

## **Resident and Fellow Section (AMA-RFS)**

Speaker, Vice Speaker

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### **Name**

Edgar Joseph Remotti

### **Credentials**

MD

### **Pronouns**

He/Him



### **Statement of interest**

250 words to convince you all that I am the most qualified candidate for this position. Having nearly completed my residency at Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center/Harvard Medical School in Anesthesiology, and nearing the start of my fellowship in interventional pain at the same institution, there are many accomplishments and memories that I can look back on fondly. I served as Chief Resident, Residency Wellness Chair, Environmental Champion for the BIDMC Environmental Sustainability Committee, was nominated as an ASA Emerging Leaders Scholar, held various roles through my intended subspecialty association, ASRAPM; these include my appointment as Resident Ambassador, Social Media Committee Representative, as well as recent 2 year appointment as the ASRAPM Fellow Section Representative to the AMA (where I will already be attending the interim and annual AMA meetings in November and June, respectively). I did not attain these positions as a result of sheer luck, nor did I seek them out as means of padding my resume. I envision my medical career as both a journey of growth, and a destination to enact meaningful macroscopic change for the profession and constituents I value so dearly. If given the opportunity to serve in this position, I would effectively carry out my entrusted roles and responsibilities while improving underlying systems, relations and initiatives for continued success. Thank you for your consideration, let's get to work.

### **Diversity statement**

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) is a relatively recent national initiative of many organizations and institutions within healthcare. When I attended the ASA Advance as an Emerging Leader Scholar, I distinctly remember the keynote speaker stressing the importance of DEI, while noting how we were failing to effectively implement these changes. Diversity is not a passive act of “checking boxes,” as he put it; it is about embracing the unique understanding and life experiences of others, bringing their ideas to the forefront of discussion, and creating a streamlined think-tank of shared values and cohesive communities. Through my work as a chair of the Social Justice Committee at BIDMC and as a chief resident via pipeline STEM programs at Harvard Medical School, I have had the privilege of magnifying these voices and integrating them within our healthcare system. Having grown up a “military brat,” I had the unique experience of relocating from country to country from a young age; my adaptability to new people, cultures and ideas was the catalyst for my continued passion working on these initiatives. As one of the representative voices for the AMA’s RFS Governing Council, I would draw in the varied experiences of underrepresented minorities, who are, as the name implies, woefully disconnected from us; beyond this, I would seek to recruit representative leaders from the many specialties that comprise this organization to bolster the reach and depth of our shared voices.