



**International Sitting Athlete - Female Representative to the USAV Board of Directors**

**CALL FOR NOMINATIONS / SELF-NOMINATIONS**

**THE FOLLOWING IS FROM THE USA VOLLEYBALL NATIONAL OFFICE**

USA Volleyball is starting the election process and accepting applications for the International Sitting Athlete - Female Board of Directors position. This is a new position on the Board of Directors. The term of this position ends June 30, 2024.

**If you are interested in serving on the USA Volleyball Board of Directors, please send a letter of interest, current resume/CV and a signed Background Screen Consent and Waiver Release form (attached) to Chris Vadala at [chris.vadala@usav.org](mailto:chris.vadala@usav.org). Please respond by no later than December 17, 2020 after reviewing the information below.**

Approximate Timeline:

December 3, 2020	Call for Nominations distributed and posted on USAV website.
December 17, 2020	Nominations close and applications due to Chris Vadala.
December 18, 2020	USAV Nominating Committee completes review/vetting of candidates.
January 4, 2021	Ballot emailed to electorate (International Sitting Athletes)
January 8, 2021	First round of ballots due back via USAV voting software.
	If no candidate receives greater than 50% of votes, then another round of voting will be conducted (repeated until a candidate receives a simple majority of votes). When a candidate receives greater than 50% of votes then USAV informs the candidates, the electorate and USAV Board of election results.

**Board of Director Position**

One International Sitting Athlete - Female Director, with one vote.

**Selection Process**

Selection: Nominees shall be solicited broadly by the Nominating Committee (NC) with self-nomination encouraged. Reasonable effort will be made to identify a minimum of two (2) nominees for each available Board position. The NC will evaluate the nominees against both the General and the Minimum Criteria taking the opportunity to solicit additional information from the nominee or others as useful and determine whether the nomination shall go forward or not. In the event a nominee was judged by

the NC to fail to meet the criteria, the nominee shall have the right to request and receive the rationale. International indoor athletes will elect the Indoor Athlete Directors (1 female and 1 male); international beach athletes will elect the Beach Athlete Directors (1 female and 1 male); the international sitting athletes will elect the Sitting Athlete Directors (1 female and 1 male). The determination of whether an athlete is voting as an “indoor eligible athlete”, “beach eligible athlete” or “sitting eligible athlete” will be established by that athlete’s last qualifying competition.

### **Eligibility Requirement**

Minimum Criteria: In order to be eligible to run and/or vote for Sitting Athlete Directors, athletes must be international sitting athletes as defined below:

***“Within the ten (10) years preceding election (or serving on the electorate), represented the United States in the Olympic Games, Paralympic Games, Pan American Games, Parapan American Games, World Championship recognized by the appropriate International Federation, or a USOPC-recognized Operation Gold event in the sport of sitting volleyball.”***

**General Qualifications:** Each Director shall possess the following general qualifications in addition to meeting the Minimum Criteria for the International Sitting Athlete - Female Director:

1. Be a citizen of the United States; and not be affiliated with any national volleyball federation other than USA Volleyball.
2. Be at least eighteen years of age;
3. Be judged qualified and appropriate for the particular Board position based on but not necessarily limited to:
  - a. Possessing good character; and
  - b. Possessing appropriate communication and interpersonal skills.
4. Be committed to the principles and policies of the Corporation and serving the best interests of the Corporation and the sport regardless of the constituency which (s)elects the Board Member.

In addition, a successful candidate is required to pass a USAV Board of Director background check and be SafeSport Certified. Once elected to the Board the Director will also be required to sign a Conflict of Interest Form as well as a Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA).

Should additional information be required, please contact Rachael Stafford, USAV General Counsel, at [rachael.stafford@usav.org](mailto:rachael.stafford@usav.org) or call 719-228-6800.