

BIOGRAPHY OF
MALCOLM J. MCPHERSON, JR.
GRAND EXALTED RULER
2017-2018

Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the U.S.A.

Malcolm J. (Mac) McPherson, Jr. was born in Newark, New Jersey on December 7, 1955 to Malcolm J. McPherson, Sr. and Miriam (née Murray) McPherson. Malcolm has one sister, Susanne McPherson. He attended Sacred Heart Grammar School, Lyndhurst High School, Seton Hall University, and Seton Hall Law School, graduating law school in 1981.

Malcolm met his wife Patricia (Pat) (née Schember) in high school and they were married on August 15, 1981. They have two daughters, Meghan and Mallory, both of whom are officers of Lyndhurst Lodge No. 1505. Upon graduation from law school, Malcolm joined the law firm of Edwards and Antholis as an associate until becoming a partner in 1986, remaining there until 1990.

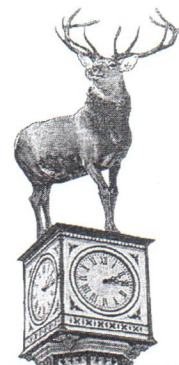
In 1991, he opened his own private practice specializing in civil law, including matrimonial, municipal land use, wills and estates. He was also a former attorney for the Passaic County Elks Cerebral Palsy Treatment Center. In 1992, he was appointed the attorney for the Lyndhurst Rent Leveling Board and presently still holds that position.

Malcolm was initiated into Lyndhurst Lodge No. 1505 in March 1981, proposed by his soon to be father-in-law, Walter Schember, Sr. He was installed as Lodge Esquire in March 1982 and continued on as Esteemed Lecturing Knight, Esteemed Loyal Knight, Esteemed Leading Knight and elected as Exalted Ruler in 1986-1987. Following that, Malcolm served his Lodge in many capacities including Justice of the Subordinate Forum from 1987-2005. He achieved Honorable Life Membership in April 1997.

On the State level, he served as Chairman for the North Central District's Ritual Committee as well as being a certified Ritualistic judge, which he continues to be to this day. He served as attorney for both the New Jersey State Elks Association Convention and Special Children's Committee. Malcolm was also Chairman of the New Jersey State Laws Committee. He was elected President of the New Jersey State Elks Association 1999-2000.

At the Grand Lodge level, Malcolm was appointed District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler of New Jersey's North Central District in 1995-1996, Grand Lodge Ritualistic Committeeman in 2002-2003, Grand Lodge Committee on Judiciary in 2003-2005, member of the Grand Forum from 2005 until 2010, serving as its Chief Justice, and Chairman of the Pardon Commission in 2009-2010, Special Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler for the state of New Jersey from 2009 to the present.

On a personal level, Malcolm was a member and coach of the Little Falls Athletic Club. He coached basketball and softball in Little Falls from 1989 until 2001. He was a member of the American Bar Association. He and his family are parishioners of Our Lady of Mount Carmel R. C. Church.



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