



## Volunteer Board of Directors Members Sought

The [First District Appellate Project](#) (FDAP), a non-profit law firm based in Oakland, California, is conducting an open search for multiple Board of Director positions to be filled in 2022.

FDAP's mission is to ensure quality representation of individuals who cannot afford counsel in criminal, delinquency, dependency, and mental health appeals in California's First Appellate District and in the California Supreme Court. To carry out this mission, FDAP recruits and trains panel attorneys; matches attorneys to cases based on their experience, skills, and expertise; and provides panel attorneys with direct assistance in their cases. In a small number of cases, the Court also appoints FDAP staff attorneys to provide direct representation to indigent clients.

FDAP board members are actively involved in organizational governance, including oversight of the executive director, financial oversight, and ensuring that organizational programming and administration serve FDAP's mission. Board members attend three regularly-scheduled board meetings annually and other meetings scheduled as necessary, participate in board committees, and review materials prepared for board meetings.

FDAP is committed to diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) in our workplace, our legal work, California's justice system, and the legal profession. As stated in the [FDAP DEI statement](#), we believe in an environment where our clients, staff, volunteers, and board members are valued and recognized, whatever their gender, race, ethnicity, national origin, citizenship status, age, sexual orientation or identity, socio-economic status, education, disability, or religious, spiritual, and secular belief systems. And we seek that diversity in our board candidates.

In addition, we seek a board composed of members with a variety of skills, professional experiences, personal experiences, and expertise. No one skill is required, but the following experiences are a plus:

- Non-Profit Management
- Finance/Budget
- Former Incarceration
- HR/Labor and Employment Experience
- Criminal, juvenile, or appellate law

Candidates in California will be given preference, but being located in California is not a requirement.

Deadline: Applications will be received up until November 15, 2021

Submit résumés or CVs and statements of interest to [boardsearch@fdap.org](mailto:boardsearch@fdap.org)

Additional information can be obtained by contacting the FDAP Executive Director, Jonathan Soglin at 415-495-3119 or [jsoglin@fdap.org](mailto:jsoglin@fdap.org).