NLG Candidate Statement

Name: Suad Abdel aziz Position: Vice President

Suad received her J.D. from Loyola University New Orleans College of Law. She works to advocate for the rights of increasingly criminalized activists, human rights defenders and community organizers. While in law school, she served as the president of the National Lawyers Guild chapter of her school and provided direct representation of clients as a student practitioner within the Criminal Defense Clinic. She has worked with Palestine Legal to support activists for Palestinian liberation and with the Center for Constitutional Rights and Project South on issues surrounding surveillance, mass incarceration and corporate obligations under international human rights law. She devoted much of her time in law school to provide volunteer support for political prisoners unjustly targeted in the ongoing and nebulous "war on terror" as a legal researcher for the Coalition for Civil Freedoms. Suad recently wrapped up a fellowship that was supported by the NLG, which led to her current position working as the First Amendment fellow with the Southern Center for Human Rights leading coordination of Stop Cop City movement defense.