



Knights of Columbus

Washington State Council

April 15, 2022

Subject: Nominations for State Officers and Delegates to Supreme Convention

Worthy Grand Knights and Financial Secretaries,

The 2021/2022 Annual Meeting of the Washington State Council will be conducted virtually on May 14, 2022 at 1pm. Nominations for State Officers and Delegates to the Supreme Convention are now open for submission to the State Secretary prior to the convention. Nominations for State Officers and Supreme Convention Delegates can also be made on the virtual floor during the convention.

All **State Officers** except State Warden are being nominated for a second year in their current elected office as a single slate for Fraternal Year 2022-2023. Other candidate nominations for these offices are permitted by delegates to the 119th WSC Convention. As last year, nomination(s) for each office will be posted on the WSC Website.

Current Nominations for WSC State Deputy, State Secretary, State Treasurer and State Advocate, Fraternal Year 2022-2023:

- Kim L. Washburn, State Deputy, Leavenworth Council 13597
- Gregory S. Mahoney, State Secretary, Issaquah Council 7907
- Thomas C. Williams, State Treasurer, Shoreline Council 14689
- Scott E. Hulse, State Advocate, Ferndale Council 7356

This year, we will have a separate election for State Warden. Sitting State Warden David Olwell was appointed by the State Deputy this year to finish out the term of Past State Warden Larry Devlin. David Olwell is nominated to continue as an elected State Warden for Fraternal Year 2022-2023. Other candidate nominations for the office of State Warden are permitted by delegates to the 119th WSC Convention and will be posted on the WSC Website.

Current Nomination for WSC State Warden, Fraternal Year 2022-2023:

- David H. Olwell, Sitting State Warden, Lacey Council 16361

For consideration before being nominated for **State Warden**, the duties entail transporting equipment to various state meetings, and at least twice a year require a larger vehicle or trailer without renting. It would be wise to be of good health to handle moving equipment for the State Warden term(s) of one or two years; have reasonable computer skills; plan for a long-term commitment as a State Officer; have/had leadership experience, such as Grand Knight/Past Grand Knight, District Deputy/Former District Deputy or State Director/Chairman. However, none of these positions are prerequisites for nomination.

Nominations are also open for the election of Delegates to the 140th Supreme Convention to be held in Nashville, TN, August 2-4, 2022. Each year, delegates at our Washington State Convention elect delegates/alternates to the International Supreme Convention. Each Jurisdiction (75) is to be represented. The Washington State Jurisdiction is allowed 8 delegates and 8 alternates. As with our State Convention, Supreme delegates are first in line to attend. Alternates fill in if a delegate cannot.



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Washington State Council delegates for the 119th WSC Convention are allowed to nominate a candidate to the Supreme Convention. Nominated candidates do not have to be delegates to the 119th WSC Convention. We can elect four insurance delegates and four associate delegates. Insurance members can fill associate positions, but Associate members cannot fill Insurance positions.

Current Nominations for Delegates to the Supreme Convention:

- Gregory S. Mahoney, State Secretary, Insurance, Issaquah Council 7907

For consideration before being nominated as a **Delegate to the Supreme Convention**, Supreme will reimburse Jurisdiction delegates traveling from their home to Nashville, TN, as follows:

- One-way mileage from castle (home) to Nashville at \$0.30/mile for the first 1500 miles (That was what Supreme paid during the past several years. I assume that will be the case this year), and \$0.20/mile thereafter. The mileage is only ONE WAY. No matter how you get there (plane, train, automobile, boat, bicycle, helicopter, hot air balloon, rocket, etc.) the reimbursement is only determined by mileage from home to Nashville.
- You must stay in the Supreme hotel where the Convention is being held to qualify for per diem reimbursement. Supreme has traditionally paid \$400/night for three nights (max \$1,200). There are no other reimbursements. It doesn't matter if you bring your wife, kids, dog, or relatives. If the wife and kids (not the dog) attend, they will be able to participate in some events, but there will be NO reimbursement for them.
- There is an All-States dinner at the Supreme Convention that usually costs around \$60/plate. This \$60 per plate is out of pocket and will not be reimbursed.

I do not want you to be surprised by unexpected costs. More details will be provided after the election of delegates.

The Supreme Convention is an incredible experience with Cardinals, Bishops, Priests, (our State Chaplain will be there), and brother knights and families from around the world. There could be more than 2,000 attendees at the Supreme Convention. Please consider running as a delegate to attend. It is an experience you will never forget. Encourage new members and young members to run for Supreme Convention Delegate.

I will post all nominations upon receipt on our State Website under the 119th WSC Convention information page tab. Send all nominations to me via email to StateSecretary@kofc-wa.org, no later than **May 1, 2022**. Attach a WORD Document listing the information outlined below. Nominations must be made by a delegate to the 119th WSC Convention, but the nominee doesn't need to be a delegate.

Information I require for submitted nominations (Word Document attached in email):

For State Officers:

- Delegate's Name and Council number placing the nomination
- Name of the candidate



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- Council name and number of the candidate
- Address of the candidate
- Membership number of the candidate
- Phone number of the candidate
- Signature of Delegate making the nomination

For Delegates to the Supreme Convention:

- Delegate's Name and Council number placing the nomination
- Name of the candidate
- Council name and number of the candidate
- Address of the candidate
- Membership number of the candidate
- Phone number of the candidate
- Insurance or Associate member – Candidate
- Signature of Delegate making the nomination

Finally, our State Deputy will call for a short adjournment of the 119th WSC Convention, and as President of the Columbus Charities and the Pennies for Heaven Fund Corporations, convene a general meeting to conduct the business of each Corporation. This year, the Columbus Charities Corporation Board of Directors has submitted a resolution for a substantial rewrite of the Columbus Charities, Inc. Bylaws. One of the changes proposed by Past State Deputies is to eliminate the requirement for a Past State Deputy to be elected for a two-year term as a Director of the Columbus Charities Board of Directors. If the rewrite is not approved, the current Columbus Charities, Inc. Bylaws will remain in effect. However, there will be no nominations for a Past State Deputy to be elected to the Board. Past State Deputy Ed Parazoo will continue to serve as a Director in the second year of his term in office.

Again, please submit nominations to me in a timely manner, **no later than May 1, 2022**, per the guidance in this letter.

If you have any questions, please call me at (703) 969-1888 or email me at StateSecretary@kofc-wa.org.

Vivat Jesus!

Fraternally yours,

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