

With thanks to my nominator, I've accepted the nomination for COPE 491 RVP for the Maritimes Region (Region 7).

A little about me...

My name is **Amanda Atherton**. I am a full-time permanent administrative support professional at the Saint John Area Office in New Brunswick.

Before coming to work for CUPE in 2014, I worked for 14 years at WorkSafeNB. While with WorkSafeNB, I was involved in my local union. As a member of CUPE Local 1866, I was elected

and worked for 4+ years as recording secretary and 7+ years as president. I was a member of the Local 1866's labour management, negotiations, and benefits committees. During my term as president, I sat as a vice-president on CUPE NB's Division Executive and attended conventions as a delegate and worked as a member of the Credentials Committee. I also sat as a representative on the NB Federation of Labour's Health & Safety Coalition on behalf of CUPE NB.

Since coming to work for CUPE, I have worked as an administrative support professional; first as a full-time temporary secretary at the Maritimes Regional Office and, since 2015, as a full-time permanent administrative support professional in the Saint John Area Office. From 2015 to 2019, I was the COPE representative on the Maritimes Joint Health & Safety Committee. In 2016, I attended CUPE's Representative Training Program in Ontario and worked for close to 3 years as a temporary servicing representative with assignments in NB and NS.

I came into the role of RVP for the Maritimes Region earlier this year. I have enjoyed working with the executive of COPE 491 on behalf our members in New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island. If elected, I look forward to continuing to help ensure that our region and members are represented and engaged.