

Marshall LaBree American Legion Post 304

41 NE 1st Court, Dania Beach, FL 33004

September 13, 2025

American Legion, Department of Florida Attn: Department Adjutant Bruce Comer:

At the regularly scheduled September 13, 2025 General Membership Meeting of Marshall LaBree American Legion Post 304 in Dania Beach Florida, the General Membership assembled and voted unanimously to endorse George 'Geo' Bograkos, PUFL Member #100919392, as a candidate for the High Office of Southern Area Commander, Department of Florida for the 2026-2027 administrative year.

Geo earned his eligibility for membership in the American Legion by enlisting in the U.S. Army in March 1967. After serving a year in Germany, Geo requested a transfer to Vietnam and was deployed there in March 1969. There, he served with the 1st Aviation Battalion, 128th Assault Helicopter Company in Phu Loi, Vietnam. Geo managed the flight operations center and saw aerial combat as a UH-1D "Huey" helicopter door gunner. He was awarded an Air Crewmans Badge as well as 4 Air Medals for heroism and meritorious achievement while participating in combat aerial flight.

Geo has been a proud PUFL member of the American Legion for 41 years and is currently serving as Department of Florida, Southern Area Commander for the 2025-2026 administration year. Prior to this Geo served two distinguished terms as District 9 Commander from 2021-2023. Prior to serving as District Commander, Geo served 3 years as District 9 Adjutant from 2018-2021. Geo is well versed in Department, Area, District and Post level responsibilities and protocol.

During 21 of his 41 years of continuous membership, Geo has served in numerous leadership capacities, including Department Convention and Fall Conference Instructor, Area Commander, District Commander, interim Post Commander, 1st Vice Commander, 2nd Vice Commander, Adjutant, Executive Committee Member and Judge Advocate. Geo has also chaired or served on numerous Department, District and Post Committees.

Geo has furthered his personal knowledge pertaining to The American Legion and its multitude of programs by successfully completing the American Legion Extension Institute in 2019 and 2020 as well as the Department of Florida American Legion College in 2020. Geo also graduated from the first ever Department of Florida Instructor Training Class in 2021 and plans on attending National American Legion College in 2027.

It is with great pleasure and honor for American Legion Post 304 to again endorse George 'Geo' Bograkos for the High Office of Southern Area Commander, Department of Florida, for the 2026-2027 administrative year.

For God and Country,

Kevin "Gunny" Savage

Commander

David Hurst

1st Vice Commander