Please complete a bio of yourself regarding this position (250 words or less).

Travis Karlin is a seasoned volleyball official, boasting an impressive 33-year career in the field. Currently serving as the Official's Chair of the North Country Region since 2019 (previously 2007-2011) and on the NCR Board of Directors, Travis has been an active official and player since 1990. He holds national certifications from both USAV and PAVO, has been an International Scorer since 2012. He has served on staff at Championship, Workroom, and as a coach/evaluator.

With a wealth of professional experience and a passion for the game, Travis is well-versed in the challenges faced by USA Volleyball. He recognizes the fierce competition from rival organizations vying for talented officials, which undermines the continuity and quality of officiating across the country. If elected as the USAV Officials Representative to the USAV Board of Directors, Travis will serve as the voice of the officials with the board, working with Pati and her staff to champion initiatives to retain and attract officials, fostering an environment that nurtures their professional growth and ensures USA Volleyball remains the preferred organization for officials nationwide.

Travis Karlin brings valuable experience working with diverse boardrooms from his time as a Director at Target, Walmart, and the National Kidney Foundation. His unwavering commitment to volleyball, combined with expertise in navigating organizational complexities, makes him the ideal candidate for the USAV Board of Directors. With extensive grassroots and international involvement, Travis's passion for the game ensures a valuable contribution to the growth and development of volleyball in the US.