ISB/ISG At-Large Candidate Profile

Vikkie Becker – Alexander, Illinois

College/University Attended (list degree or certificate received along with dates attended)

• Lincoln Land Community College

Board Participation in Soybean-Related Organizations

- Illinois Soybean Association LEAD
- American Agri-Women
- Illinois Agri-Women

Board Participation in County and Community Level Organizations

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Board Participation in State/Federal Organizations

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Board Participation in Other Organizations

• West Central Illinois Big Brother Big Sister

Please explain why you want to serve as an ISB/ISG At-Large Board Director and how you are qualified for the position.

• My name is Vikkie Becker, and I'm excited to share my interest in running for an At-Large Director on the Illinois Soybean Association Board. I'm writing to request consideration for this role.

My husband, Marc, and I have been farming in Morgan and Sangamon Counties for nearly 38 years. We live in Alexander, Morgan County, which is located in West Central Illinois. Being married to a farmer, agriculture has become the center of my life. I can bring a unique and valuable viewpoint to the board, shaped by years of deep community roots and involvement.

I've been following the ISA's work for a while and have had the opportunity to attend a few meetings. Seeing the organization's positive impact has truly inspired me. That inspiration led me to join the LEAD program, where I can lead others as I learn new ways to engage, educate, and advocate for our industry. I'm passionate about educating and sharing anything in the agriculture industry. I use my creativity to help move the ISA's mission forward.

I've also made it a priority to stay involved in agricultural advocacy. I've participated in Illinois Legislative Day in Springfield and walked the halls of Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C. These experiences have fueled my commitment to making sure the voices of Illinois farmers are heard.

I've been active with organizations like Illinois Agri-Women, American Agri-Women, and Cass Morgan Farm Bureau, strengthening my collaboration, leadership, and public outreach skills. I've also recently completed two national leadership programs—Syngenta's Leadership At Its Best and American Agri-Women's Road to Influence—to further grow and strengthen my ability to educate and advocate while making an impact. If chosen as an At-Large Director, I would bring a strong work ethic, a collaborative spirit, and a sincere commitment to supporting ISA's goals. I care deeply about the future of our industry and want to help guide the organization with integrity, creativity, and a focus on its long-term growth and strength.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my application. I'd be honored to contribute to the board and work alongside others who share my passion for agriculture.

Sincerely, Vikkie Becker