

BIOGRAPHY OF
MILLARD C. PICKERING
GRAND EXALTED RULER
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Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the U.S.A.

Millard C. Pickering was initiated into Bristow, Oklahoma, Lodge No. 1614 in 1976 and was appointed Tiler at the next meeting. He served as Esteemed Loyal Knight before relocating to Branson, Missouri. He joined a committee there to institute a new Lodge and was installed as Charter Loyal Knight of Lake Taneycomo Lodge No. 2597 in 1980. He served as Exalted Ruler in 1981-1982 before returning to Oklahoma to attend the University of Tulsa, College of Law.

As a member of Sapulpa, Oklahoma Lodge No. 1118, he served as Secretary and President of the P.E.R. Association, Chaired the Auditing, Indoctrination, Government Relations, Drug Awareness, Membership, and National Foundation Committees. As a two-term Member and Chairman of the Lodge Trustees, he presided over the design and construction of Centennial Hall to commemorate the Lodge's one-hundredth year anniversary.

He has served the Oklahoma Elks Association in numerous positions including Chairman of the Laws and Resolutions Committee for over ten years, State Parliamentarian, Northeast District Vice-President, and State President in 2009-2010.

He was appointed District Deputy in 2001-2002 and worked on the Grand Lodge Committee on Judiciary for eight years, including two years as Chairman, on the Grand Lodge Resolutions Committee for three years, the last as Chairman, on the Grand Lodge Pardon Commission for three years, and as a Justice of the Grand Forum for five years, completing his term as Chief Justice.

He holds a Baccalaureate Degree from the College of the Ozarks and a Juris Doctorate Degree from the University of Tulsa, where he received the American Jurisprudence Award, the Order of the Barrister, and was a member of Phi Delta Phi Honor Fraternity.

Millard was appointed Assistant District Attorney in several jurisdictions, Assistant Attorney General, Staff Attorney to the Oklahoma Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training and has coordinated the Criminal Justice and Law Enforcement programs at Tulsa Community College, Oklahoma's third largest college, since 1997. He served as legal instructor to the Oklahoma Highway Patrol Academy, Tulsa Police Academy, Oklahoma Police Corp, and many prosecution and law enforcement agencies around the country. He was named Oklahoma Prosecutor of the Year in 1991.

He has held five commissions in Law Enforcement and is a past president of the Association of Oklahoma Narcotic Enforcers and a Charter Member and former Sub-Committee Chairman of the National Narcotic Officer's Associations Coalition, where he met with members of Congress in support of drug enforcement efforts.

He enjoys an active lifestyle with many diverse interests including aviation, martial arts, cooking, travel, mixology, and cross-country motorcycling. He has ridden motorcycles in all fifty of the United States and is a Life Member of Harley Owners Group, acting as subject matter expert for that organization's officer training classes for a number of years.

He is an accomplished vocalist, and has performed with many groups in various locations including Branson, Missouri, and the Tulsa Performing Arts Center. He has been cast in over thirty performances of Tulsa Opera and served as president of that organization for two years.

Millard and his devoted wife, Susanne, a Collegiate Academic Counselor of many years, have been married since 1989, and are members of the Church of St. Mary in Tulsa, Oklahoma, where Millard is a Charter member of the local Knights of Columbus Council. They are proud Godparents to two nieces and a nephew.

