

Name of committee, project, or caucus applying for a seat on the NEC:

Housing & Homelessness Committee

Contact person for application:

Sarah White, she/her, sarah.wht1@gmail.com

Designated representative:

Emma Stahl, she/her

Can your representative commit to attend three NEC meetings and the convention this coming year?

yes

Is your committee, project, or caucus national in scope?

yes

What is your mission statement and description?

The Housing & Homelessness Committee of the National Lawyers Guild works to advance the principle that housing is a human right. We support grassroots housing justice movements led by tenants and the unhoused to fight for housing for all.

Do you have and regularly update a Guild-issued email list to communicate with members?

yes

Do you use an nlg.org contact email that is shared on the national NLG website and other materials?

yes

Do you hold at least 1-2 meetings per year? These can be conducted by phone or video, held at the national convention, or a separate physical retreat.

yes

Do you hold elections regularly (no less than every 2 years)?

yes

Are all committee members also NLG members current in their dues? Current includes those in the three-month grace period.

yes

What does your committee, project, or caucus want to contribute to the NEC?

There's been a resurgence in organizing amongst tenants and the unhoused for housing justice during the pandemic, and we will likely to continue to see a flood of evictions (and grassroots resistance to eviction) in the near future. It is important that the NLG support housing justice movements, including those taking direct action to prevent evictions and reclaim housing. Our representation on the NEC can help facilitate this support and strengthen the connections between housing justice and the other work of the NLG, like PIC/police abolition, mass defense, and racial justice.

Does your committee, project, or caucus currently sit on the NEC?

yes

If yes, for how long?

2 years

How many members does your committee, project, or caucus have?

approx. 800 on list, 20-30 attend meetings

What is your committee, project, or caucus budget?

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How did your committee, project, or caucus use its budget last year?

n/a

Anything else that's essential for the members to know when they consider voting for you:

In the last year, the Housing & Homelessness Committee has sponsored webinars on radical lawyering in support of housing justice movements, held meetings on topics such as home takeovers and right to counsel for tenants, and started a newsletter. We plan to select co-representatives for an NEC seat in early 2022 and until then will send Emma Stahl and Anthony Prince.