




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

Office Sought:		
SECTION A: PERSONAL PROFILE		
1. Full Legal Name: Sharon Mack		
2. Court Name/Number ^A : St. Nicholas Court 403		
3. Membership Date ^B : October 1, 1985		
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? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
5. Are you a citizen of the United States? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
6. Current Address: 17389 462nd Ave. Watertown SD 57201		
7. Marital status: Married	7a. Spouse name: Nicholas J. Mack	
8. Have you ever been separated or divorced? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If "Yes", explain below.		
9. Email: sharon.mack881608@gmail.com		10. Phone: (605) 868-0837
<p>^A According to Section 13 of the <i>Constitution and Bylaws</i>, "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."</p> <p>^B According to Section 13 of the <i>Constitution and Bylaws</i>, "A High Court officer or trustee/director candidate must have been a member in good standing for two full years before nomination."</p>		
SECTION B: EDUCATION, COURT EXPERIENCE		
School Name	City/State	Graduate Degree/Certificate
1. High: Watertown High School	Watertown, SD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Diploma
2. College: Northern State University	Aberdeen, SD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No B.S.
2a. If you received a college education, provide your field of study and major:	Field of study Teaching	Major Elementary Education
3. Other: SDSU, USD, Sioux Falls College		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
4. 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.		
High Court Trustee 2020-2024	Local Court St. Nicholas 403	
SD State Trustee 1996-2000		
SD State Treasurer 2000-2020	Youth Director 1986-2010	Chief Ranger Present

¹Family is defined as parent, child, grandchild, grandparent, sibling, and in-laws of any of the previous individuals.





SECTION C: PROFESSIONAL, OCCUPATIONAL AND BUSINESS AFFILIATIONS

1a. Provide name of your current employer and occupation.

Retired Teacher. Presently subbing at Waverly South Shore School

1b. Provide a brief narrative of your current occupational role and responsibilities.

I retired 5 years ago. However, because of the need for substitute teachers, I have answered the calling for my seventh long term position. I take on full duties of lesson planning, class management and grading.

1c. List your employment history for the last five (5) years.

Listed above.

2. List all current professional, occupational and/or vocational licenses you hold.

SD Department of Education Teaching Certificate
Governor's Technology in Teaching and Learning Certificate
Center for Disabilities Applied Behavior Analysis Certificate
Virtus Safe Environment Training
281,291-FLMI Certificate
302 The Policy Lifecycle: Insurance Administration completed

3. Provide details of any affiliation or association you (or your spouse) have with another insurer or fraternal organization.

My husband and I are supportive to the Knights of Columbus, Catholic United Financial and Thrivent. We are not members. Nick and I will attend, support and sometimes help with these organizations that are in our area. Just like COF events, people helping people should all work for a common good. We invite our fellow Christians back to work with us on FGC events.

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.

See attached page.





SECTION F: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Use this space to provide additional information.

4. After thirty-five years of full time teaching and working with others, my experience has included goal setting each day. I feel I am qualified and desire to continue my service as a trustee on the High Court. During my first term of humbly serving, I've been part of the strategic plan to set the framework for innovating and developing new ideas for the future. It continues to be a work in progress that I have been able to contribute to. I personally wish for growth in my knowledge of insurance. I completed the required LOMA courses and am navigating through more courses.

My role as a youth director for over twenty years explains my enthusiasm, as I work with children and young adults. I was fortunate to serve on the Fraternal Task Force Committee. I enjoy working with the Outreach Team as I assist many of my local high school members to apply for scholarships by doing a variety of FGC events. I am a communicator and I reach out to my members on a personal level so they don't miss the great opportunities provided to our members.

My local court experience as trustee and chief ranger always leads me to be the ring leader in all of our matching fund events. I am a natural planner. I am creative and organized. My leadership qualities allow me to designate the assignments to our great volunteers so we take on many challenges to help the vulnerable. No matter what my title was, I have just always been the one that did the paper work. I always help with the audit for our local court. My role as SD Jurisdiction(State) Treasurer for over twenty years gave me the experience and knowledge with state level operations. I was gratefully able to be a delegate for six conventions.

I have been honored to receive "Female Worker of the Year", "Legion of Merit" and "Legion of Honor" from my local court and "Worker of the Year" award from the State of South Dakota. I received "Teacher of the Month" sponsored by our local newspaper. Upon retirement the high school students dedicated a large banner with my name on it that is on display in the school gymnasium in honor of my dedication to teaching. Last fall I was nominated as a "Home Town Hero" for doing charitable works in my community.

As a farmer's wife, our farm business is an all hands on deck 24/7 operation. We raise cattle and grow corn, beans and hay. Working together with two of my husband's brothers, our two sons, three full time hired employees and many seasonal workers takes TEAMWORK and hard work. I assist with our seed dealership by handling the human relations piece, taking care of customer appreciation events and doing billings. On the farm, my main hat is to keep the men fed, but that takes planning and a labor of love. Other jobs to be determined, depending on the day of course! So one must be very flexible. I understand that a board member needs to be available and I am ready for the commitment.

My faith contributes to who I am. I have been a CCD instructor, Altar Society President, Catholic School's Week Fund Raiser Chair and continuing being an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Eucharist.

If relected, I will use all of my assets to serve the members of the Catholic Order of Foresters to the best of my ability.



SECTION D: GENERAL KNOWLEDGE OF FRATERNAL BENEFIT SYSTEM OPERATIONS

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| 1. Do you possess a general knowledge of the Fraternal Benefit System? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 2. Do you possess a general knowledge of the Order's fraternal workings? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 3. Do you possess a general insurance management knowledge? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 4. Do you possess a general investment management knowledge? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 5. Are you free to travel on the Order's business? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 6. Do you have the time to devote to completing the orientation and educational training as required by the High Court? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> 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? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 8. Do you have a valid Driver's License? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 9. Are you prepared to devote the necessary time to fulfilling your responsibility as a High Court Trustee? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 10. Are you familiar with COF's life insurance and products? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 11. Are you familiar with the core characteristics, key competencies, and desired experiences required by the High Court? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| 12. Do you possess one (1) or more of the characteristics, key competencies, and desired experiences as set forth by the High Court? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |

13. List all characteristics, key competencies, and desired experiences that you possess.

To be successful in any business, you need to be positive and bring shared skills, open minds, diverse thinking and hard work ethics to the table. Day to day experience, makes me confident that my common sense, rational thinking and communication skills will be a key component to work with others. My character is an example of a variety of experiences from working with parents, students and supervisors in the school system to our active growing farm business. There are many moving parts to manage on our farm. Classrooms need good planning and management too. A strategic plan needs to be set to reach the target of desired outcome to be successful. I am compassionate and understanding, and like to look at things objectively through another person's eyes before making decisions that can affect them. I am good at weighing out the options and looking at the pros and cons of a decision.

I've learned much during my first term on the High Court. I feel like I have shared a voice, and in doing so I have put my feet into the shoes of our COF members. I believe my opinions come from the heart and that they have been in the best interest of the organization. Board experience is an added key component for me this election.

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CANDIDATE RESUME

14. Are you familiar with COF's mission? Yes No

15. Do you support COF's mission? Yes No

16. Describe in narrative form how you support COF's mission.

I am very proud to be an instigator of leading so many service projects in my local Court 403, community and parish. Through all my officer roles, I have always been an advocate for our COF mission. Embracing the beauty of each opportunity to help others, is an intentional action performed with God's grace within each of us. Navigating forward, it is more important than ever to demonstrate acts of compassion as an example of Christ in us. I am confident that Catholic Order of Foresters life insurance is the best choice for my family and generations to come. My values are shared with the mission. In my community the name Catholic Order of Foresters is admired and appreciated because we do so much for so many. As a member of, I have peace of mind knowing we share the same Catholic values and I am insured with a solid company. I recently purchased a policy for our first grand child.

Annually in December or January I continue to set up the PACH program with young Catholics taking a turn to prepare over 300 food sacks for needy kids. Each year I participate with my Parish in preparing the Banquet, which is a meal prepared for some of the vulnerable families that lived in our nearby town. I also serve the Banquet each year with my Delta Kappa Gamma organization which is a group of professional women in education. We roughly serve 150 meals on a Monday evening.

My court tries to seek needs and if we don't find an individual to help we donate money to the Salvation Army, the Catholic school, the seminarians or the Bishop's Hospitality House. But we usually do a matching fund and an emergency matching fund both each year because we have the opportunity to help. We come up with different ideas generally. The events take a lot of foot work and planning but in the end there's nothing like giving.

I have done my own FGC projects, but since the fraternal scholarship started, I have enjoyed mentoring young members that I know. It's pretty cool to see that some of them that have won the scholarship previously seem excited to come up with an idea and apply again. Last year my court won the random drawing for having six or more events. We will get our celebration in May. What a better opportunity to have another Feeding God's Children project on party day so I have a cemetery clean up day scheduled. The week after that the Community Blood Bank is coming and that is another new thing we hadn't done in our little town of Kranzburg before. I signed us up for that one. One of the scholarship seekers is doing a Cancer walk. Another one is cleaning up after our Fourth of July parade. I usually start out by contacting the parents and then I connect with the kid that might be qualified to apply for a scholarship. I have said I am a communicator and I am constantly reaching out to our members about different things. I get quite a few phone calls to when people are inquiring about different things so I support the members and the mission.

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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: *Sharon Rae Mack*

Full Legal Signature

Sharon Rae Mack

Date

4/30/24

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 APPROVAL

Signature

Date

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NOMINATION PETITION FOR OFFICE

Please print clearly.

I, Sharon R. Mack, hereby file my nomination petition for the
 Candidate's Full Legal Name
 office of High Court Trustee with the Catholic Order of Foresters.
 Office Name

A copy of my resume is attached.

CANDIDATE CERTIFICATION	
I hereby certify that all information contained in my Candidate Resume and Nomination Petition for Office form is true, complete, and to the best of my knowledge correct.	
Candidate's Full Legal Signature	Date
<i>Sharon R. Mack</i>	4/30/24



Kathleen Turbak
 my commission expires 10/29/2027

