



District Leader

Biographical Information

Candidate's Name: LAVERN WJ BENTZ

Candidate's Office: AREA 21 DIRECTOR District Number: 7

Toastmasters member since: APRIL 2022

Education: BACHELOR OF SCIENCE BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION 3.90GPA

Toastmasters offices held and terms of service:
AREA 21 DIRECTOR - JULY 23 - PRESENT
SERGEANT AT ARMS - JULY 23 - PRESENT
VP-E JULY 23 - PRESENT

Toastmasters honors and recognition:
TRIPLE CROWN AWARD
ELECTED AREA DIRECTOR
DISTRICT CLUB RETENTION COMMITTEE

Relevant work experience and how it relates to Toastmasters and your role as a ^{DIVISION} District Leader:
CURRENTLY OWN 2 BUSINESS IN CUSTOMER-SERVICE INDUSTRY, DAILY INTERACTION WITH CLIENTS.

What experience do you have in strategic planning?
RETIRED MILITARY, INDUCTED INTO THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF LEADERSHIP AND SUCCESS (NSLS) THROUGH COLUMBIA TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY UNIVERSITY.

What experience do you have in the area of finance?

What experience do you have in developing procedures?

BEING AN ENTREPRENEUR, I HAVE LEARNED HOW TO DEVELOP SUCCESSFUL BUSINESS PROCEDURES BEFORE, DURING AND AFTER THE PANDEMIC TO BE ABLE TO START AND SUCCESSFULLY RUN 2 BUSINESSES.

What lessons did you learn from previous leadership positions?

I LEARNED THAT TO BE A GOOD LEADER, YOU HAVE TO BE FLEXIBLE IN THE STYLE NEEDED FOR THE SITUATION AT HAND. I ALSO LEARNED HOW TO LISTEN TO THE CLIENT AND TEAM MEMBERS, ENCOURAGING NEW IDEAS

Why do you want to serve as a ^{DIVISION} District leader?

I FEEL MY AMBITION TO SUCCEED IS MY BEST ATTRIBUTE. MY ENERGY AND ENTHUSIASM ABOUT TOASTMASTERS SHOWS WHEN VISIT CLUBS FOR THE DISTRICT CLUB RETENTION ROLE.

In your opinion, what are the District mission's major objectives and how would you work to achieve them?

THE DISTRICT MISSION IS TO SUPPORT EXISTING CLUBS AND FIND WAYS TO ENCOURAGE NEW CLUBS TO BE FORMED.

Additional information about yourself:

WHO'S WHO IN AMERICA (2021) ALBERT NELSON MARQUIS LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD (2022) NOTARIAL EXCELLENCE AWARD (2022) NATIONAL VETERANS BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL (2022) U.S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE (2022) NATIONAL SOCIETY OF LEADERSHIP AND SUCCESS (2023)