

Nomination for Board of Directors

Joseph Willis Jones

National member: Asociación de Rafting de Chile

Candidate for: **President**

Nominated by: **Asociación de Rafting de Chile**



Introduction:

Current IRF President, elected 2013

Professional Experience:

- Served as IRF Sport & Competition Chair 2011-2013
- Immersed in the rafting and whitewater industry for over 40 years
- Guided and run 100's of rivers spanning every continent including leading or participating in numerous first descents
- Has worked with dozens of rafting companies on four continents in raft guiding, instruction, and management. Has taught university level, accredited raft instruction programs
- Has led numerous multi-day wilderness trips in some of the most remote locations on the planet from the arctic regions of Alaska to Patagonia, the Amazon basin and Africa
- Competed in whitewater open canoes and rafts including participating in the first Project RAFT races in Siberia, the USA and Costa Rica that predated the IRF
- Operates an eco-adventure tourism (and rafting) company and coaches the Chilean rafting team

Skills:

Business Administration, Sports Administration, Event Management, Computer Programming, Raft Coaching, Guiding, Instruction.

Education and Training:

- Masters Business Administration (MBA), University of California Berkeley
- Wildlife Biology, Mechanical Engineering, University of Alaska Southeast
- Guide Training and Education Assessor, IRF
- Swiftwater Rescue Instructor, Rescue 3
- Chief Judge, IRF

Summary Statement:

Plans to continue to advance the position of the IRF and rafting sport in the sports world, leveraging growth opportunities through involvement and participation in global sport organisations.













