

## Profile of Nominee for the National Board from COR

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### Ministry Experience:

**Jan. 2019-present** Spiritual Director, Retreat Facilitator, accredited Tai Chi Chih®teacher  
Support Staff at San Damiano Retreat Center, Danville CA.

**2011-2018** Coordinator of Spirituality at the School of Applied Theology, an affiliate of the Graduate Theological Union, Berkeley. During the last two years, I also served as Associate Director.

**2004-2011** Director of Spirituality/Hospitality/Healing Arts at St Joseph Family Center, Spokane WA

**1998-2004** Associate Staff Member of Franciscan Spiritual Center  
-Supervisor for the Spiritual Direction component of the Pastoral Counseling Program at Neumann College.  
- 1999-2003 Vicar for Religious Wilmington DE  
- 1997-2000 a staff member - *Sabbatical for Contemporary Franciscans* at Tau Center, Winona, MN.( Jan-Easter)

**1991-1998** Staff Member, San Damiano Retreat Center, Aston, PA  
Coordinator of Franciscan Center Team/ Itinerant Minister

**1981-1990** Associate Pastor/Director of Spiritual Ministry St Leo the Great Parish, Lincroft, NJ

**1974-1981** Assistant Formation Director for our congregation

**1973- 1974** Institute for Religious Formation

**1965-1973** Elementary School Teacher

My direct involvement with the Federation was as Co-director of 4 Federation Summer Renewal Programs at St Bonaventure University and Assistant Director for 7 Franciscan Institute Forums in Colorado Springs.

I've had an ongoing interest in what has been happening in the Franciscan family and conviction that our vision is greatly needed in the world today.

**Gifts/ Skills:**

Ability to hold confidences

Knowledge, experience, and practice of Franciscan life and spirituality

A practical holistic approach to spirituality

Skill of deep listening developed over more than thirty years as a spiritual director and retreat facilitator

Planning and implementing conferences, retreats, and programs

Planning and facilitating groups of international participants for integrative group work and liturgical rituals

Collaborator and team worker

Willingness to try new possibilities

**Hope for the National Board:** I hope to bring to the Board from the Commission of Regions, the use of my experience and skills in whatever way it is needed as we move forward in the evolution of the Federation and Regions. I look forward to getting to know the chairs and how their region is moving forward our Franciscan spirituality and theology. I am interested in learning about the efforts, successes, difficulties, programs, suggestions and questions that come from the regions so I may represent them well.

**Photo enclosed:**