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My name is Hailey Nikkels. I'm a third-year associate at the Lang Law Firm, where I work in Construction Litigation and Personal Injury. I was born and raised in San Antonio, attended Texas A&M for undergrad, and earned my law degree from St. Mary's. I have a mini Dachshund named Cooper and play sand volleyball in my free time.

I'm running for the SAYLA Board because I believe I can be a strong asset to the organization. As a San Antonio native, I know this community, both in and out of the courtroom. I'm also a current member of the 2025 Bexar County Women's Bar LEAD class. While at St. Mary's, I was an active member of the student body and built a track record of collaboration and turning ideas into action. I served in student government, competed on the National Team, and served as president of the Aggie Bar Association. During my time as president, I created "Rivalry Week" in collaboration with the Longhorn Bar Association and Sister Grace, benefiting the San Antonio Food Bank. I'm proud to say three years later, Rivalry Week is still going strong and has grown to include other undergrad-affiliated bar associations like the Bobcat and Raider Bars.

As young lawyers, we have a unique opportunity to give back to the city we love while strengthening our own legal community. I'd love to see SAYLA continue its commitment to enriching the lives of young lawyers through friendship, education, and service for the benefit of the communities we live in and serve.

I'm excited for the year ahead and would be honored to serve as a Board Member!