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Naheed AHMED, Candidate for Chair of Standing Committee on Legislation
BPW International

Last name and first name	AHMED, Naheed
Member of	BPW Pakistan
Nominated by	Nasreen Mahdi
Consent of own Affiliate	Nominated by her own Affiliate
BPW Offices held	<p>Local Club: From 2001 to 2020 Legal Advisor 2001 to 2020</p> <p>Federation: BPW Pakistan From 2001 to 2020 Member of Executive 2008 to 2012 From 2014 to 2018 Vice-President Coordination From 2019 to 2020 Senior Vice President to date</p>
Positions in other Voluntary Organizations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ International Director: Alliance Clubs International – 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 ➤ International Advisor: Alliance Clubs International 2015 – 2016 ➤ President Soroptomist International Karachi 2005 – 2007, 2010 – 2011 ➤ Honorary Chairperson NGO Management Committee Karachi (Women’s Crisis Centre) 2007 – 2008, 2010 – 2012. Government of Pakistan ➤ Lioness District President 305 – South 1991 – 92 ➤ Lion District Governor 305 – S-2-1997 – 1998 ➤ Took Oath at Philadelphia USA ➤ Multiple Council Chairperson MD 305 Pakistan 2000 – 2001 ➤ District Coordinator Sight First Lions Campaign 2005 – 2008 ➤ Chairperson Constitution and Bye Laws Lions MD 305 Pakistan 2005 – 2007, 2019 – 2020 ➤ Chairperson Women’s Development Lions MD 305 Pakistan 2008 – 2009, 2010 – 2011, 2013, 2014, 2016 0 2017 ➤ Life Member: Red Cross 1980 onwards ➤ Life Member: APWA (All Pakistan Women’s Association) 1981 onwards ➤ 40 years in Lionism ➤ Chairperson Lions Permanent Projects





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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ <u>Binte Fatima Old Age Home for Women Karachi:</u> Visit regularly with a group of lady lions provide fresh fruit/magazines for the inmates and spend some time with them. ➤ <u>Chairperson Lions Permanent Projects – Zanobia Thelesimia Centre Hyderabad Sindh:</u> Twice yearly visit with a group of lady lions, provide Rs.150,000 (one hundred and fifty thousand) for blood along with 60 to 70 gift packets for the patients mostly women and children. ➤ MJF Coordinator Lions Clubs International District 305-S Pakistan collected US\$ 17,000 for Sight First Projects 2018, 2019, 2020
<p>Related Experience / Qualifications (e.g. CV, resume)</p>	<p>MA Economics, LLB Practising law since 1980, in the High Courts, dealing with Constitutional Petitions, Civil Suits, family, labour and service matters.</p> <p>Working for 22 Federal Government Departments as Panel Lawyer/Legal Advisor</p> <p>Chairperson Women Crisis Center, Government of Pakistan, working for women in distress, their legal problems/court cases with police help, free of cost</p> <p>Legal Advisor – BPW 2001 to 2020 Member Executive Committee BPW 2008 to 2012 Vice President Coordination, BPW 2014 – 2016 & 2016 – 2018</p> <p>Two new branches of PFBPWO were chartered. They were BPW Gulraiz Rawalpindi and BPW Margalla, Islamabad. Also reactivated BPW Peshawar Branch which was dormant after the death of the President.</p> <p>Now working for two new branches of BPW in Muzafarabad (Azad Kashmir) and FATA (Federal Administered Tribal Area). Hopefully before the BPW International Congress this year.</p> <p>All legal/constitutional issues and coordination with the BPW branches are handed by me, under the guidance and supervision of our Federation President Ms Nasreen Mahdi.</p> <p>Award recipient at Lions International Convention at Denver, USA 2003</p> <p>4th position for including 1236 new members in Lionism by an individual among 210 countries of the world.</p> <p>5th position for sponsoring 51 new clubs in the Lions Club District 305 by an individual among 210 countries of the world</p>





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	<p>Lions First Sight Campaign 2005 – 2008</p> <p>As District Coordinator 305-S-2, held 1st position in MD-305 for generating US\$ 57,650.40</p> <p>Recipient of BPW Award 2008 – 2009</p> <p>For including high number of members in BPW</p> <p>Writer of innumerable articles published on child labour, child marriage, (resolutions sent to the provincial assemblies pass special laws pertaining to child marriage by BPW Pakistan), Muslim Family Laws pertaining to Khula, Divorce, Service Laws pertaining to Discrimination of Gender, Rights of Home based workers and No Gender Discrimination in Service.</p>
<p>Statement by Candidate (Maximum 500 words)</p>	<p>I am filing my nomination for the position of Chair Legislation Committee, which is a bit challenge for me, keeping in view my 40 years of service as a High Court Lawyer and other social service as record of PFBPWO, Lions Club International, Alliance Club International, Red Crescent APWA, Women Crises Centre (Government Pakistan) collaborating with other NGO’s , Women’s Chambers of Commerce, Government/Semi Government Department with the aim to resolve women’s issues through Legislation, if elected, my intended goals are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Select countries where BPW is non-existent, dormant, motivate working women, and establish contact with other NGO’s Government, Semi-Government, Women Employees, Women Parliamentarians, to create awareness of BPW International’s work for the rights of women ➤ To divide countries where BPW International exists into manageable groups, hold seminars, mini area conferences to exchange views, with emphasis on BPW International’s work ➤ Maximum number of rural/urban working women to be motivated to join BPW with quality leaders to play an effective role in the community, encourage women to protect their rights and stress on Women’s empowerment, Seminar with important themes to be held with the aid of encouraging women to sustain themselves economically, women’s empowerment will be at the top of the agenda to fight for legal rights ➤ Media coordination/awareness programs/leadership Seminars/Sharing vision and engaging our youth to overcome their limitations and have knowledge of their rights ➤ Regional public relations activities of branches to be monitored and recognized at the International Congress. <p>My service as a lawyer/social worker for the last 40 years is self-explanatory, if given a chance to work as Chairperson Legislation.</p>





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	<p>I would leave no stone unturned in broadening the image of BPW International by holding Seminars, Talk Shows, Awareness Programmes, collaborate with other NGO’s, Community, Government, Semi-Government, Women’s Chambers of Commerce/Industry, with a target to bring more women (rural, urban) into the folds of BPW, emphasizing Women’s Empowerment through Sustainable Development Goals and involving Parliamentarians to cooperate through legislation on the burning topics of the world today pertaining to women, child marriage, home based workers, legal issues of women to be taken to the highest forum and resolved amicably and above all, no gender discrimination at work.</p>
<p>A written Supporting statement (Maximum 200 words) by nominating affiliate</p>	<p>As the President of BPW Pakistan and also sub-regional Coordinator (Asia Pacific 2018) and a very senior member of the organization, do hereby recommend Naheed Ahmed, Advocate, for the position of Chair of Legislation. She joined the Federation in 2001, has served as the Legal Advisor and Vice President among other posts. She is a charismatic leader, and a thorough social work professional who has worked with various international NGO’s to empower women, leaders, and people from all walks of life by motivating them to achieve our mutual goals as citizens of an enlightened society.</p> <p>Mrs Ahmed educates and supports women to live as equals in an ever-advancing world. She has received awards from international NGO’s for her social work, as she continues her professional practice to accomplish our mutual goals. Indeed, I highly recommend Mrs Ahmed as a long-lasting success for BPW.</p> <p><i>Nasreen Mahdi</i> <i>President, BPW Pakistan</i></p>

