

MEMORANDUM

Date: April 18, 2021

To: Chuck Waid, Chairperson,
MD19 Governance Committee

Brian Morin, MD19 Contests
and Awards Committee

Lyn McPhee, MD19 Contests
and Awards Committee

Melissa Smith, MD19 Contests
and Awards Committee

Al Hedstrom, MD19 Council
Chair

Peter Anderson, MD19 Execu-
tive Director

From: J. D. Nellor, MD19 Immediate
Past Council Chair

Re: Amendment to MD19 Distin-
guished Service Award Rules

I submit for consideration at the next meeting of the MD19 Council of Governors amendment of the rules governing the MD19 Distinguished Service Award.

Exhibit A to this Memorandum is a redline version of the existing rules showing the proposed amendments: additions are underlined in blue type and deletions are stricken and in red type. Exhibit B is the rule if the proposed amendments are adopted. Exhibit C is the existing rule.

The purposes of the proposed amendments are:

1. Having participated in the selection process for the Multiple District 19 Distinguished Service Award more than once, it is apparent that (a) Every nominee I have seen is deserving of the award, (b) Some persons have been nominated more than once, and (c) It has occasionally been a struggle to remind the persons who are eligible to submit nominations for the award to do so. The result is feast or famine: (a) Worthy nominees get passed over because another other equally

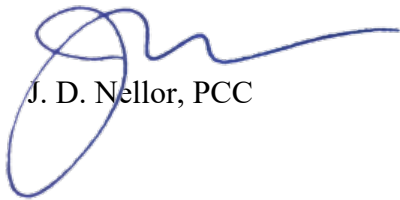
deserving nominee justifiably gets selected for the award, and (b) We may not have any nominees the following year absent a lot of arm-twisting. The substance of the amendment is to allow nominees to be eligible to receive the award for three years following his or her nomination. The proposal also is intended to clarify that nominees are to remain confidential, and that nominees are not disqualified from future nominations if they are not selected during the 3 years a nomination is valid.

2. There are also technical amendments to conform the language of the rule to current LCI terminology (GAT in place of LEMPRR and Club Support Team, for example), to remove the temporal ties to specific dates (make nominations due 90 days before the convention, not “June 30”, for example), and to clean up the mixed use of shorthand (“MD19” or “Multiple District 19”— made all references “Multiple District 19” so all such references are the same).

Thank you for your consideration.

Please let me know if you have questions, need additional information, or need anything further from me on the above proposal.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a large, stylized loop followed by a series of smaller, connected loops and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

J. D. Nellor, PCC

Exhibit A

(Red-line Of Amendments)

MD19 LIONS DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD RULES

The Distinguished Service Award is the highest Award the Multiple District presents to one of its members. It is given for service and activities that are performed on the multiple district level. It shall be given to a Lion who has been a member for ~~seven (7)~~ or more years.

The Multiple District 19 Distinguished Service Award is not in recognition for club, zone or district activities. The Lion nominee must have served on the Multiple District level for at least ~~four (4)~~ years in some capacity that was of benefit to all districts in the multiple district, such as serving as a multiple district committee chairperson, committee member or volunteering at the Multiple District 19 Office.

The Nominations should include the following factors:

1. Effort and accomplishment~~;~~
2. Ideas carried out to completion~~;~~
3. Continued work on behalf of the Multiple District~~;~~ and
4. General Service in behalf of Lionism.

The following persons are not eligible to be nominated or considered for the award:

1. Members of the Multiple District 19 ~~LEMPRR Team (Leadership, Extension, Membership, Public Relations and Retention)~~ leadership, extension, membership, public relations or retention committees or teams are not eligible for consideration while who are serving their three (3) year chairmanship as chairpersons or coordinators of their respective committees or teams.
2. The seated Council Chairperson and Vice Council ~~Chairperson are also excluded during their term of office.~~ and
3. Previous recipients of the award.

Nominations ~~for this award can~~ may be submitted by the following Lions:

1. ~~Any~~ the nine (9) seated District Governors,
2. the The Council Chairperson,
3. the The Multiple District 19 Executive ~~Secretary-Treasurer~~ Director, and
4. the The Multiple District 19 ~~LEMPRR~~ leadership, extension, membership, public relations or retention committees or teams, ~~Team~~ as a group.

The n Nominations must be ~~submitted~~ submitted on ~~the an~~ official ~~MD19 Nomination nomination Form form~~ supplied by the Multiple District 19 o Office.

Nominations must be received by the Multiple District 19 ~~Office-office~~ and the Multiple District 19 Contests and Awards ~~Chairperson-chairperson~~ on or before ~~June 30~~ 90 days

before the commencement of the Multiple District 19 annual convention for the fiscal ~~year~~ of each ~~Lions~~ year in which it is offered.

Any nomination for the award shall be valid for the 3 succeeding Multiple District 19 conventions following said nomination, *provided*, the member is otherwise eligible for the award under the terms and conditions of these rules that were in effect at the time he or she was nominated. Additional nominations of a nominee received within the 3 convention periods during which his or her nomination is valid shall not extend the term the nomination may be considered beyond the 3 Multiple District 19 conventions following the first nomination. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing herein shall be interpreted to limit the number of times a member may be nominated.

~~The A nominations s~~Screening ~~Committee-committee~~ ~~is~~ comprised of the Council Chairperson, the Multiple District 19 ~~Contests-contests~~ and ~~Awards-awards~~ ~~Chairperson~~~~chairperson~~; one seated District Governor who has been selected by the Council Chairperson, the Multiple District 19 Executive ~~Secretary-Treasurer~~~~Director~~, and a representative from the ~~District Support Team~~ Multiple District 19 leadership, extension, membership, public relations and retention committees or teams. The Multiple District 19 ~~Contests-contests~~ and ~~Awards-awards~~ ~~Chairperson~~-chairperson shall serve as the screening committee chairperson, and ~~will~~~~shall~~ set a date, time and location to consider the nominations received. The members of the screening committee shall not disclose, nor cause to be disclosed, the names of nominees. ~~The Screening Committee Meeting will be set after June 30.~~ When the final name has been selected, that name will be kept in confidence until the Council Chairperson announces the honoree at the ~~Fall~~ Multiple District 19 Annual Convention. When the presentation is made, the Council Chairperson will share the achievements of the honoree as found on the nomination form.

Exhibit B

The Amended Rule As Proposed

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The Distinguished Service Award is the highest Award the Multiple District presents to one of its members. It is given for service and activities that are performed on the multiple district level. It shall be given to a Lion who has been a member for 7 or more years.

The Multiple District 19 Distinguished Service Award is not in recognition for club, zone or district activities. The Lion nominee must have served on the Multiple District level for at least 4 years in some capacity that was of benefit to all districts in the multiple district, such as serving as a multiple district committee chairperson, committee member or volunteering at the Multiple District 19 office.

The Nominations should include the following factors:

1. Effort and accomplishment,
2. Ideas carried out to completion,
3. Continued work on behalf of the Multiple District, and
4. General Service in behalf of Lionism.

The following persons are not eligible to be nominated or considered for the award:

1. Members of the Multiple District 19 leadership, extension, membership, public relations or retention committees or teams who are serving as chairpersons or coordinators of their respective committees or teams,
2. The seated Council Chairperson and Vice Council, and
3. Previous recipients of the award.

Nominations may be submitted by the following Lions:

1. Any seated District Governor,
2. The Council Chairperson,
3. The Multiple District 19 Executive Director, and
4. The Multiple District 19 leadership, extension, membership, public relations or retention committees or teams, as a group.

Nominations must be submitted on an official nomination form supplied by the Multiple District 19 office.

Nominations must be received by the Multiple District 19 office and the Multiple District 19 Contests and Awards chairperson on or before 90 days before the commencement of the Multiple District 19 annual convention for the fiscal year in which it is offered.

Any nomination for the award shall be valid for the 3 succeeding Multiple District 19 conventions following said nomination, *provided*, the member is otherwise eligible for

the award under the terms and conditions of these rules that were in effect at the time he or she was nominated. Additional nominations of a nominee received within the 3 convention periods during which his or her nomination is valid shall not extend the term the nomination may be considered beyond the 3 Multiple District 19 conventions following the first nomination. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing herein shall be interpreted to limit the number of times a member may be nominated.

A nominations screening committee comprised of the Council Chairperson, the Multiple District 19 contests and awards chairperson, one seated District Governor who has been selected by the Council Chairperson, the Multiple District 19 Executive Director, and a representative from the Multiple District 19 leadership, extension, membership, public relations and retention committees or teams. The Multiple District 19 contests and awards chairperson shall serve as the screening committee chairperson, and shall set a date, time and location to consider the nominations received. The members of the screening committee shall not disclose, nor cause to be disclosed, the names of nominees. When the final name has been selected, that name will be kept in confidence until the Council Chairperson announces the honoree at the Multiple District 19 Annual Convention. When the presentation is made, the Council Chairperson will share the achievements of the honoree as found on the nomination form.

Exhibit C

The Current Rule

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The Multiple District 19 Distinguished Service Award is not in recognition for club, zone or district activities. The Lion nominee must have served on the Multiple District level for at least four (4) years in some capacity that was of benefit to all districts in the multiple district, such as serving as a multiple district committee chairperson, committee member or volunteering at the MD19 Office.

The Nominations should include the following factors:

1. Effort and accomplishment;
2. Ideas carried out to completion;
3. Continued work on behalf of the Multiple District; and
4. General Service in behalf of Lionism.

Members of the Multiple District LEMPRR Team (Leadership, Extension, Membership, Public Relations and Retention) are not eligible for consideration while serving their three (3) year chairmanship. The Council Chairperson and Vice Council Chairperson are also excluded during their term of office.

Nominations for this award can be submitted by the following Lions: the nine (9) seated District Governors, the Council Chairperson, the MD19 Executive Secretary-Treasurer and the Multiple District 19 LEMPRR Team as a group. The nomination must be submitted on the official MD19 Nomination Form supplied by the MD19 Office. Nominations must be received by the Multiple District 19 Office and the MD19 Contests and Awards Chairperson on or before June 30, of each Lions year.

The Screening Committee is comprised of the Council Chairperson, the MD19 Contests and Awards Chairperson; one seated District Governor who has been selected by the Council Chairperson, the MD19 Executive Secretary-Treasurer, and a representative from the District Support Team. The MD19 Contests and Awards Chairperson will set a date, time and location to consider the nominations received. The Screening Committee Meeting will be set after June 30. When the final name has been selected, that name will be kept in confidence until the Council Chairperson announces the honoree at the Fall Annual Convention. When the presentation is made, the Council Chairperson will share the achievements of the honoree as found on the nomination form.