



CFA Director at Large Candidate

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It has been a great pleasure to have been an exhibitor, breed council member, allbreed judge, a breed council secretary, Chair of the ID committee, and past member of the CFA Board of Directors since I became an active supporter of the Cat Fancy. I have had the pleasure and honor to serve the CFA clubs as a CFA Director at Large starting in 2001 for 12 of those years. Serving the CFA clubs as an elected Director at Large was a rewarding experience for me. I am submitting my name for the 2019-2021 term of CFA Director at Large. I am asking for your club's vote for this term of office.

My past voting record as a CFA Director-At-Large has become a part of the CFA records, and while the votes I have cast have not always been the path the Board has taken, I have had solid rationales for my votes, and have always stated my rationales for the record.

My judging career in CFA began in 1996. Being an ambassador for CFA has been an honor for me as a licensed CFA Allbreed judge. I have judged at many International Division shows, and have participated as a guest judge for many of the CCC of A and ACF shows in Australia. Additionally, I have guest judged at FIFe shows in the past. In April 2017, CFA was the host organization for the World Cat Congress meeting. Along with other Las Vegas CC members, I served on the entertainment committee for that event. I believe it is important for our CFA Board members to have a wide and varied knowledge of our competing cat registering bodies.

Our organization is currently expanding in China. With that new growth we have seen and experienced some growing pains. As a judge, I have seen some of the problems firsthand that the clubs are experiencing in China. It is my belief that with the proper guidance, many of the issues facing CFA in China can be resolved. The CFA Board has a responsibility to those clubs and must adjust to the changing rules and regulations imposed by the China government on organizations doing business there. I will participate in discussions and give constructive suggestions to advance CFA activities in China, as well as other areas of the International Division.

It is the responsibility of the CFA clubs to elect candidates to the CFA Board of Directors who will commit to maintaining, strengthening and expanding our goal to promote the recognized CFA cat breeds domestically, as well as internationally. CFA is the World's largest cat registry. We have a responsibility to protect that reputation by maintaining our world renowned registry through the rules that govern our Organization and make appropriate modifications to those rules to meet the growing needs of our Registry.

Thank you in advance for your support. Please feel free to call, or email, with any questions.

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