant experience working in student government as I was the Fordham Law School's SBA Vice President – Evening Division for two years. I look forward to meeting many of my LLM classmates whether in person or remotely. Vote Michael Benison for LLM representative.