

**American Legion Post 117 Lafayette, TN
Resolution**

The executive team and membership of Post 117 – Lafayette, TN do hereby endorse and submit Billy Jay Blankenship for the position of District 4 Commander.

WHEREAS, Blankenship has demonstrated leadership skills and abilities as the commander of post 117. Under his command, the post has transitioned from a nominal status to a growing and vibrant post.

WHEREAS, Blankenship has actively developed initiatives to increase membership and participation of the next generations to ensure the longevity of the post.

WHEREAS, Blankenship has dedicated many hours per year to the mission of Post 117 and the department of TN. The hours that he has invested have resulted in the membership growth and community engagement.

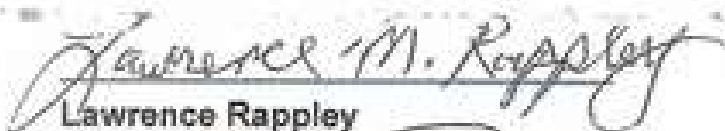
WHEREAS, Blankenship has completed the Legion Basic training Course.

WHEREAS, Blankenship has completed The Tennessee American Legion College.

WHEREAS, Blankenship Served Twenty four years and one month service in the United States Army and Army National Guard.

WHEREAS, Blankenship exemplifies the standards and expectations of the American Legion by developing professional relations with community partners. He is a result-driven member when working with local government officials, businesses, non-profit organizations, and other Legion posts.

The above is a summary of accomplishments that have been evident due to the leadership displayed by Billy Jay Blankenship. On January 20, 2026, this resolution was read to the membership and executive leadership team. It was unanimously voted to proceed with the resolution as written and recommend Commander Blankenship for the position of District 4 Commander.



**Lawrence Rappley
Adjutant - Post 117 Lafayette, TN.**



**Lucas Dyer
Vice Commander – Post 117 Lafayette, TN.**