

## Sample Race Official Emeritus Nomination

*(Please use this format when submitting your nomination via the online application form)*

This nomination for a fictional race official is intended as an example only.

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Type of Emeritus Designation Proposed (please choose one):

**Judge Emeritus**

Year of initial certification: **1986**

Year of retirement: **2012**

Certifications and dates held: **Judge – 1986-1988**  
**Senior (later National) Judge – 1988-2012**  
**Advanced Judge Instructor – 1992-2009**

Other Positions at US Sailing and dates held:

**Area X RAJ – 2001-2007**  
**Editor of US Sailing Judges Manual – 2005-2008**  
**Member, Championships Committee – 2008-2010**

Local, regional or national positions or responsibilities held (e.g. Association Appeals Committee, education programs, club, class or RSA leadership positions):

**Member, XYZ YRA Appeals Committee – 1995-2000**  
**XYZ YRA Commodore – 2002-2003**  
**Taught 15 US Sailing Judge seminars – 1992-2006**  
**Race Management Chair, XYZ YRA – 2003-2008**

Other exceptional contributions to sailors and sailing, above and beyond the scope of routine service:

**Chief Judge, US Youth Championship, 1998 and 2001**  
**Chief Judge, US Multihull Championship, 2004**  
**Served on as many as 30 PCs a year nationally**  
**Served on the Race Committee at 1996 Olympics**

Please describe why the nominee deserves special recognition as a race official emeritus:

**\*\*Name\*\* has dedicated tremendous energy and time to serving her racing peers as a judge, race manager and instructor for over 25 years. She has mentored scores of aspiring judges and race officers, taught well over a hundred students the basics**

**of judging in US Sailing seminars, and led racers and officials alike with her extensive knowledge, calm and friendly demeanor and sensible, no-nonsense approach to delivering justice on and off the race course.**

Suggested draft citation for the letter from US Sailing (maximum 150 words):

**\*\*Name\*\*, your service to racing sailors and to US Sailing has been exceptional. You have been a leader in the regional and national Race Management community for over 25 years. You served as the Area X Regional Area Judge, during which time you painstakingly rewrote the Judges' Manual. You have not only supported racing as a national certified judge, you sought to bring to our sport new judges while helping existing judges to maintain a high level of expertise through the numerous seminars and programs that you have initiated and participated in. Scores of judges and race managers have been privileged to learn from you, and they are better race officials because of it.**

Suggested language for the Emeritus Certificate from US Sailing (maximum 40 words):

**In recognition of your leadership, wisdom, devotion to our sport and standards of excellence, which have significantly contributed to the development of our sailors both as judges and racers, US Sailing is honored to confer upon you the lifetime designation of Judge Emeritus.**