

Peter Stavrianoudakis

My name is Peter Stavrianoudakis and I am running for AFC Director on the platform of Transparency, Accessibility, and Hospitality.

Transparent: All my dealings with DFW and the Commission will be in the open. many of you have seen my numerous statements and arguments with CDFG via DFG website video hearings, California Falconers Facebook Page, CHC forum, and CHC social media sites you will know what I will be asking and fighting for. I have fought alongside with our President Troy Morris and have teamed up with him at meetings with the DFW commission to maximize our efforts against unjust laws and regulations. You will not be in the dark.

Accessibility: If you contact me I will respond, individually or via AFC sites.

Hospitality: My place on the river is open for events. In the last 2 years I've hosted 4 weekend events, The Baby Bird Bash, Turkey Hawker Meet, Shawn Hayes' Workshop and co hosted with Sabrina Santos the Pheasant Falcon Fiasco.

I became a licensed falconer around 1980, kestrels on grasshoppers, redtails dirt hawking with limited experience with prairie then rabbit hawking with harris hawks. After a reprieve from hawking I've fallen in love aplomados.

I am an attorney of 20 years, 15 as a Public Defender in Stanislaus fighting for client's Constitutional Rights and now fighting for falconers. Why so passionate about the proposed Illegal Search Regulation? My first year as a general I was falsely arrested at my home under guise of an inspection under the Cushman tyranny. I was released the same day as after their forced inspection there was no evidence of any illegal activity. Now I want to make sure this never happens to you. I've presented at several Commission Meetings regarding current and proposed regulations and "meet and confer" sessions with the Commission and DFW, Assemblyman Adam Gray and Merced County Sheriff Vernon Warnke edited and signed letters I drafted to the DFW and the Commission supporting that the inspection language is unconstitutional and should be eliminated. My passion for falconry and our rights to fly the hawks we own are on the video log of the Commission Hearings. I have opposed publicly many of the stances when CHC has agreed to any unconstitutional regulation and have stood by them on those issues that increased are freedoms and accessibility to raptors. I have never faltered or conceded to any issue on inspections. And have argued against inspection post licensing. I have advocated for golden eagles as Falconry birds, for their captive propagation and for release to falconers from licensed rehab facilities for falconry use in addition to publicly advocating for peregrine take in California as they are no longer endangered and giving credit to the Falconry community for their generous gift of their birds for propagation and release to the wild as well as habitat protections.

Thank you for considering me for director.