

Please fill out and return this Proxy form whether you plan to attend the 2023 annual meeting. You are urged to sign and return this proxy, or submit your proxy electronically on the USEA website, as soon as possible. It is essential that all members participate in the future course of the United States Eventing Association and that your views and concerns are represented by attending the annual meeting or through voting by proxy. Your vote is very important. Giving this proxy does not affect your right to revoke it at any time prior to when it is exercised or to vote in person should you decide to attend the meeting. *Only those members (all categories of members) who have renewed their memberships for 2024 are eligible to vote.* **Please renew your membership now. IN ORDER FOR YOUR PROXY TO BE ACCEPTED AND COUNTED IT MUST BE RECEIVED BY MAIL NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 22, 2023, OR ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION BY THURSDAY DECEMBER 8, 2023, BY 11:59 PM.**



United States Eventing Association, Inc. Notice of 2023 Annual Meeting of Members

In accordance with the By-laws, notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of Members of the United States Eventing Association, Inc. ("Annual Meeting") will be held at the Marriott St. Louis Grand Hotel in St. Louis, Missouri, Saturday, December 9, 2023, between 12:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. local time, at which time such business will be transacted as may be properly brought before the Annual Meeting. The following matters will be presented to the Members for their action and vote:

(a) Election of Governors, as proposed by the Nominating Committee, for the specified terms as follows:

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| Area I | Melanie Loschiavo | (2024-2026) | At Large | Jacob Fletcher | (2024-2026) |
| Area V | Siobhan O'Brien | (2024-2026)* | At Large | Lauren Nicholson | (2024-2026) * |
| Area III | Shelley Howerton Page | (2024-2026) | | | |
| Area VIII | Wayne Quarles | (2024-2026)* | | | |

* Governor currently serving on the Board and re-nominated for additional term.

Proxy

This Proxy is solicited on behalf of the Board of Governors.

The undersigned, a member ("Member") in good standing of the United States Eventing Association, Inc. ("USEA"), hereby appoints (check one box)

a) Louise Leslie, Yvonne Ocrant, Sharon Anthony, and each of them, or

b) _____ [please write in the name of a person who will definitely be at the Annual Meeting and who will be voting on your behalf] and, in their absence, such persons as are set forth in (a) above, and each of them, (collectively, the "Proxies") with full power of substitution, as Proxies to vote on behalf of the undersigned Member at the Annual Meeting of Members of the United States Eventing

Association ("Annual Meeting") to be held on Saturday, December 9, 2023 at the Marriot St. Louis Grand Hotel in St. Louis, Missouri, and at any adjournments thereof with all the powers the Member would possess if personally present.

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(2) In their discretion, the Proxies are authorized to vote upon such other business as may properly come before the Annual Meeting, or any adjournment thereof. At present, the Board knows of no other such matters.

Unless revoked, this Proxy when properly signed will be voted in accordance with the instructions given by the undersigned member. If no direction is given, this Proxy will be voted FOR item 1 and 2.

Required: USEA Member No. _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____ 2023

Print Name: _____

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Only those who have obtained a Membership (all categories of members) for 2024 are eligible to vote. **Please renew your membership now. A Proxy sent by mail will not be accepted if it is received after November 22, 2023.** Please sign and return this Proxy either by email Memberservices@useventing.com or mail to the United States Eventing Association, 525 Old Waterford Road NW, Leesburg, Virginia 20176. Proxy forms may also be hand delivered to the Secretary no later than three hours prior to the Annual Meeting. This Proxy form may be copied if Members wish to submit individual Proxy forms.

The Nominees

Jacob Fletcher

At Large (2024-2026)

Born and raised in Arkansas, Jacob was introduced to the sport of eventing under the guidance of Mike Huber. His training advanced in Texas from 2009-2013, and later in England with Australian event rider Kevin McNab during 2013 and 2014.

Jacob completed his undergraduate degree in Entrepreneurship and Small Business at the University of Arkansas.

He is a part-owner of 5o1 Sport Horses LLC, with operations in Cabot, Arkansas, and Ocala, Florida. In 2021, Jacob co-founded Fletcher Sparrow Capital Management LLC, a concentrated and long-only hedge fund. Alongside his spouse Cornelia, Jacob manages a select roster of competitive horses and manages the portfolio for Fletcher Sparrow.

His track record in eventing includes notable wins and placings at several 4-star events on several different horses.

Prior to horses, Siobhan worked in Canada and the US with several companies including Microsoft. After leaving Microsoft she started OnTrack Imaging to bring innovative imaging technologies to the equine market. Siobhan is truly able to identify with the adult amateur competitor. She has had a lifetime love of horses but wasn't able to seriously immerse herself into riding until she was an adult. As Malcom Gladwell writes in *Outliers*, it takes 10,000 hours to become expert at something. In an obsessive fashion, Siobhan put in her 10,000 hours and now derives pleasure from bringing horses into the lives of others.

She has owned and managed boarding and training facilities in Flower Mound since 2002. Siobhan recently opened a new facility for Horselife Farm in Bartonville, TX. Siobhan and Shelley Peters run the 22-stall facility on 17 acres, creating a barn atmosphere "where everybody knows your name".

Siobhan also has three children and a supportive husband, all of whom are involved on the Farm.

Melanie Loschiavo

Area I (2024-2026)

From the time Melanie Loschiavo decided to major in Nutrition and Dietetics at the University of Vermont she has had a passion for human nutrition. Loschiavo loves studying the science of what really makes our bodies go. Melanie has also been involved in many aspects of nutrition and dietetics from hospital in-patient nutrition care to community wellness programs, and management of an elementary school nutrition program.

After raising three incredibly active and amazing children, running a small horse farm, and serving as a leader in countless community organizations Loschiavo returned to college and updated her education. Now as a Registered Dietitian and owner of Upper Valley Nutrition Services, Melanie provides nutrition counseling in office, and serves as a consultant for local health promotion programs and for a residential long-term care facility.

Lauren Nicholson

At Large (2024-2026)

Lauren Nicholson began riding at the age of six and competed in her first horse trials at the age of 12. As a high school student Nicholson participated in a week-long eventing summer camp with Olympians David and Karen O'Connor, which led to a six-year working student position. Her talent and work ethic helped her reach the top levels of the sport and represent her country in international championships. Nicholson was part of the gold medal-winning U.S. team at the 2015 Pan American Games, represented the United States at the 2016 Rio Olympics, and again represented her country by making the team for the 2018 FEI World Equestrian Games.

Nicholson has placed second at the Kentucky Three-Day Event twice with Veronica, and in 2018 she placed fifth with Veronica's stablemate Vermiculus. In 2019, Vermiculus and Nicholson finished in ninth place in the Mitsubishi Badminton Horse Trials. Lauren Nicholson has proven she is a consistent top performer and she recently married Irish event rider, Sam Nicholson.

Siobhan O'Brien

Area V (2024-2026)

Siobhan has ridden and competed in Eventing for over 25 years. Siobhan competed throughout the United States, attending several AEC and FEI competitions and was 2011 Area V Preliminary Champion. She has ridden multiple horses from Beginner Novice through Intermediate and produced her horse, Hoodwink to Intermediate before selling him to a young rider for NAYC. Siobhan was United States Eventing Association (USEA) Area V Chairperson for two terms, managing the calendar, communicating with organizers and competitors, and representing the Area to the National organization. Siobhan is a USEA ECP certified coach with over 12 years of experience training beginner through Preliminary riders.

Shelley Howerton Page

Area III (2024-2026)

Shelley Page has been involved with the sport of eventing for over 40 years. She has been a competitor to the highest level, an owner, and an organizer. She has over thirty-five years of experience organizing and producing top-level equestrian competitions throughout the world. Shelley has organized events such as the 2018 Tryon World Equestrian Games (Eventing), American Eventing Championships, Ocala Jockey Club, Wellington Showcase, & Lift Master Grand Prix Eventing at the Aiken Horse Park to name a few. Shelley is the founder of Equestrian Events LLC & travels the world working on different Events in different capacities. Shelley has international competition management experience from the Tokyo 2020 Olympics and the 2023 Santiago Pam American Games.

Shelley has sat on various USEF committees over the last 20 years She is passionate about eventing from the starter level through to the elite level. Her expertise and strengths come out particularly in the cross-country phase where safety is paramount. Her mission is to keep everyone safe while providing an educational but challenging and fair course.

Shelley and her husband Travis (who is an FEI Eventing and FEI Jumping Steward) live in Aiken, SC and Ocala, FL.

Wayne Quarles

Area VIII (2024-2026)

Wayne Quarles had a passion for horses from a very young age, but being from a non-horsey family he had to be content with occasional rides at a hack stable until he saved enough money to buy HIS first horse when he was 15. After that his primary education was from riding for a local sales barn and started riding problem horses for people. While his initial education was in Hunter/Jumper, Dressage became a passion after going to see the Spanish Riding School when they performed in Washington DC when he was 16. Eventing happened later in his career when coaching Dressage and Jumping for the local Pony Club. They needed a XC coach to prepare for their regional rally and since he knew how to ride on terrain from Hunting, he stepped in and has been involved ever since.

Wayne holds the following licenses: FEI "I" Eventing Judge and Technical Delegate, FEI Level 2 Steward, USEF Registered ("R") judge for Dressage and Senior ("S") Judge and Technical Delegate for Eventing, plus USEF Recorded "r" Connemara judge.

Current Chair of the USEF Eventing Sport Committee Officials Working group, Board of Governors co-chair of the USEA Eventing Licensed Officials Committee, co-author and panelist for the Training Program for Eventing Officials, a member of the USEF Connemara Committee and the American Connemara Association Board of Governors. In addition, Wayne is a founding member of the Masterson Park Equestrian Trust Foundation, currently he is competing in Dressage and Eventing with his fifth generation of homebreds.