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**INDEPENDENT
EDUCATION UNION OF
AUSTRALIA**

**New South Wales/Australian
Capital Territory Branch**

**CANDIDATE
STATEMENTS**

**Casual Vacancy Election–
E2023/88**

For the election of:
BRANCH ASSISTANT SECRETARY (1)

Statements submitted by candidates in
accordance with IEUA Rule 10.10

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presentation has been amended for publication purposes.*

AMIT KUMAR
Returning Officer
MELBOURNE

CATON, LYN

BRANCH ASSISTANT SECRETARY



I am seeking your support for election as Assistant Secretary.

I have extensive experience as a teacher, Chapter Rep, Sub-branch President and NSW/ACT Executive member.

I have been employed as an IEU Organiser since 2008. In this role

I have represented members in the ACT, across southern NSW (the Riverina and earlier the South East) and for shorter periods the Central West, and Sydney Catholic Schools members in 2022.

I am currently also the Organiser for the Principals Subbranch.

I have a deep knowledge and understanding of the industrial and educational concerns facing our profession, and a strong commitment to issues such as those effecting First Nations Peoples and the environment. I was able to further these interests when I was seconded to our federal office in 2021-2022 as a Research Officer and as co- convenor of the IEU Women and Equity committee.

Collaboration lies at the heart of our union's strength. I am committed to fostering a culture of unity and solidarity, by nurturing strong relationships with members, representatives, and stakeholders.

While I have the support of Mark Northam (Secretary), Carol Matthews (Deputy Secretary) and David Towson (Assistant Secretary) in this election, it is your support I seek.

HADDAD, LUBNA

BRANCH ASSISTANT SECRETARY



Members

I seek your support for the position of Assistant Secretary, IEUA NSW/ACT Branch.

I am an accredited teacher and an experienced union organiser, fiercely protective of your profession.

Having previously acted in the position of Assistant Secretary, I want to continue working with the elected officials to:

- Represent members and collaborate with chapters to overcome intensifying workloads such as programming, data collection and compliance.
- Empower Principals and experienced teachers to continue their vital work.
- Progress the rights and job security of our valuable and critical support staff.
- Support early career teachers and ensure they access timely mentoring and relevant professional development.
- Advocate for greater protection of your WHS rights in your workplaces.
- Collaborate with state branches, and other unions, to represent our professional voice at State and Federal decision-making forums.

Using my transformational and innovative leadership skills, I will grow and strengthen our union to meet the complex industrial, professional and technological challenges facing you.

I am passionate about representing the experiences of our diverse membership and I ask for your vote to help continue the work to future proof your profession, schools, early childhood centres and English colleges.

Vote for your future.

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