

## **DISTRICT DIVISION E DIRECTOR CANDIDATE**

## **PATRICIO LEONEL MORAT**

## PERSONAL STATEMENT / CAMPAIGN COMMUNICATION

I am privileged to be a candidate for the District Division E Director position in District 37. I originally joined Toastmasters in mid-2008 and since then I have been active in a number of Toastmasters Clubs. At present, I am a member of Wells Fargo Stagecoach Speakers Uptown Charlotte, WEC Express and Blue Moon Advanced Toastmasters. I have served in a number of officer roles, including:

- Club Secretary at Bank of America Uptown Toastmasters Club (CB-00003971), 08/01/2009 – 06/30/2010 & Wells Fargo Stagecoach Speakers Uptown Charlotte (CB-02908799), 07/01/2021 – 06/30/2022;
- Club VP PR at WEC Express (CB-01600549), 07/01/2021 06/30/2022 and 07/01/2022 06/30/2023 (In Progress);
- Club Coach/Mentor at Transformation Toastmasters (CB-03601673),
  Complete, awarded 06/27/2016 & Talk of The Town Toastmasters (CB-06624082), In Progress, expected completion 06/30/2023;
- District 37 Audit Chair (2021/2022), and
- Area (45E) Director (2022/2023).
- In addition, I am currently working as a Club Sponsor within the District.

I am currently focused on finishing all of the projects required to achieve the Distinguished Toastmaster (DTM) award.

Professionally, I am a finance and risk practitioner with more than 20 years in the financial services industry. My academic and professional experiences coupled with my passion to relate to other allows me to be an avid conflict and problem solver.

The last three Toastmasters years have been one of challenges and opportunities for our District, the organization as a whole, and its members. Each of us in District 37 have developed the resilience and creativity to deal with the new normal of Covid19 and its aftermath. In consequence, we remain flexible and continue to meet in person, virtually and through hybrid meeting formats.

In the last three years, our District has mastered the art of the virtual presentation. We have engaged our membership through a combination of educational/mentoring programs, speech contests and social events. If elected District Division Director, I will not only continue this tradition but continue to offer new innovative approaches that will make both our members and interested persons want to stay or become part of Toastmasters. In addition, training our clubs to offer engaging, efficient and effective meetings as well as providing increased networking opportunities will be a cornerstone of my work as focus on what we do in our clubs more impactful to the ever-evolving workplace and other areas of our life. Lastly, I commit myself to help both our members and those in our communities to becoming better public speakers, communicators and leaders.