



My name is Eddie L. Bell, Sr., and I would like to submit my name as a candidate for the KWVA Director position for the three-year term 2017–2020. I am a Life Member, my dues are current, and will remain current through the term of office. A copy of my DD-214 and KWVA application forms are attached, and I authorized they may be released for verification by the Election Committee. I understand that I must attend all called meetings of the Board of Directors and understand that two unexcused

absences may be cause for removal. I was born and raised in Mobile, Alabama. After graduating from high school, I enlisted in the US Army in 1966 to 1969, and again in 1974. Serviced for 27+ years in Signal Corps and retired as First Sergeant in 1995. Immediately went to work for DoD, and retired as GS-13 on 31 December 2014, after 19 + years in Stuttgart, Germany. **Education and Training:** Graduate of Southwest State Technical institute, Mobile, Alabama, with certification in Electronic Appliance Maintenance and Refrigeration. **Training includes:** Communications Electronic Maintenance, U. S. Army Information System Management, Contracting Officer Representative Course, Leadership Education and Development Course. **Work Experience:** First Sergeant (1SG), with three Signal Battalion's. Branch Chief, HQ U.S. Africa Command, J65 Enterprise Service Division, Stuttgart Germany. Provided real-world secure/non-secure mission support to the Commanding General and his Senior Staff of over 9 General Officers, 5 Ambassadors, and 4 Foreign Service Diplomats. Served as Communications Electronics Maintenance Technician, 61<sup>st</sup> Maintenance Battalion U. S. Army Forces Korea. Served as Communication Command and Control Officer, CONUS Communications Support Command, Ogden Utah. **Organizations and Affiliations:** State President of the Korean War Veterans Association (KWVA), Texas. Life Member KWVA, Chapter 222, Killeen, Texas, Life Member Disable Veterans (Chapter 74), Life Member Vietnam Veterans of America (Chapter 1000), Life Member Forty & Eight (Locale 266), Member, Killeen Sister Cities, Osan, Korea Committee. **Awards and Recognition:** Certificate of Appreciation by General Ward, Commander HQ U. S. Africa Command. Certificate of Appreciation by BG Ferrell, Director J6 HQ U. S. Africa Command. The joint Civilian Service Commendation Award, by MG Mannon, Chief of Staff, HQ U. S. Africa Command, The Joint Civilian Service Achievement Award by VADM Moeller, Deputy Commander, HQ U. S. Africa Command, Meritorious Service Medal, 01/91; Army Commendation Medal, 4th OLC; Army Achievement Medal, 3rd OLC; Good Conduct Medal, 8th AWD; Vietnam Service Medal, 1968–1969; Vietnam Cross Of Gallantry W/Palm; Korean Defense Service Medal; Armed Forces Medal. Presently, I'm the President of the Department of Texas KWVA. I've commissioned a State KWVA flag with the Governor of Texas and created a State uniform/dress for both males and females. Setup a much needed Veteran's Internment Fund and raised over \$5,000 to offset burial expenses when families don't have funds for support. I was recently selected to serve on the National membership/recruiting committee. If elected, I know I will make a difference and uphold the legacy of our comrades. It will never be forgotten on my watch. I ask for your support to be one of your next directors for the years 2017–2020, and I will make all the meetings.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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