

Hello SU members,

My name is Janelle Mullen, I have been with the State of Alaska for 21 years, approximately 19 of those serving as an SU member. I am currently an Employee Representative for DOH and am passionate about supporting our members and helping them through any supervisory challenges they encounter.

My philosophy as a supervisor lies in helping my team members get to where they want to go in their career. My goal is always to foster growth and working knowledge in my team so any one of them can eventually replace me when the time comes. I make it my mission to effectively know my team members and give them the tools they need to build their career with the state. I consider myself more of a mentor than a manager.

I learned a lot of my leadership and negotiating skills in college where I accomplished my Associate of Applied Science degrees in Networking, Network Security, and Law enforcement, as well as my Bachelor of Applied Science in Justice Administration, my Master of Public Administration (MPA), and finally my current educational path a nearly finished Master of Forensic Psychology. I took negotiating classes for my MPA and learned a lot about the process.

While I have never been on a formal negotiating team, I come with an arsenal of experience passionately negotiating for myself, family, friends, and acquaintances throughout my life. Some examples are getting more from a used car company for my son's car than he asked for or negotiating with HR on approving a hire or preparing and submitting our section budget. Often, I come away with what I ask for, and am not a person who tends to split the difference.

If chosen, I would be honored to represent all our incredibly hardworking members. I am enthusiastic when it comes to being on a team working toward the common goals to build a better future for our members. I will be a positive asset to the SU negotiating team.

In Solidarity,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "J. Mullen".

Janelle Mullen