

Pursuant to a resolution adopted by the High Court, membership of the High Court will be restricted to only one member from any family.<sup>1</sup>

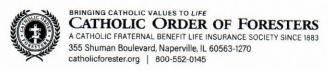
Office Sought: High Court Trustee						S. On.
SECTION A: PERSONAL PROFILE						
Full Legal Name: Ronald Joseph Freund						
2. Court Name/Number <sup>A</sup> : St. Mary Ct. 594						
3. Membership Date <sup>B</sup> : 02/01/1961						
4. Are you a Catholic Order of Foresters member in good standing and a practicing Roman Catholic in union with Rome as defined in the Order's Constitution and Bylaws?   ✓ Yes □ No						
5. Are you a citizen of the United States?		X Yes	□ No			
6. Current Address: 4806 W. Glenbrook 7	Гrail, McHenry,	, IL. 60050	)			
7. Marital status: Married		7a. Spou	ise nam	e: Patricia	S. Freur	nd
8. Have you ever been separated or divorced?		□ Yes	X No	If "Yes",	explain b	pelow.
9. Email: rpfreund@yahoo.com  A According to Section 13 of the Constitution and Bylaws, "No more than one High Court member may be a member of the same local court. No more than two High Court members may come from the same jurisdiction."  B According to Section 13 of the Constitution and Bylaws, "A High Court officer or trustee/director candidate must have been a member in good standing for two full years before nomination."						
SECTION B: EDUCATION, COURT E	XPERIENCE					
School Name	City/State			Graduate	9	Degree/Certificate
1. High: McHenry Community HS, McHen	ry, IL.			XYes	□ No	
2. College: Northern Illinois University, De	Kalb, IL.			XYes	□ No	BS
2a. If you received a college education, provide your field of study and major:	Field of study Business	'		Major Busines	ss <mark>M</mark> anag	gement
3. Other:				☐ Yes	□ No	
List prior Catholic Order of Foresters offices held, including all jurisdiction/state and/or local court titles and dates. Attach additional paper for more space.						
Vice High Chief Ranger (08/2023 - presen (2012-2015), Chief Ranger Ct. 594 (1999-	nt), High Court 2001), Treasu	Trustee (2 arer Ct. 59	2015-20 4 (1997-	23) , State ·1998)	Court Ti	rustee

## SECTION C: PROFESSIONAL, OCCUPATIONAL AND BUSINESS AFFILIATIONS 1a. Provide name of your current employer and occupation. MTI Distributing Provide a brief narrative of your current occupational role and responsibilities. Currently I am a Territory Sales Manager for Toro lawn and garden products. Responsible for a \$15 Million territory in the greater Chicagoland market. Interacting with retail owners and managers in various dealerhips. I am also responsible for reporting activities and results to my managemnt team and corporate Toro. 1c. List your employment history for the last five (5) years. MTI Distributing 2. List all current professional, occupational and/or vocational licenses you hold. N/A 3. Provide details of any affiliation or association you (or your spouse) have with another insurer or fraternal organization. N/A 4. Briefly state why you are qualified for the position you seek. Why would you be an asset to the Order? Use additional paper for more space. I am an experienced professional with a strong background in general business and sales. I am adept at

Through my COF experiences in the local, State Court and High Court positions, I have a clear understanding of the fraternal workings as well as the insurance business side of the order. I am committed to nurturing as environment of openness, respect and support to strengthen our community and organization.

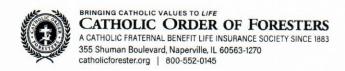
developing programs and plans with my customers that consistently achieve established goals. My role requires me to be proactive as well as a problem solver. I've established a reputation for building strong relationships and earning their trust through consistent reliability, attentive service and transparent

communication.



SECTION D: GENERAL KNOWLEDGE OF FRATERNAL BENEFIT SYSTEM OPER	RATIONS	
Do you possess a general knowledge of the Fraternal Benefit System?	X Yes	□ No
Do you possess a general knowledge of the Order's fraternal workings?	X Yes	□ No
Do you possess a general insurance management knowledge?	X Yes	□No
Do you possess a general investment management knowledge?	X Yes	□No
5. Are you free to travel on the Order's business?	X Yes	□ No
6. Do you have the time to devote to completing the orientation and educational training as required by the High Court?	X Yes	□ No
7. Do you understand that failure to comply with all orientation and educational training as required by the High Court within twelve (12) months of taking office will result in the forfeiture of your elected High Court position?	ズ Yes	□ No
8. Do you have a valid Driver's License?	X Yes	□ No
9. Are you prepared to devote the necessary time to fulfilling your responsibility as a High Court Trustee?	ズ Yes	□ No
10. Are you familiar with COF's life insurance and products?	X Yes	□No
Are you familiar with the core characteristics, key competencies, and desired experiences required by the High Court?	ズ Yes	□ No
12. Do you possess one (1) or more of the characteristics, key competencies, and desired experiences as set forth by the High Court?	X Yes	□ No
13. List all characteristics, key competencies, and desired experiences that you possess.		
I am a strong communicator, both written and verbal.  I excel at building strong relationships with my colleagues, customers and community member trust and collaboration.  I demonstrate leadership qualities, including the ability to inspire and motivate others and driv common goals. I actively engage in discussions and seek feedback and perspectives from of I have a track record of delivering results and achieving established goals.  I can analyze complex situations, identify opportunities, and formulate plans to resolve issues goals.  My involvement with the COF organization is both a challenging and enriching experience.	ve teams t thers.	oward

14. Are you familiar with COF's mission?	XYes	□No
15. Do you support COF's mission?	XYes	□ No
16. Describe in narrative form how you support COF's mission.		
16. Describe in narrative form how you support COF's mission.  I align my daily routines and decisions with the overarching values of our organization. I enga colleagues across departments and functions, fostering a collaborative environment where we leveraging our collective expertise, to achieve our goals. I strive for excellence in my profession personal life, continually working to learn and grow. I participate in Feeding God's Children evevents for fundraising, social gatherings, celebrations and offer assistance where I can. I try to involved in the COF organization, particularly by engaging our youth to ensure the continued s growth of COF.  I've been a member of the High Court since 2015 and I appreciate the opportunity to continue COF.	work toge onal and ents, chui o get othe support an	ether, rch rs d



#### **SECTION E: AUTHORIZATION AND CERTIFICATION**

I attest the above information is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

I voluntarily authorize Catholic Order of Foresters to verify any information deemed necessary and to contact any individuals, schools, organizations, or investigative agencies.

This resume and accompanying photograph may be reproduced and distributed to the Catholic Order of Foresters Nominating/Election Committee, High Court officers and accredited National Convention delegates.

I further understand that all candidates are permitted to prepare a video, not to extend longer than three (3) minutes in length, that will be posted online to the catholicforester.org website. The video, which must be submitted by the deadline, may be accessible for viewing by Catholic Order of Foresters members, High Court officers and accredited National Convention delegates, and other visitors to the website.

Full Legal Name: Ronald Joseph Freund	
Full Legal Signature	Date 05/11/2024

#### **CANDIDATE VIDEO**

You may create and submit an optional video of yourself, not to extend longer than 3 minutes in length, that will be posted to the catholicforester.org website.

Your video must be submitted by June 3, 2024, to be reviewed for compliance with the stated 3-minute time length.

All posted videos may be accessible for viewing by Catholic Order of Foresters members, High Court officers and accredited National Convention delegates, and other visitors to the Catholic Order of Foresters' website.

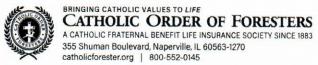
To submit your video, please visit and click the hyperlink at catholicforester.org/2024-convention-landing-page.

#### **CANDIDATE PHOTO**

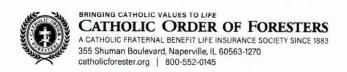
Please attach or upload a 3 x 5-inch or 4 x 7-inch digital professional photos of yourself by June 3, 2024. Your submitted photo will be placed on the first page of the Candidate Resume and may be used on the Catholic Order of Foresters' website and other Convention and Order-related materials.

To submit your photo, attach it when submitting this application. To submit your photo at a later date, visit and click the hyperlink at catholicforester.org/2024-convention-landing-page.

NOMINATING/ELECTION COMMITTEE CANDIDATE A	PPROVAL	
Signature	Date	
David E. Duber	7/17/2024	



# **SECTION F: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION** Use this space to provide additional information. 4. (continued)-As a life-long member, my family and I have always been active in COF. I know the importance of continuing the traditions and community invlovement of COF. I am committed to advocating for the voices and needs of all members. While I enjoy the fraternal and social activities and events, it's clear that we must progress and adjust course to ensure we maintain a healthy and thriving organization.



# NOMINATION PETITION FOR OFFICE

Ronald Joseph Freund	, hereby file my nomination petition for the
Candidate's Full Legal Name	, hereby the my nonlination petition for the
office of High Court Trustee Office Name	with the Catholic Order of Foresters.
A copy of my resume is attached.	
CANDIDATE CERTIFICATION	
I hereby certify that all information contained in my Ca is true, complete, and to the best of my knowledge con	ndidate Resume and Nomination Petition for Office form rect.
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