**Golden Eagles Membership Nomination** Date:

*(Red italicized text throughout this form is included for your assistance and guidance. All italicized text in red, including this line,* ***should be deleted from the final nomination form****.*

Sponsor: Mobile:

Email:

Co-Sponsor: Mobile:

Email:

Nominee Information: *(Sponsor may request personal data, flight hours, combat tours, commands, and awards from the nominee. You may want to request a “Brief Summary of Qualifications” in the four categories listed, but you must re-write these in your own words. A duplicated input from the nominee makes the nomination difficult to fairly judge).*

Rank/Name: Spouse’s Name:

Date of Birth: Naval Aviator Date:

Active/Retired Status: Active Duty Dates:

Address:

Mobile Phone: Email:

Total Flight Hours: Military Flight Hours:

Carrier/Ship Landings: Fixed: Rotary:

Flight Hours: Jet: VF/VA: VR/VP: VS:

Helo: Prop:

*(Include hours and type flying as applicable, then delete other categories)*

Total number of different type aircraft flown:

Flight Hours by Type: F-18: F-14: H-46: H-3: AH-1:

*(Change type to include 2-5 aircraft in which the nominee has the most hours, then delete others)*

Combat Tours: (Dates, Places, Total Combat Missions): (*Delete example below)*

*Jan 91 – Feb 91 Gulf War/Iraq 22*

Aviation Commands Held/Dates: *(Delete examples below)*

Jun 94 – Nov 95 Commanding Officer VMFA-333

Aug 98- Jan 00 Commanding Officer MAG-31

Combat/Other Flight Performance Awards: *(Delete examples below)*

*Air Medal with Combat V - 2*

*Navy Commendation with Combat V - 2*

Summary of Qualifications for Membership in The Golden Eagles:

*Red italicized text throughout this form is included for your assistance and guidance. All red italicized text and underlines for names/dates should be deleted from the final nomination form. You may request a bullet item summary of qualifications from the nominee along with the personal data and chronology if desired, but you should personally edit the summary so that it is your words. You may choose to eliminate the summary from the final nomination if supporting text is provided instead.*

*As applicable, include such things as: Medal of Honor or Silver Star, RDT&E experience, space exploration, aviation flying record, combat rescue, aerial victory, or other outstanding aviation accomplishment. Please be brief and factual in this summary, but include enough information so that an MSC Member, who does not know the nominee personally, will be able to make a fair and informed judgment. A priority list of accomplishments should include, but is not limited to:*

1. Individual flying skills: *First-hand knowledge of superior airmanship is preferred. Some examples are: Weapons School Instructor, Blue Angel, Astronaut, Test Pilot, “Top-Hook,” Inter-service or Foreign-exchange, Combat Experience, setting an aviation flying record.*
2. Aviation Leadership and Qualifications*: In the air, from Strike Leader or Tactics Instructor through Air Wing/Carrier or higher designations and command.*
3. Innovative aviation accomplishments: *New programs, ideas and/or implementations.* ***What impact did this individual’s actions have on Naval Aviation?***
4. Other: *As you feel appropriate but stay on the theme of aviation.*

I hereby nominate \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for Membership in The Early and Pioneer Naval Aviators Association-The Golden Eagles:

(*Write a short endorsement of the nominee, clearly and succinctly describing your first-hand experience or knowledge of the nominee’s flying skills, as well as the leadership and innovative aviation accomplishments that qualify him/her to be a Golden Eagle).*

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Golden Eagle Sponsor Date

I hereby second the nomination of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for

Membership in The Early and Pioneer Naval Aviators Association-The Golden Eagles:

(*Write a short endorsement of the nominee, clearly and succinctly describing your first-hand experience or knowledge of the nominee’s flying skills, as well as the leadership and innovative aviation accomplishments that qualify him/her to be a Golden Eagle).*

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Golden Eagle Co-Sponsor Date

*Delete the following Checklist before your submission.*

**GOLDEN EAGLE’s NOMINATION CHECKLIST** 1 May 2023

**1. Sponsor/Co-Sponsor nomination eligibility (Bylaws Art VIII, Sect. 1)**

* Two years as a Regular Member, (Co-Sponsor 1 year) and have attended one Reunion.
* Limit Two (2) Nominations per year as Sponsor (no limit on Co-Sponsor).
* Emeritus Members are not eligible to submit a nomination.

**2. Review Qualifications Necessary to be Golden Eagle (Bylaws Art II, Sect 1.a)**

* Current qualifications, are particularly applicable in current time frame (Art II, Sect 1.a.2)
* Emphasis on cockpit performance, superior flying skills, and dedication to flying.

**3. Nomination is made by the Sponsor, and is NOT an Application by Nominee**

* The **Sponsor** obtains the information and writes the nomination.
* Sponsor may request personal data, flight hours, combat tours, commands, and awards from the nominee.
* Sponsor may request a bullet list of Individual Flying Skills, Aviation Leadership, and Innovative Aviation Accomplishments from the nominee if desired**. Sponsor should edit the list into their own words and delete his/her input entirely from the final nomination**.
* Lengthy Bios, commendatory letters, etc., are unnecessary.

**4. Nomination Form Format**

* Word processing of an electronic version of the Nom Form is encouraged.
* Use as much space as needed in each section, but maintain the format.

**5. Brief Summary of Qualifications for Membership Section**

* Brief, factual, understandable comments.
* Bullet style or prose: whatever suits you is acceptable.
* Submit via email, attaching the nomination as a Word document.

**6. MSC Members Need a “word picture” of the nominee**

* Keep in mind, that MSC members may not know nominee.
* Need personal characteristics to make an informed judgment.
* Write the nomination as you would like to read it if you were on the MSC.

**7. Sponsor Nominations and Co-Sponsor Endorsements**

* It’s what you write, not who you are.
* Write solid, meaningful comments on aeronautical ability and accomplishments.

**8. Review of Nomination**

* Review your nomination over a few days and make improvements and corrections.
* It takes time, but a well thought out, well written nomination is worth the extra effort.

**9. Assistance/questions**

* I am available to answer questions or assist with the nominations.
* Nomination Forms are available from me or from the Golden Eagles website.

**10. Nomination Submission**

* Submit your nomination to the MSC Secretary, before the date that will be published yearly. After that date, the nomination goes into next year’s register.
* E-mail submissions are encouraged. I will send a confirmation receipt.

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