

R E N E E T O W L E S

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PROFILE

I am a reliable and adaptable Chicago area resident available for background roles in TV and film. With a grounded presence and a natural ability to blend into fast-paced environments, I bring a professional and energetic attitude to every project. I recently returned to the U.S. from the UK, bringing a fresh perspective and readiness to contribute. I am available immediately for weekday shoots and eager to gain on-set experience in the entertainment industry.

KEY SKILLS

- ✓ Comfortable in fast-paced environments and adaptable to various roles
- ✓ Strong communication skills and professional demeanor
- ✓ Ability to follow directions and maintain energy throughout long shoot days
- ✓ Flexibility with availability and willingness to work weekday shoots
- ✓ No special requirements and local to Chicago

EDUCATION & CERTIFICATIONS

Master of Social Work (MSW), 2001

University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee

Study Abroad: University of Bristol, School of Social Policy, Summer 2000

Comparative Social Policy

Bachelor of Science, Major: Social Worker Minor: Psychology

University of Wisconsin, Whitewater

PUBLIC SPEAKING

Panel Guest, Bird & Bird LLP, Safeguarding in Sport Series- Safeguarding in Sport, the United States (awaiting publishing date)

Panel Guest, Women in Sport, Topic: "*Safeguarding in Soccer: What you need to know to do the job*"

Panel Guest, Sprocket Sports, Topic: "*Leveraging the World Cup: Growing your Girls' Program While Championing Female Athlete Safety*"

Presenter, U.S. Soccer Women's Referee Initiative, Topic: "*Understanding Power Imbalances in Sport*"

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

INDEPENDENT SAFEGUARDING CASE MANAGEMENT PANEL ADVISOR, England Netball |

January 2022- Present

- Provide independent oversight and advice on safeguarding case management, ensuring compliance with child protection laws, policies, and ethical frameworks.

INDEPENDENT SAFEGUARDING ADVISOR, Pittsburgh Penguins Junior Elite (contracted) |

January 2023- Present

- Advise the club on safeguarding and misconduct matters, offering independent oversight and guidance to ensure compliance with the SafeSport Act, child protection legislation, and best practices.

VICE PRESIDENT, SAFEGUARDING PREVENTION & EDUCATION, United States Soccer Federation |

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