

Vice President

The Vice President's role in OBI is both fixed and fluid. The Vice President is assumed to perform the duties and responsibilities of the President during the President's absence or his/her inability to perform the duties of the President's position. The Vice President is also called upon to oversee or be in charge of special projects for OBI. When not specifically requested to perform a particular duty, the Vice President has a great deal of discretion in determining how active of a role he/she would like play, depending upon his/her available time, interests, background, etc. The Vice President may create a "pet project." For example, the "New Kids on the Block," was an idea created by the sitting V.P. to profile new members of OBI and in efforts to connect investigators and paralegals, hired by their respective jurisdictions in the past year, with longer-standing OBI members. The Vice President may or may not serve as the NOBC liaison. Overall, the Vice President's position requires flexibility and the willingness to contribute in whatever capacity that can help OBI meet its goals. As with all Board members, the Vice President's ideas, thoughts and input regarding the operations of OBI are imperative.

Regarding "New Kids on the Block," usually in November, the V.P. sends an announcement via listserv requesting that anyone who has been hired in the past year to provide a brief bio and picture (if possible) to the V.P. for the "New Kids on the Block" profile. A few people may respond at first. Send a second request/reminder within the next couple of weeks and then gather all of the information and send to OBI members via the listserv. Also, send an additional email to the Website Chair and request that the "New Kids" be added to the website.