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Marines, after much thought and careful consideration, I am seeking the position of National Junior Vice Commandant of the Marine Corps League.

This decision is based on nothing more than a desire to make the League a stronger, growing organization! The pool of membership candidates that we have drawn from in the recent years, Vietnam-era Marines and FMF Corpsmen, is becoming harder to reach; it is therefore incumbent upon us to design new and positive recruiting methods.

My background is in marketing and logistics. I believe both skill sets are needed to design a new plan to recruit the veterans of today's conflicts.

I am retired with time to devote to this job. My military background is four years and six months in the Corps, medically retired due to a back injury. My active duty included two tours in Vietnam, MCS Quantico VA, Marine Barracks, NAS Jacksonville FL and Camp LeJeune NC.

My MCL background is as follows:

- 2004 Joined
- June 2005 - Dec. 2008 Commandant, Middle GA Det. 970
- 2005 - 2007 Judge Advocate, Jr. Vice, and Sr. Vice, Department of GA
- May, 2007 - May, 2009 Commandant, Department of GA
- May, 2011 - May, 2013 Commandant, Department of GA
- August, 2014 to present National Vice Commandant Southeast Division
- February 2011 to present Chairman, National MCL Homeless Veterans Committee

This is what the Department accomplished from the beginning to the end of my two tours as Department Commandant:

| | 30 JUNE 2007 | 30 JUNE 2013 | Growth | % Growth |
|--------------------|--------------|--------------|--------|----------|
| Total Paid Members | 787 | 1,399 | 612 | 77.8% |
| No. of Detachments | 15 | 27 | 12 | 80.0% |

I did not do this by myself. I gathered Marines and Corpsmen with ideas and experience in connecting with their fellow veterans, we developed plans, I turned them loose to perform, and we adjusted the plan as better ideas became evident. This is what OUR Marine Corps League needs today! WE MUST GROW or the League will wither away.

I am willing to devote whatever time is necessary to make the League a growing and dynamic organization! I therefore humbly ask for your consideration and your vote to serve as your next National Junior Vice Commandant.

Semper Fidelis,
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