Appendix A: Ontario State Board Election - Candidate Information Sheet
Annexe A: Conseil d'Etat de l'Ontario – Feuille de Renseignements sur les Candidats/Candidates

NAME/NOM:	David O Gelinas
COUNCIL NAME NOM DU CONSEIL:	St. John de Brebeuf & Companions
COUNCIL NUMBER No DU CONSEIL	8233
LOCATION/VILLE	Kingsville
DISTRICT	21
INSURANCE MEMBER? MEMBRE ASSURÉ?	■ YES/OUI ❑ NO/NON — **WHEN DID YOU JOIN? QUAND VOUS AFFILIER ?** 02/24/2002

Using the space provided below please complete the appropriate section using the following headings: **Work History, Goals, Reason(s) for running in election, and Community Involvement**. Information received in any other format will not be included in the election package.
We are using a standard format for each candidate.
Veuillez utiliser l'espace disponible ci-dessous pour compléter la section appropriée en utilisant les titres suivants: **Sommaire professionnel, Buts, Raison(s) de votre participation à l'élection, et vos Activités communautaires.** Les renseignements reçus dans tout autre format ne seront pas inclus dans le paquet d'élection. Nous utilisons un format standard pour chaque candidat.

Work History: Employer - Fiat Chrysler Canada (retired), Windsor

Family: Married to Lori 34 years, blessed with 2 daughters, Taylor 32 and Kelcie 30.

Goals: I promise to continue to support the Councils in Ontario and State board officers to utilize my skills to help guide the Order in Ontario for the next decade and beyond. I understand our Councils will continue to face difficulties as they prioritize and strive to grow while facing more men that do not wish to be witnesses to their faith. Along with a society that continues to ridicule Christians and Catholics, governments that pass laws that challenge our faith and our beliefs, all while our membership and current leadership grows older and executive positions are a challenge to fill all around Ontario. I plan to help the State board develop realistic goals and strategies to help councils survive these difficulties. We cannot continue only with our methods of past practice and expect productive results today, but we must develop more leadership training and support and provide new programs that will intrigue and attract a diverse new generation to join our Order.

Reason to run for election:
My experience in every level and aspect of the Order in Ontario (Council, District, Squires, 4th degree, Association, State Director & State Officer) has developed and honed my leadership skills to help other leaders in the Order. I have demonstrated my commitment and passion, my focus, my reliable work ethic, and my ability to multi-task various portfolios successfully while giving a very large portion of my time to the betterment of the Order. I have understood that joining the Knights is an experience of a lifetime and I have taken that statement to heart and continue to treasure the relationships with the men and ladies I have met along my journey.

Community Involvement:
- Grand Knight - Kingsville #8233, 2005 – 2007 (both years Star Council)
- Instrumental to establish Squires Circle #5147 in November 2006
- Squire Counselor - Kingsville Circle #5147, 2006 – 2016
- Faithful Navigator - Amherstburg #2355, 2009 – 2011
- District Warden - District 21, 2010 – 2012
- District Deputy - District 21, 2012 – 2015
- Officers & Directors Trainer (LWDA), 2014 – 2017
- Secretary/Treasurer (London West Diocesan Association), 2011 – 2015
- Secretary to 5th Ontario District Master, 2006 – 2008
- Treasurer to 5th Ontario District Master, 2018 – 2024
- Video Director (4th degree team) - 5th Ontario District, 2011 – to present day
- Website creator & administrator (5th Ontario District & LWDA), 2015 – to present day
- State Membership Retention Director, 2015 – 2017
- State NCD & Round Table Director, 2017 – 2018
- State Bursaries Director, 2017 – 2019 & 2021 – 2023
- State Family Director, 2018 – 2019
- State Accountability Officer - Safe Environment, 2018 – 2021
- State 50/50 raffle director 2021 – 2023
- State Diocesan Association liaison & 4th degree liaison, 2023 – 2025
- State Warden 2017 – 2019
- State Advocate 2019 – 2021
- State Treasurer 2021 – 2023
- State Secretary 2023 – 2025
- State Deputy 2025 – to present day

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(Ontario State Office, Knights of Columbus/Bureau d'État de l'Ontario Chevaliers de Colomb), 393 Rymal Rd West, Suite 201, Hamilton, ON L9B 1V2, Fax (905) 388-8738 , Email: stateoffice@ontariokofc.ca

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