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I have worked for BC Assessment in Victoria BC since 2008. I have been a Director with the IAAO BC Chapter since 2019. I have chaired the Communications and Elections Committees, helping maintain website content, coordinating the monthly newsletter, the annual general meeting (AGM), and the annual elections.

I have participated in the activities of the IAAO for some time, attending and presenting at the annual GIS/CAMA Conferences. In 2015, I presented at the Oklahoma City IAAO GIS Conference on the work BCA did with LTSA to promote adoption of the Parcel Map BC program. I also attended the IAAO GIS/CAMA Conference in Jacksonville, FL in 2014.

BCA has incorporated and leveraged GIS solutions such as desktop review and spatial data auditing for many years, and will continue to depend on spatial data and analysis for future quality improvements and modeling.

Part of my leadership experience includes being a regional director on the CUPE 1767 executive for 5 years. Spending time on this executive board I gained experience chairing wellness, communications, and technology committees. Working with this executive allowed me to develop and hone my leadership and communication skills cooperating with members and employer representatives to achieve goals set out by the union.

If re-elected as Director with the IAAO BC Chapter, I hope to participate with the training and education committee to develop GIS content to share with the Chapter, BC Assessment, and potentially with the broader IAAO community.