

Hello IAEM-USA Region 3!

It's been an honor to serve as your Secretary/Treasurer over the past year, and I'm excited to share why I'd love to continue in this role with your support.

IAEM-USA Region 3 deserves officers who are not only experienced and qualified, but who show up ready to serve when asked, even when it's unexpected. That's the kind of officer I strive to be.

In late 2024, shortly after the IAEM annual conference, I received a phone call asking if I'd be willing to step into the dual role of Secretary/Treasurer for Region 3. While not planned to take on the responsibility of an officer role, I didn't hesitate to say yes, because I believe in our members, the IAEM mission, and the importance of keeping our region strong. Since then, I've been honored to serve in this capacity and am now asking for your vote to continue the work we've started together.

My journey with IAEM began during graduate school at Millersville University, where I served as president of our IAEM student chapter. Since then, I've remained deeply engaged with activities like organizing our 2019 Region 3 Symposium which coincided with Millersville University's campus-wide Preparedness Day. Other activities include attending and presenting at multiple IAEM conferences which have earned me multiple Gold Certificates for poster presentations and presented an opportunity to engage with some of you in-person. In 2025, I was named one of IAEM's "40 Under 40" which is an honor that reflects not just my work, but my long-standing commitment to this profession and our association.

Beyond titles and accolades, I bring to Region 3 a diverse background in meteorology, emergency management and communication. I've served on IAEM's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee, the Weather Caucus, and helped to establish the Emerging Professionals Caucus. Since 2019, I've also worked to build cross-disciplinary connections through my role on the American Meteorological Society Committee on Emergency Management. I approach each of these efforts with intention and a commitment to making a meaningful impact in our field.

This past year, I've kept Region 3's financials and records transparent, accurate, and accessible. While this work is often behind the scenes, I see it as essential to our region's stability, credibility, and success.

If re-elected, my goal is to build on this foundation and ensure that our region continues to operate with financial and administrative transparency, accuracy, and accountability while actively supporting initiatives that keep our members informed, connected, and empowered to lead across their states and communities.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve. I hope to earn your continued support and your vote to continue as your Region 3 Secretary/Treasurer.

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Secretary/Treasurer, IAEM Region 3