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**CIRCULAR**

**To:** DISTRICT GRAND MASTERS  
**Date:** 17<sup>th</sup> January 2025  
**Subject:** 2025-004 NOMINATION FOR THE OFFICE OF GRAND MASTER  
2025-2028

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Brethren

Under Rule 156 Book of Constitution nominations are now called for the 'Office of Grand Master' 2025-2028.

A District Grand Master is to convene a meeting of Lodges within their District to discuss the process and the method of a single District Nomination to be made for the 'Office of Grand Master'. Advice on this process is attached for your information.

Also enclosed is a Nomination Form for use by your District should it wish to make a nomination.

You are reminded in accordance with Rule 156a. that the envelope containing the nomination form must be marked 'Confidential', for the attention of the Grand Secretary, using the usual National Office postal address (P O Box Number). Such nomination must be emailed, couriered or posted for delivery to the Grand Secretary, **not than 5 pm Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2025.**

In addition to the brief personal information requested on the nomination form. Please ensure that a separate comprehensive CV is attached to help the Panel appointed in its deliberations and the interview process.

**Separately, Lodge Secretaries please ensure this Circular is forwarded to all your members.**

Thanks.

Yours fraternally,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "D Williams".

RW Bro Duane Williams PGW  
Grand Secretary

**Attached are Instructions for District Grand Masters and District Nomination form.**

**Copy:** ALL LODGE SECRETARIES  
DIVISIONAL GRAND MASTERS  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS



## **DISTRICT NOMINATION FOR GRAND MASTER**

### **Information for District Grand Masters**

In accordance with Rule 156, a process needs to be undertaken to allow a District to reach a consensus on making an appropriate nomination.

District Grand Masters are to coordinate the nomination from their District for the position of Grand Master. This should be done by holding a District meeting with Lodge representatives at which any suggested nomination can be discussed and voted on. If necessary, a secret ballot may be held.

The District Nomination must be with the Grand Secretary by 5 pm, Friday 28th March 2025. Late nominations will not be accepted.

Before this, District Grand Masters may hold a District meeting to discuss the merits of 'all known' applicants. Each applicant will have supplied a CV for consideration; these CVs should be made available to all of the Lodge Brethren at the meeting to make an informed recommendation.

The District may nominate one of the applicants as their preference and may make comments about the other applicants; however, Districts need to be aware that they do not have the power of veto. Therefore, they may not disregard any application. All applications should be forwarded to the Grand Secretary, including the preferred nomination.

The Grand Secretary is available to assist you with any questions or issues.

*Note: The Grand Secretary may need to assist Districts by making available the Masonic record of those Brethren who have made themselves available for selection before the District meeting.*



# The Grand Lodge of New Zealand

## District Nomination for Office of Grand Master

### IMPORTANT: RULES FOR COMPLETION

- Once completed and signed - this form MUST be received by the Grand Secretary no later than 5 pm 28th March 2025.\*
- A District may nominate one candidate.
- Please mark the envelope or email subject field "Confidential" attention Grand Secretary.
- The nominee must attach a copy of their full C.V. alongside their declaration.
- This form can be filled out and sent back digitally or printed out and sent in via the post.

### Nominee's Details

Surname: \_\_\_\_\_ Other names in full: \_\_\_\_\_

Lodge Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Lodge Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and number of the district making this nomination:  
\_\_\_\_\_

The above nominee is a candidate for GRAND MASTER for 2025-2028.

I hereby declare that I have consulted with the lodges in my district and that this nomination has the support and approval from the majority of those lodges.

Signed:

District Grand Master: \_\_\_\_\_

Witnessed:

Worshipful Master Lodge: \_\_\_\_\_

### Nominee Declaration

Print Full Name\*: \_\_\_\_\_ ID No: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile no: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Landline No: \_\_\_\_\_

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Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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I hereby consent to the above nomination

Signed:

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

\*See Rule 156, Book of Constitution.

\*Print full names and surnames, including any middle names.