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Region 17 Commander (Montana/Wyoming)

I have been a member in good standing in The Scottish American Military Society for the previous 14 years. I accept nomination to the office of National Councilor at large for which I have been nominated in the Scottish American Military Society.

I have been a member of SAMS since 2014. The last 3 years have been Adjutant of Post 1889, & acting Adjutant of District 15 Commander Rob Donaldson. I have assisted in Recruiting at games, & state & County Fairs. I have assisted in the opening of Post 1955 Spokane, Post 1859 Coupeville. I trained their Adjutants & taught them how to Recruit. For the last four years I attended to Bitterroot Highland Games in Montana. Last year I recruited 12 members SAMS with the goal of starting a new Post. I moved to Montana three months ago & accepted the title of Commander of Region 17. This year I have recruited four new members, received Approval & acceptance as a new Bitterroot Camp 1837. My Goal is to have this Camp split into three Posts by the end of the year.

In the last 15 years, I have been an American Legion Post Commander three times, District Vice Commander twice, District Commander three times. As District Commander I developed three new Posts. I have been a State Disaster Chair for eight years & Been Vice Chair of Special Olympics Hospitality Chair for 14 years. I have worked Legion Recruiting Booths at state & local Fairs & in 12 years recruited 400+ new members.

I have also been active & held office in the Fleet Reserve Assn, .& 40 et 8 Nationale.

I have been a FEMA CERT (Community Emergence Response Teams) instructor & HAM radio operator for fourteen years. After being deployed to Hurricane Katrina as an Armed Security Officer.

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