



**Sons of the American Legion Squadron 145**

Sullivan County  
515 Marion Ave.  
Bristol, TN 37620

**Subject:** Resolution for 1<sup>st</sup> District SAL Commander

**By:** Richard Del Conte

**Date:** 20 December 2023

**To:** American Legion Department of Tennessee

**ATTN:** Department Commander Lanny Culver, Department Senior Vice Commander John Davis, East TN Vice Commander Todd McKinley, Department Adjutant Dean Tuttle, 1<sup>st</sup> District Commander James McLaughlin, Detachment of Tennessee Adjutant Bryan Hine

**WHEREAS** It is with pride that Roger Powell, Commander of Squadron 145, Bristol, Tennessee and Richard Minnick, Adjutant of Squadron 145, Bristol, Tennessee, endorse and support Squadron 145 SAL Richard Del Conte for the office of 1<sup>st</sup> District SAL Commander, Department of Tennessee, and

**WHEREAS** Richard earned his eligibility for membership in the Sons of the American Legion through both his parents serving in the Navy and

**WHEREAS** Richard has served with Squadron 145 since 2022, and

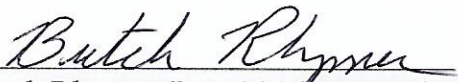
**WHEREAS** Richard earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Astronomy from Villanova University, his Master of Science degree in Education from the State University of New York at Brockport in 1992 and is currently continuing his education at Eastern Tennessee State University working towards a Bachelor of Science degree in Geosciences, and

**WHEREAS** Richard has completed the American Legion Basic Training course in person at American Legion Post 104, Sevierville, TN in April 2023, and

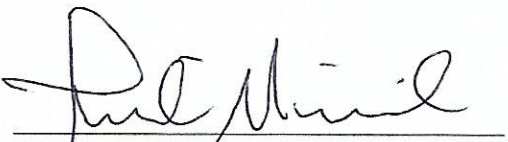
**WHEREAS** Richard is a very active member of Squadron 145, with working extensively in SAL fundraising activities, volunteering with American Legion 2<sup>nd</sup> Harvest to help feed families of local Bristol veterans, volunteering to help Post 145 host the 2023 Legacy Run in Bristol as well as attending other Post 145 activities. Richard has also attended a number of District 1 Commander meetings, attended Tennessee's Mid-Winter Conference and the American Legion Conventions in 2023, attending the SAL meetings and volunteering to help staff the Children and Youth table at both and attended the 2023 Nation Convention in Charlotte, NC, and

**RESOLVED:** The Officers and Members of Squadron 145 Bristol, Tennessee do hereby nominate, endorse, and fully recommend to the Legionnaires of Tennessee, Richard Del Conte as a candidate for the office of 1<sup>st</sup> District SAL Commander, Department of Tennessee.

**ATTEST:**

  
Butch Rhymer, Post 145 Commander

  
Bud Davis, Post 145 Adjutant

  
Rick Minnick, Squadron 145 Adjutant

  
Richard Del Conte