

Request to be Considered for Department Treasurer

Past Department Presidents, Council of Administration, Officers and Members of VFW Auxiliary of South Carolina.

My name is Donna Matthews and I would greatly appreciate being considered to serve as the VFW Auxiliary of South Carolina Department Treasurer for 2026-2027.

Prior to my retirement in 2023, I worked in the banking, mortgage banking, and real estate law fields. I was the first in North or South Carolina to attain the distinction of National Mortgage Bankers Association Accredited Residential Underwriter. I served in all positions, up to and including President, of the Mortgage Bankers Association of Greater Columbia and in my year of Presidency, we won the Outstanding Association of the Year for North and South Carolina. Since retiring, I have served in positions in our VFW Post 11079 (Elgin) Auxiliary, including the past 3 as President, and am on the Board for the Kershaw County Sheriff's Foundation (where I have served as Secretary for 3 years) and am a member of American Legion Auxiliary Unit 195 (Lugoff) where I have served as Secretary and Treasurer. I have served in numerous managerial roles and have served on many Committees.

I was eligible to join the VFW Auxiliary due to the service of my husband of 43 years, Steven J. Matthews, who retired from the Air Force in 2000 and served during Desert Shield/Storm/and Watch. We have lived in South Carolina for 39 years and consider this our home. We have 2 married daughters, Stephanie Keller and Kristie Bickley, who are both VFW Auxiliary members, and one grandson, Steven. My husband is also our 2025-2026 Commander for Post 11079.

I am very active in our local Post, with programs and activities, and love to serve and give back to our Veterans, who have given us so much. There is seldom a day that goes by that I do not do something that is "VFW" related.

I am very familiar with our Podium Book but not yet fully versed. I am always learning and look forward to that continuing through study, mentoring, and use.

I would consider it an honor to serve as your Department Treasurer for 2026-2027 and would look forward to serving further in the future.

Thank you for your consideration,



Donna L. Matthews