

Dear Worthy State Deputy,

I, Sir Knight Marco Abraham Gonzalez, am writing to submit my name for consideration for the position of State Warden. My commitment to the order has compelled me to be more involved. A position on the State Team would allow me to learn more about the inner workings of the order in Utah. I would gain experience that would allow me to better serve the order in the future. I consider myself a team player who always offers my personal gifts to meet the needs of the order.

My involvement in the order has taken me along various paths. I've worked at the council level for a few years, rising to the office of Chancellor at Council 602, the oldest Council west of the Rockies, and Grand Knight at Council 8350. This experience has helped me navigate logistics, man management, and communication between Knights, the laity, and the clergy. Logistics pertain to the planning, executing, and examining events, projects, and efforts. Man management relates to the leadership, personality management, and human touch needed for the many types of men who need leadership and guidance in their path as Catholic men. Examination refers to assessing the aspects that work or didn't work concerning efforts. Examination requires an open mind, an ability to take criticism, and offer feedback. These are the leadership skills that I've learned at the council level, which I feel would be useful on the State Council. I've been on the Patriotic Degree team for a couple of years, which has helped me immerse myself in the mission of the Knights in the public and civic sphere. Ultimately, I live my life according to the points of the Patriotic Degree exemplification: a Catholic gentleman's approach to civic, religious, and family life. The Patriotic Exemplification has taught me a lot about orderliness, preparation, and performance. Ultimately, the Knights deserve to be represented in a professional, dignified, and orderly manner, which compels the best men among us to answer the call to join our ranks. I would focus my efforts on representing the Knights in such a manner as a state team member

As a member of the McGivney Fellowship, I've recieved training and council on what qualities resemble Christ-centered leadership. Mercy, integrity, and courage are qualities that lift the following of any Christ-centered leader. Through my continued participation in the fellowship, I find myself learning more about how to apply leadership more efficiently and ethically.

I would appreciate the opportunity to prove myself with this role with the state team.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Sir Knight Marco Abraham Gonzalez