

Announcing a New Executive Director: Ariana Smith

Lawyers Committee on Nuclear Policy is pleased to announce that **Ariana Smith** will be our new Executive Director, starting in early September. John Burroughs, who has held the position for more than 20 years, will become a senior legal analyst for LCNP.

In May, Ariana received a J.D. from City University of New York (CUNY) Law School and an M.A. in International Affairs from CUNY City College. We first got to know her when she was an intern for LCNP in fall 2018. She made a [presentation](#) at our December 10, 2018 event, "The Right to Life Versus Nuclear Weapons" ([video](#)). She has been a fellow of the Sorensen Center for International Peace & Justice at CUNY Law. She also just finished a fellowship with Reprieve UK, where she worked on death penalty issues. Ariana is a founding member and managing editor for a new online publication, [Human Rights Pulse](#).



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LCNP's work, especially our insistence on the illegality of nuclear weapons since our founding in 1981, is needed more than ever. We see Ariana's hiring as an important step in ensuring that LCNP engages the next generation of advocates and lawyers in our work and is able to persevere in grappling with both the long-standing peril of nuclear arms and new challenges.

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