## Matthew C. Maly

#### Letter of Intent to Run for The Office of State Deputy

#### SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

My background includes job experience in, City Administration, Fire and Police Service, Nonprofit Organizations, Community Services, and Service to My Church; which provides me with a unique background in management. Serving management positions in different levels and industries has helped me understand the critical elements of team building within an organization. I believe these life experiences have given me the tools needed to serve the Oklahoma Knights as a State Officer.

#### **PERSONAL INFORMATION**

Married to my wife Dee for 32 years Catholic from birth in 1968 Member of Council 6478 Assist with teaching SCUBA Diving One Daughter Kristy 28 years old Attend Church at St. John Nepomuk Member of Assembly 2044

#### **EXPERIENCE OF A LIFETIME WITH THE KNIGHTS**

I come from a Knight background, my father is a Knight, my Grandfather was a Knight, many uncles and cousins are Oklahoma Knights. Many have said, I have been a Knight long before my first degree; I grew up as a Knight. My experiences in the Knights are long, but I have listed some of the highlights below.

Council 5396 Nicoma Park - Served as Warden, Chancellor, Deputy Grand Knight, Grand Knight, and Trustee

During my time with the council I lead many programs and developed program tracking tools to assist with goal setting. Council achieved many state awards while DGK and GK. We achieved Star Council during my term as GK.

Assembly 2044 Yukon - Served as Faithful Navigator and Admiral

Oklahoma State Council – Family Director – Membership Director – Warden – Advocate - Treasurer - Secretary

During term of State Membership Director, lead the State to Circle of Honor within the Order.

As State Warden, worked to simplify and improve the quality of the State Conventions.

As State Advocate, worked to improve state convention procedures and state website.

As State Treasurer, moved the accounting system to Quickbooks standardizing our procedures and established a separate Charity Fund.

During my time as State Secretary improved invoice tracking and receipt procedures. We have moved the management of all state funds under the State Secretary as specified in the by-laws. Currently serving as the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification Team Marshall.

I was always taught, if you going to do something, do it right and leave it better than you found it! This is my work ethic while serving you as an officer. I have enjoyed serving every office within the Knights and have acquired valuable knowledge from each position. I respectfully submit this letter as my desire to continue to serve the Oklahoma Knights as your State Deputy, if you see fit to elect me.

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Matthew Maly



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State Treasurer Dennis Kunnanz 1213 Scrambler Lane Edmond, OK 73025

March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Matt Maly, State Secretary Oklahoma State Council Knights of Columbus

Please accept this letter of intent to run for the office of State Secretary at the 2019 State Convention.

Dennis Kunnanz

#### Personnel Information

Ladine and I were married in 1976 in North Dakota and we have three sons who have blessed us with eight grandchildren. We have lived in Edmond, Oklahoma since 1994.

#### Parish Activity

We are members of St. John the Baptist Church in Edmond where we serve as Eucharistic Ministers. I also serve as representative of The Men of St John's on the Stewardship and Community Life Pillar Board and serve as the chairman of Stewardship and Community Life Pillar. I attend the Catholic Men's meetings on Thursdays at St John's. We both are also active in Cursillo. Ladine is involved in Faith Formation with sixth grade youth group and second year confirmation. We support a family in Peru thru the Peru Mission. I also help out at the Catholic Men's Conference.

### Knights of Columbus

My dad helped me join the Knights on Dec  $1^{st}$  1974. I have held the offices of DGK, GK and Trustee at Council 11237. I am also a Sir Knight and have held the offices of FC, FN and currently FT at Assembly 2004. At the state level I have served as DD #11, State Warden, State Advocate and current State Treasurer.

#### **Professional Experience**

I worked at Ecolab from 1983-2018 as a District Manager in Oklahoma, where I managed service technicians and oversaw the budget and daily operations. I was responsible for about half of Oklahoma in the position I held at Ecolab. I retired from Ecolab in May of 2018 after forty years of service.

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Worthy State Secretary,

I, Miguel Grijalva, am formally announcing my intention to run for the office of State Advocate. I hope to continue to contribute, to the State Council, my past experiences in the Order.

I currently serve the Oklahoma State Council as the incumbent State Warden, in addition I also assist the Knighthood Degree Ceremonial Team and the Patriotic Degree Ceremonial Team.

I have been married to my wife for 8 years come June 4<sup>th</sup> and the proud father of 2 children, Gracelyn (6) and Nicholas (3). I am employed at W.H. Braum Inc. as a Cultured Dairy Specialist which contributes to the production of all cultured products for all Braums retail stores.

It is my hope that should I be elected, I can continue to inspire other Brother Knights to grow in leadership both in Council and Parish life, to show that any Knight no matter his age, can share in the vision of our Founder, Fr. Michael McGivney. In particular, I hope to continue to be an example to Catholic Men my age that it is possible to be an active, thriving member.

Miguel Grijalva



Matt Maly, State Secretary P.O. Box 851476 Yukon, OK 73085-1476

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Worthy State Secretary

Please accept this letter as an expression of my intent to run for the Office of State Warden for the 2019-2020 fraternal year at the 114<sup>th</sup> State Convention.

Attached with this letter is my bio for your reference. It has been an Experience of a Lifetime to serve as a State of Oklahoma KofC District Deputy. I have gained much in knowledge and fellowship since joining our Fraternal Brotherhood of Knights and practicing our Catholic faith.

If I should be successful in being selected to the position I will fulfill the obligations of the office to the full extent of my abilities. If I am not successful I will be available to offer my services to the next administration in an appointed position or ad hoc volunteer.

Vivat Jesus!

Fraternally,

Steven E Rose District Deputy 9 State Faith Activities Director Oklahoma KofC State Council

#### **STEVEN E ROSE**

#### Letter of Intent to Run for The Office of State Warden

#### **Personal Information**

My wife Alice, of 45 years, and I were married in1974 at Arkansas City Ks. After joining the military in 1980 we lived in numerous locations around the world and finally settled in Lawton, OK in 1985 where I exited the military in 1994. We have a daughter Stephanie and son Stephen who both have blessed us with grandchildren and great grandchildren.

#### Parish Activities

Member at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church, Lawton OK Sacristan St John's Soup Kitchen Team Leader. Lawton, OK Lector RCIA Sponsor

#### **Professional Experience**

My past experiences have included working as a Freight Movement Specialist moving consumer goods across the lower 48 states to include Canada and Mexico. Working in the Tourist industry at Grand Canyon National Park and interacting with many Ethnic cultures from around the world. I am a Desert Storm Veteran serving 15 years in the US Military (Army) with assignments in the USA, Europe, Asia and Southwest Asia. While in the Army, I served as a personnel management specialist, and Rotary Wing maintenance technician. I am currently retired from the work force which gives me ample time to focus on family, faith, and KofC activities.

#### Knight of Columbus Activity

I joined the Order in 2003 with Council 11909 Lawton and within the first year I achieved all the degrees of the Order and the Shining Armor Award. I have held the following positions in Council 11909 as Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, Advocate and Warden. I have been a Faithful Navigator and Faithful Admiral in Assembly 3150, I am a Knights on Bikes member and organized the October 2016 Love Run for The Center of Family Love held in Lawton, OK. I currently hold the position of State Faith Activities Director and District Deputy #9 representing 5 Councils. District 9 has earned Star District 2 years in a row and is poised to earn a 3<sup>rd</sup> award this year.

Activities in the Order that I am or have been involved with include: Oklahoma KofC State Degree Team, Oklahoma KofC State Faith Activities Director, Marion Icon Chairman, and Admission Degree Team member. I have served at numerous Council pancake breakfasts, bingos and community projects.

The Knights of Columbus have been instrumental in helping me grow not only in my faith but also in the Order. I always strive to achieve the best results that can be attained in all I do. Since that little nudge of encouragement from my spouse to join, I have experienced many memorable moments with the Order and in my faith. If I am elected to Office I will continue to uphold the dignity of the Office and fulfill the position to serve you my Brother Knights and the Oklahoma KofC State Council.

This Letter serves as my intent to serve the Oklahoma Knights as a State Officer. Vivat Jesus!

Steven & Rose

Steven E Rose District Deputy #9 State Faith Activities Director Oklahoma KofC State Counci

Worthy State Secretary,

I am formally announcing my intention to run for the office of State Warden this year. I desire to further contribute to the State Council the experiences and skills I have developed in my past seven years as a Knight.

In this time, I have faithfully served at the Council level in the roles of Grand Knight, Deputy Grand Knight, Trustee, and Recorder for Council 6478 in Yukon. I have also served with the State Council as State Webmaster and on the Major Degree Team.

I am currently the District Deputy for District 14, which includes El Reno, Yukon, Mustang, St. Charles Borromeo, and St. James the Greater in Oklahoma City. Additionally, I am in my first year as Faithful Navigator of Archbishop Charles Salatka Assembly 2044. I have also contributed my talents as State Audio/Visual Coordinator for the State Convention since 2012. Finally, I serve as Chancellor in my home council 6478's Admissions Degree Team.

I have been married for three and a half years to my beautiful wife Lakin and am the proud father of my one-year-old daughter Wilsy. I am an Eagle Scout, and I have since served on boards of review for prospective Eagle Scouts. I am employed at Tinker Air Force Base, leading development of support software for the B-2 Spirit Aircraft.

As State Warden, I plan to inspire eagerness in my Brother Knights to step up and grow in leadership in Council, Assembly, and Parish Life. I recognize the experiences, relationships and service opportunities made available to me through the Knights of Columbus have made a great impact on my life, and they are all reflected through me as I believe have become a better Catholic, a better husband, a better father, and ultimately a better man than I would have otherwise been. I strive to help my Brother Knights in their quests as we continue to grow together, and I will work to uphold the integrity of this office that has been exemplified through its current office holder. Therefore, I humbly ask that you prayerfully consider me for the role of State Warden.

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Zachary Kastl District Deputy 14 Faithful Navigator 2044

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### Knights of Columbus

#### Oklahoma State Council (2012 – Present)

- District Deputy 14 (2017 Present)
- State Convention Audio/Visual Coordinator (Tech Man) (2012 Present)
- Member of Formation/Knighthood Ceremonial Team (2012 2014)
- State Webmaster (2012-2013)

#### Council 6478 (2012 - Present)

- Trustee (2017 Present)
- Grand Knight (2015 2017)
- Deputy Grand Knight (2014-2015)
- Recorder (2012-2014)
- 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Ceremonials Team (2012 Present)

#### Assembly 2044 (2012 - Present)

• Faithful Navigator, 2044: (2018-Present)

### St John Nepomuk Parish

- Lector
- Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion
- Former Lead Usher

### Personal

- Eagle Scout, BSA (2005)
- Eagle Board Member, (2012 2016)

### Tinker Air Force Base (2014 – Present)

- MAVRIC Software Section (2017 Present)
  - Lead Developer / Team Lead
    - Lead team in developing software to support B-2 Intelligence Personnel in validating targets
    - Reports to management the status of team and suggests improvements to increase overall performance
    - Scrum-Master
      - Lead team in supporting an agile development environment by converting systems and processes to Dev/Ops
- B-52 Mission Planning
  - Computer Scientist
    - Developed software allowing Air Force Personnel to develop high-quality mission plans and routes for the B-52 Strike Platform





March 26, 2019

Worthy State Deputy and Delegates,

My name is Philip Stramski, and I ask that you please accept this notice as my official letter of intent to add my name to be considered for the State office of Warden during this year's 114<sup>th</sup> Annual Knights of Columbus Convention.

My belief is that any good Knight must recognize the strength given to him by a supportive family; God has blessed me with an incredible family who is committed to supporting me as State Warden. I am married to my amazing wife, Amelia. I'm blessed to be a Step-father to an energetic, seventeen year old son, Matthew. I have learned through my experiences working in the State Family of the Knights of Columbus that as a married man, having the support and assistance of my wife, has proven to be an astounding resource and asset. Watching Amelia's involvement throughout the years has shown me, and I hope others, that not only is she an incredible wife and mother, but also a tremendous partner and teammate. Having this sacramental partnership has not only been a true blessing to me, but I feel that it has benefitted our Order during my time in the State Family. Therefore, it is in the spirit of a solid union, that as I submit this letter of intent it is done with the mindset that by electing me as the next State Warden that I truly believe that WE can together benefit the State of Oklahoma Knights!

As with most Catholic families, our faith is grounded in our parish life. Our family attends St. Teresa of Avila Parish in Harrah, Oklahoma. Our son Matthew is a junior at Harrah High School. Amelia and I together taught High School Religious Education at St. Teresa's right after we got married. I am an Usher, Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, and Amelia and I are both Lectors. I currently serve on the Parish Council. Under the Archdiocese "Go Make Disciples" initiative, I took part in the CCO faith studies. We have both attended Cursillo and we have been blessed to reap the benefits of this program into our spiritual lives.

I am proud to say that I am a lifelong Oklahoman and that my roots in our state run deep. I am a graduate of Mount St. Mary's High School in Oklahoma City, and a proud Veteran of the United States Marine Corps. I have been employed by MidFirst Bank for the last sixteen years, starting out in their Mortgage Division customer service department, but now I currently work in the challenging yet valuable Legal Department. I have worked as an Accounting Clerk for an Oil and Gas Exploration Corporation and served as an Office Manager for a small Telecom Engineering and Construction business. Amelia grew up in Lawton attending Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church. She graduated from Eisenhower High School and earned her Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education from Cameron University. Amelia further pursued and earned her National Board Certification for Professional Teaching. She has been an Elementary Teacher for over twenty years. I am proud to say that she has recently applied to the University of Central Oklahoma to begin her Masters in Administration and Educational Leadership.

One of the many reasons I believe that I would make a worthy State Warden is that the Knights—and specifically the Oklahoma Knights—have been such a formative part of who I am as a man. I am a son of a Charter Member of Our Lady of Fatima Council #5396, so I have been around the Knights of Columbus all of my life, and I considered myself a junior Knight as a kid growing up. I officially became a card carrying member during my senior year of high school. As of this month, I have been an official member of the Knights of Columbus for thirty-three years (33). I have served as various Directors, Chairman, and officer positions at the Council level throughout the years. Once this fraternal year ends, I will have completed my second, three year term as Grand Knight for two different Councils as I am currently the Grand Knight for Father Norbert Lukes Council #4598 in Harrah. I am a fourteen year Fourth Degree Member of the Father Alojzy Walezcek

Assembly #2625. I also served as District Deputy for District #13 for three years. I was elected as State Warden and ran for State Advocate the year that our current worthy State Deputy John Pierce was elected to that office. This loss afforded me the opportunity to step back, and redirect my experience in other areas within the State Family. This time allowed me the opportunity to continue to expand my leadership experience and gain additional knowledge that I may have not gained otherwise. It also allowed me to witness the incredible job that our State Deputy John Pierce and his lovely wife, Cheryl, have provided our State Council. Their teamwork has set the tone, and has provided an example for the rest to follow.

If elected State Warden, I will come into the position with valuable experience at the state level and accomplishments to show during my time in leadership. During my appointment as State Membership Director, I assisted our State Deputy in the membership efforts of the State, which resulted in Oklahoma obtaining not only the prestigious Circle of Honor for 2 years, but also the Pinnacle Award, the highest honor that a State can receive as a result of membership recruitment, during 1 year of my tenure. I have served as the State Church Activities Director, and at the request of our State Deputy, John Pierce, I assumed the role as the State General Program Director. In this position, I feel that I have been able to recruit some very talented and dedicated Brother Knights as we moved forward with the implementation of the new program model, "Faith in Action". As with my time as State Membership Director, my leadership approach and philosophy has been to identify and appoint talented, competent Brother Knights and, after providing my initial vision and direction of how I see the programs move forward under the Supreme guidelines, allow them the flexibility and trust to build their Program under the "Faith in Action" program model. Although this program model is new, the Directors appointed at this time have embraced their position and are serving in a stellar manner.

Serving the Knights and the Church is somewhat of a tradition in the Stramski household. Amelia and I started dating at the time I was appointed State Membership Director. Even though she did not know much about the Knights of Columbus, she advised me she would be supportive of the work I did and whatever roles I chose to pursue. Not only has she been supportive, but she has also taken an active role in attending the majority of the state meetings. Amelia has been eager to provide her services where she could.

Volunteering to do the Lord's work is not new for my wife. She taught Religious Education for five years at Blessed Sacrament and was a Beginning Experience team member for seven years. Amelia is an active member of the Christ the King Catholic Daughters of the Americas (CDA) Court #1586 at St. Teresa's. The KofC State Ladies have a yearly project of sending Valentine cards to all the Seminarians with a little financial token as a symbol of their support at one of the loneliness times of year for our Seminarians. Once Amelia was exposed to this project, she took it back to the Catholic Daughters and they adopted this program and now have joined in the efforts of showing love and support for our Seminarians. She has been involved in many programs and has been instrumental in bringing several successful fundraising opportunities to her CDA Court. This year the Court named Amelia Catholic Daughter of the Year for their Court and she will be recognized along with other Courts at the CDA Convention May 4<sup>th</sup>. Amelia caught on early that the Knights of Columbus State Ladies and their leadership can be an example for others to follow. I see her striving to bring nothing but her best to our State Family!

I believe that the goals Amelia and I have, align perfectly with the direction the current Slate of State Officers are striving to achieve. I am proud of our State Council and the accomplishments of the past several years. As State Warden, I believe I would continue the tradition of excellence for which we have become known. My leadership experience, devotion to the Knights of Columbus, and love for God, the Church, and my family make me a great candidate to be our next State Warden. I humbly ask for the confidence, support, and prayers of my Brother Knights as I seek election to this worthy office.

Philip L. Stramski

Philip Stramski Oklahoma State General Program Director Grand Knight – Council #4598 Harrah



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March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Worthy State Officers:

I have been told every state officer should attend a Supreme Convention prior to becoming a State Deputy. In hopes of one day being elected to the office of State Deputy, this is official notice of my intent to run for delegate to the Supreme Convention in August 2019.

My brother Knights have had the confidence in me to elect me to the offices of Grand Knight for two years, Faithful Admiral for two years, State Warden for two years, and currently, State Advocate for two years. I pray they will have the same confidence to elect me as a Supreme Delegate. Also, be it known that I have been a Knights of Columbus insurance member since 2009.

I have been honored to participate in various capacities at numerous State Conventions here in Oklahoma as well as the Supreme Convention in 2017. I would eagerly accept the opportunity to attend the Supreme Convention as a delegate of the State Council of Oklahoma in 2019.

Fraternally,

Christopher M. Victor Advocate, State Council of Oklahoma





IN SERVICE TO ONE, IN SERVICE TO ALL

March 24, 2019

Worthy State Secretary,

This is my official declaration of intent to run for Delegate to the Supreme Convention to be held in Milwaukee August 2019.

I have been an Insurance Member since 2007 and hope to attend as an official delegate for the Jurisdiction of Oklahoma

Miguel Grijalva

Worthy Supreme Representative, Worthy State Deputy, Worthy State Officers, Worthy Vice Supreme Master, Worthy Past State Deputies, Worthy Former Vice Supreme Masters, Worthy District Deputies, Worthy Delegates, State Council Directors and Chairmen, and Brothers All:

I am writing to request to be nominated for the position of Insurance Delegate to the upcoming 2019 Knights of Columbus Supreme Convention in Minneapolis Minnesota.

I have been a Knight since I was eighteen, so this May will mark my 36th year as a 3rd Degree Knight, as well as my 14<sup>th</sup> year as a 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Knight. Following my father's example, I have been active in the Knights of Columbus all 36 years of Knighthood, holding every local office, as well as district and even state positions. I currently represent our state as the Assistant State Membership Director and Online Chairman for Eastern Oklahoma. I have also held the positions of District Deputy (which included Supreme All Star recognition in 2017), State Retention Chairman, State Silver Rose Chair, State Youth Director, and State Vocations Committee while in the seminary in Minnesota. In addition, I have been involved in ceremonials work all 36 years of Knighthood and I have been on degree teams for the First, Second, and Third Degree in various states. I currently serve as my council's First Degree Captain and I am a Third Degree CO for our State. Finally, over the years I have represented our State through our Order's many programs, such as serving as the March for Life East Liaison, the KofC 40 Days for Life East Chair, and the GO LIFE KofC Liaison on the Annual Gala Committee (a position I held for ten of the twelve years since the GO LIFE Gala started, before resigning after the 2018 gala to focus on State Membership).

If elected by the delegates and members of the Oklahoma State Convention, I would humbly and gratefully represent our State at the Knights of Columbus Supreme Convention in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

VIVAT JESUS!

Fraternally,

Chris King

Asst State Membership Director For Eastern Oklahoma, et al

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