

Denise Kimt Candidate for President

My name is Denise Kim Beamer (Class of 2009) and currently work for the Office of the Attorney General, Consumer Protection Division. As an Assistant Attorney General, our office enforces state and federal consumer protection laws to combat unfair and deceptive trade practices. Prior to this, I was a prosecutor for the Miami-Dade State Attorney's Office.

I am running for President of the Barry Alumni Board for two primary reasons. First, I want to change the way other attorneys view Barry alumni graduates. Second, I want to foster and encourage an environment for Barry alumni graduates to connect and network with each other. Often times, I meet other attorneys who have a negative view of Barry alumni graduates and even Barry alumni who have no interest in being involved with the law school. This needs to change and that is why I am running for President of the Alumni Board.

It will be my goal to make the Alumni Association an important resource for graduates to grow professionally by bringing Barry alumni graduates together. To start this process, we will host a monthly happy hour event. This will allow members to network and reconnect and meet new individuals in the community. Additionally, I will encourage law students to attend and meet local graduates practicing in the community. Also, quarterly events and activities will be planned (beach day, golf events, etc.), which will include community service events. Finally, there needs to be more communication between the Alumni Association and its members recognizing the accomplishments of Barry alumni graduates a law students; circulating job opportunities; publishing and encouraging members to get involved in local, **state and national bar activities and events; and any other significant news.** **I believe this is only the beginning, but a great start to bring alumni together and elevate our reputation in the community.**