

NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS FOR THE 2023-2025 BIENNIUM

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A Certified Public Accountant, Maria retired in 2019 and has been active in her local League around a number of issues she finds important. Maria has primarily worked with corporations, most recently with Wipfli, LLP in Lincolnshire, IL. She also has some experience with not-for-profit businesses. used her professional expertise to help guide the organization's continued accounting & bookkeeping adjustments. She played a key role in advising the transfer of the LWV of Illinois' accounting function to a professional firm, improving functionality and reducing the League's expenses. Maria has two grown daughters. She and her husband live in Deerfield and she enjoys playing pickleball, biking, bridge, mah-jongg and traveling.

WHY I WANT TO SERVE ON THE LWVIL BOARD

I am thankful for the opportunity to join the LWVIL board and look forward to sharing my experience and knowledge on the state level in order to further the mission work of all Illinois Leagues.

WHAT I HOPE TO ACCOMPLISH AS AN LWVIL BOARD MEMBER

In the time since I joined the Board during the last biennium, we have made huge improvements in our accounting systems, bringing our organization into alignment with industry best practices. I would like to continue helping to refine what we have put in place, so that the financial records for each of our two organizations are cleanly delineated. This will help us provide the best support possible for our local Leagues in a fiscally responsible and sustainable way. I think it will make the LWV Structural Transformation go more smoothly, and I hope to continue laying the foundation for that transition.