

Ballot statement from Alton Crooks, CFA

I am writing to seek your support as I stand for election to the Board of Directors of our esteemed society. Since 2017, I've been an active volunteer, deeply committed to our society's growth and progress.

My involvement as chairman of the Business Management Group, co-chairing the Diversity and Inclusion Forum, and serving on the Nominating Committee has provided me with a comprehensive understanding of our industry, the society and its governance processes.

I was honored to have received recognition for my commitment, winning the CFANY Volunteer of the Year award in 2021 and the Most Innovative Group Award for the Business Management Group in 2023.

The CFA Society of New York holds a special place in my heart. It is not just an organization to me; it is a community where I have forged invaluable friendships. The friendships I have made within the society are a testament to the bonds formed through shared passions and aspirations. These connections have enriched my experience and deepened my commitment to our collective success.

Moreover, my dedication extends beyond personal connections. As a potential Board Member, I aim to foster an environment where everyone feels the warmth of camaraderie and where these friendships continue to blossom. Encouraging and nurturing these relationships is fundamental to sustaining our society's vibrant and supportive community.

Through these roles and the relationships fostered, I've experienced both the highs and lows of our society. This firsthand insight positions me uniquely to contribute to its future trajectory. My dedication to our mission and community motivates me to seek this opportunity to serve in a greater capacity.

I firmly believe that my active engagement, varied experiences, and genuine love for our society equip me to make substantial contributions to our society's governance. Leveraging my insights and expertise, I am committed to ensuring the continued success of the CFA Society of New York.

Your support would not only be an honor but also a commitment to propelling our society forward together. I am genuinely enthusiastic about the prospect of further contributing to our collective success.

Thank you for considering my candidacy.