

IRMO FIRE DISTRICT

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July 5, 2020

To: Executive Committee
South Carolina State Firefighters' Association
Through: Executive Director Charlie King
111 West Park Boulevard
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Re: Letter of Intent

Dear Executive Committee, Executive Director King, and Association Members:

Please accept this letter as my formal intent to announce my candidacy for 4th Vice President of the South Carolina State Fire Fighters' Association in 2021. I have had the honor and privilege to serve alongside many great members of the South Carolina Fire Service throughout my career, and now I desire to serve those members directly through the position of 4th Vice President.

In 2003, at the age of nineteen, I began as a volunteer firefighter with the Lexington County Fire Service. During my time as a volunteer, I made the decision that serving my community and fellow citizens through the fire service would be my chosen profession. I began my career as a firefighter with the Lexington County Fire Service in 2004, and then in 2007 accepted a position as a firefighter with the Irmo Fire District. Throughout my career I have held various positions of increasing responsibility with the IFD, rising to the rank of Battalion Chief. I have also served part time as an instructor with the LCFS Training Division.

I hold an Associate's of Marketing Degree from Midlands Technical College, and I am nearing completion of a Bachelor of General Studies of Fire and Life Safety with a Minor in Fire Protection Administration. Additionally, I completed the SCSFA Leadership Institute in 2012. In 2016 I began serving on the SCSFA Finance and Audit committee, a position which I currently hold.

I am a staunch proponent of improving the South Carolina Fire Service through promoting and instilling a culture of safety, continued training, and higher education for our members. I believe that I am representative of this culture by my willingness to exemplify these values in my professional duties at the IFD as well as in the performance of my duties at the SCSFA, and as the Association 4th Vice President I will strive to identify ways to help and improve the foundation that has been laid by my predecessors.

The opportunity to serve others has truly been a blessing in my life. The relationships and friendships that I have made over my time in the fire service are irreplaceable, as well as are the knowledge and experiences that came with my career. I would love nothing more than to continue serve others as the 4th Vice President, and to work alongside you all in service to our great members.

Respectfully,



Randy Arant, Battalion Chief

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