



District Leader Agreement and Release Statement

Directions

Toastmasters International requires that any candidate running for and/or holding office, whether elected or appointed, agrees to and signs the District Leader Agreement and Release Statement below. Please submit your signed statement to the chair of the District Leadership Committee (DLC). Completed statements will be submitted to the District Director. Then, only the statements of newly elected and appointed leaders will be sent to District Leader Service and Support at World Headquarters (districts@toastmasters.org) to be kept on file.

District Leader Agreement and Release Statement

As a member of the District Executive Committee, I accept the responsibilities and duties as prescribed from time to time by the Board of Directors or in the **Articles of Incorporation** or **Bylaws of Toastmasters International**, in these administrative bylaws, or in standing rules or policies adopted by the District Council of this District, including but not limited to:

- ▶ I take personal responsibility for my conduct, individually and as a leader of Toastmasters International.
- ▶ I agree to abide by the principles contained in "A Toastmaster's Promise."
- ▶ I will fully comply with my fiduciary duties to Toastmasters International under its governing documents and the law of the land.
- ▶ I will refrain from any form of discrimination, harassment, derogatory, illegal, or unethical conduct, and I understand that if I engage in such conduct, I may be responsible to reimburse Toastmasters International, my club or other clubs, or other individuals involved with Toastmasters, for any damages, losses, or costs resulting from my conduct.
- ▶ I understand that Toastmasters programs are conducted by volunteers who cannot be effectively screened or supervised by Toastmasters International or its clubs, therefore, I release and discharge Toastmasters International, its clubs, governing bodies, and representatives from any liability for the intentional or negligent acts or omissions of any member or officer of my club or other clubs, or any officer of Toastmasters International.
- ▶ I will always conduct myself in a professional manner and adhere with the core values.
- ▶ I confirm that I am proficient in English, as it is the official business language of Toastmasters International and is expected of all District leaders.
- ▶ I understand that disagreements can and will occur. Therefore, I promise to focus on the issue at hand and not on the individual.
- ▶ I understand that individual members, clubs, and Districts may not create or use their own logo to replace or supplement the Toastmasters logo and wordmark.
- ▶ I consent to the sharing of my personal information (email address, phone number, etc.) with leaders and officers within my District, when necessary, to conduct legitimate Toastmasters operations. Additionally, I agree to receive all communications from Toastmasters International World Headquarters.
- ▶ I understand that all programs, materials, and contents are property of Toastmasters International and cannot be used for any individual, their affiliates, and/or organizations to derive any financial gains.

By signing this agreement, I acknowledge and accept the duties and responsibilities prescribed in the governing documents of Toastmasters International and other supporting documents, including but not limited to the District Leadership Handbook.

For District Directors, Program Quality Directors and Club Growth Directors: I understand that August and Mid-year District Leader Training are mandatory and requires my full participation, and may require me to travel internationally. I confirm that I am able to travel internationally. I agree that by signing below I am giving permission for the publication of my picture and name in the District Director Brochure. I also give permission for the use of my picture and name at the International Convention.

Confirmation

I have read and agree to the terms and conditions of the District Leader Agreement and Release Statement.

Full name (please print)

PN - 03523467

JOHN CHENG

Member Number

Officer position

Division Director

Area (if applicable)

Division N

Division (if applicable)

67

District

Signature

Date

23 FEB 2023



District Leader Biographical Information

Candidate's Name:

JOHN CHENG

Candidate's Office:

Division N Director

District Number:

67

Toastmasters member since:

2013

Education:

Master of comparative Law, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas, USA

Toastmasters offices held and terms of service:

President, Leadership Village 2018-2020

District Audit Committee

H4 Area Director 2014-2015

Chair 2020-2023

Toastmasters honors and recognition:

Distinguished Area H4 Governor 2014-2015

Select Distinguished club 2018-2020

Relevant work experience and how it relates to Toastmasters and your role as a District leader:

Chief Auditor, HSBC Bank, Taiwan

Senior Vice President, HSBC Taiwan

What experience do you have in strategic planning?

Chief Auditor, HSBC Bank, Taiwan

What experience do you have in the area of finance?

See above

What experience do you have in developing procedures?

Corporate Recovery leading one of the most celebrated corporate recovery success - Tung Lung Metal in Taiwan.

What lessons did you learn from previous leadership positions?

- Serve
- Add Value
- Leading by doing
- Accompany

Why do you want to serve as a District leader?

To serve, learning by doing.

In your opinion, what are the District mission's major objectives and how would you work to achieve them?

1. Add value to members particularly Area Directors
2. Accompany & learning by doing together.

Additional information about yourself:

passionate, positive, humble posture of learning at all times.



District Leader Nominating Form

These materials are confidential. District Leadership Committee (DLC), upon completion of voting, submit all forms to the committee chair to destroy after the final report has been distributed to the District Director.

Are you interested in nominating yourself or someone else for a District leader position? If so, please complete the form below and submit it to your District director or to the DLC. If you are nominating someone besides yourself, you may submit more than one person's name for each position.

To be nominated or elected and to hold office, a member must meet the following requirements:

- ▶ Be a member in good standing of a Toastmasters club in good standing.
- ▶ Meet the qualifications of the position.
- ▶ Consent to being nominated and sign the District Leader Agreement and Release Statement.

I wish to have the Director or DLC consider the following member for the office of:

- ☐ District Director
☐ Program Quality Director
☐ Club Growth Director
☒ Division Director (please specify Division IV)

If applicable:

- ☐ Area Director (please specify area _____/Division _____)
☐ Administration Manager
☐ Finance Manager
☐ Public Relations Manager

Name of nominee John Cheng Are you nominating yourself? ☒ Yes ☐ No
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City Taipei
State/Province Taiwan Postal code 115 Country Taiwan
Telephone 0987 157 437 Member number PN-03523467
Email johnjcheng@gmail.com
Home club name Leadership Village Club number _____
Educational Awards ☒ CC ☐ ACB ☐ ACS ☐ ACG ☐ CL ☐ ALB ☐ ALS ☐ DTM
☐ L1 ☐ L2 ☒ L3 ☐ L4 ☐ L5
Other District Audit Committee Chair

To assist the District Leadership Committee member in their deliberations, please attach:

- ▶ Additional information you would like to include about this candidate.
- ▶ A description of any club and District offices held by the nominee (include dates of service if possible).
- ▶ Why you believe the nominee should be considered for the specified position.

Submitted by [Signature] Date 22 Feb 2023

Mail, fax or email to your District director or DLC.

Forms are submitted directly to District Director/DLC. Please see your District website for specifics.
<https://www.toastmasters.org/Leadership-Central/District-Websites>