

## The Golden Eagles Membership Nomination Form

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Co-Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

To: Chairman, Golden Eagles Membership Selection Committee (MSC)

Nominee Name/Rank: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of NA Designation: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee Status, Active/Retired: \_\_\_\_\_ Dates of Active Duty: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Flight Hours: \_\_\_\_\_ Carrier/Ship Landings: Fixed: \_\_\_\_\_ Rotary: \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate Flight Hours: Jet: \_\_\_\_\_ Prop: \_\_\_\_\_ VF/VA: \_\_\_\_\_ VR/VP: \_\_\_\_\_

VS: \_\_\_\_\_ VU/VFP: \_\_\_\_\_ VT: \_\_\_\_\_ HELO: \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Combat Tours: Dates – Places – Total Combat Missions:

Aviation Commands Held/Dates:

Combat/Other Flight Performance Awards:

Brief Qualifications for Membership in The Golden Eagles

If appropriate, include such things as: Early Jet Pilot –Aviation world records – RDT&E experience – Space exploration experience – Ace/other outstanding combat accomplishment - additional significant/outstanding aviation accomplishments.

Please be brief and factual in this summary, but do include enough information so that a Selection Committee Member, who does not know the nominee personally, will be able to make a fair and informed judgment.

A priority list of accomplishments might include, but is certainly not limited to:

1. Individual flying skills. First-hand knowledge of superior airmanship *in the cockpit* is preferred. Some examples are combat flying skills, Air Wing Top Hook awards, test pilot experience, blue angel membership, setting/holding of aviation flying records, other flying service exchange performance (US or foreign).
2. Leadership skills in aviation accomplishments. In the air, from section through air wing/Carrier command level evidence. Innovative aviation accomplishments (new ideas and/or implementations).
3. Other, as you feel appropriate, but stay on the theme of aviation.

My association with the nominee was/is:

I hereby second the nomination of \_\_\_\_\_  
Golden Eagle Sponsor \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ for  
Membership in The Early and Pioneer Naval Aviators Association (Comments):

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\_\_\_\_\_  
Golden Eagle Co-Sponsor \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**GOLDEN EAGLES  
NOMINATION CHECKLIST**

- 1. Sponsor/Co-Sponsor nomination eligibility (Bylaws Art II, Para 5)**
  - Two years as a Regular Member, and have attended one Reunion.
  - Limit Two (2) Nominations per year as Sponsor and/or Co-Sponsor.
  - Emeritus Members are not eligible to submit a nomination.
  
- 2. Review Qualifications Necessary to be Golden Eagle (Bylaws Art II, Para 1 and Art IV, Para 2)**
  - Art II, Para 1.e. particularly applicable in current time frame.
  - Emphasis on cockpit performance. (Bylaws Art IV, Para 2).
  
- 3. Nomination is NOT an Application by Nominee (Bylaws Art VII, Para 3)**
  - The **Sponsor** obtains the information and writes the nomination.
  - Lengthy Bios, commendatory letters, etc., are unnecessary.
  
- 4. Nomination Form Format**
  - Word processing of an electronic version of the Nom Form is encouraged and will simplify your task.
  - Use as much space as needed in each section, but maintain the format.
  - Prepare the nomination single sided, i.e., print on only one side of each page.
  
- 5. Brief Summary of Qualifications for Membership Section**
  - Brief, factual, understandable comments.
  - Bullet style, prose – whatever suits you is acceptable.
  - Typed (preferable) or “clearly and legibly” hand written.
  - If submitting via email, an attachment in Word or pdf format is necessary.
  
- 6. MSC Members Need “word picture” of nominee**
  - Keep in mind, that MSC members may not know nominee.
  - Need personal characteristics to make informed judgment.
  - Write as you would like to read if you were on the MSC.
  
- 7. Sponsor/Co-Sponsor Endorsements**
  - It’s what you write, not who you are.
  - Support your nominee with solid, meaningful comments on aeronautical ability and accomplishments.

**7. Review of Nomination**

- Recommend not submitting the nomination immediately upon completion. Carefully review your nomination the following day and make any necessary corrections.
- It takes time, but a well thought out, well prepared nomination is worth the extra effort.

**8. Assistance/questions**

- I am available to assist.
- Nomination Forms are available from me by request, or may be obtained from the Golden Eagles website. The form will be provided along with a copy of these notes.

**9. Nomination Submission**

- Submit your nomination to the MSC Secretary, NLT 1 March of the selection Year you want your nominee considered. After 1 March, the nomination goes in the next year's Register.
- E-mail submissions are encouraged. You may consider your nomination accepted AFTER you receive my confirmation of receipt.

LtCol Howard DeCastro, USMC (Ret)  
MSC Secretary.

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