

December 4, 2015

Gentlemen:

I am proud to submit my name as a candidate for the Korean War Veterans Association Board of Directors for the years 2016-2019.

I joined the U.S. Army in January, 1955 directly from college and was assigned to the Army Security Agency. After being trained as a cryptanalyst and graduating near the top of my class, I was assigned to the newly formed National Security Agency for the remainder of my Army tour. Because of sensitive security requirements, I cannot spell out details of that assignment.

Following my Army tour, I returned to college and got a BA degree from Lamar University in Texas. My civilian employment thereafter includes another 35 years with the National Security Agency as an analyst, Senior Staff Officer and Administrator. Again, specific details of my work are classified.

For most of my adult life I have worked with veterans organizations and veterans issues through various non-profit groups. I am a PUFL member of the American Legion as well as a Life member of the KWVA. I am a founding member of Antietam Chapter 312 of the KWVA in Hagerstown, MD. I have served as an officer of that chapter every year but one including the Secretary during the early years, the Commander during the 60th Anniversary and 1st Vice-Commander presently. I have also been the Membership Chairman, Newsletter editor, Tell America coordinator and I currently handle Public Relations for the chapter as well as Monument Chairman. At the National KWVA level, I have served on the AVKF Scholarship Committee for two years. In 2013, I was selected Veteran of the Year by our local Joint Veterans Council.

Over the years, I have been part of numerous community non-profits such as the Boys & Girls Clubs and local Recreation Council in leadership positions. I am a member of the Elks and have served in leadership positions at the local, state and national levels. Through all these activities, I continued my education at the University of Maryland where I got an MA degree and where I taught International Relations courses for 8 years. I believe these experiences have given me great insight to address organizational issues before the Board of Directors.

As a life member, my dues are paid and I will attend all called meetings of the Board of Directors. I understand that two (2) unexcused absences could be used to remove me from office. I approve release of this letter to the Election Comm.

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