

# **R. VEN. BRO. MATT D.A. FLETCHER**

## **Acclaimed for the position of Sovereign Grand Master 2023-25**

My passion for the Allied Masonic Degrees of Canada comes from my belief that we have the perfect Order for the interested and deeper-thinking Mason to engage and truly make a daily advancement in our own Masonic knowledge. We have an ideal focus for the study of what we do, why we do it, where Masonry came from, what it means, and where it is going. I see our AMD as being an exceptionally valuable place for us to engage and enthuse those in our Masonic family who truly want to progress, and share our individual researches and insights for the benefit of all.



Having been born, raised, and trained in the United Kingdom, I have been a consultant Orthopaedic surgeon for rural Northern British Columbia and Northwestern Alberta for the last 19 years in Dawson Creek, and have made my adopted country my home. With a strong background in academic surgery, I was Assistant Professor at, and retain clinical faculty status in the University of British Columbia, and have published and presented over 50 academic papers.

My entrance to Masonry was in the United Kingdom in 1994, and I maintain memberships in both Canada and the UK, as well as in continental Europe. I am a Past Master, Past First Principal, Past Grand Superintendent, Past Sovereign Master, Past Celebrant, Past President, and am or have been a member of almost every masonic body in existence currently. I am also involved in a number of other esoteric societies allied to Masonry.

I was the Founding Master of Peace Council No.224, and a Founder of Northern Equinox Council, both of which I am currently the Secretary of. I was able to bring the Hermetic Chapter of the Spiritual Knight to Canada for the first time in 2018. Further, I have introduced the SRIA in Northern BC, and have been a founder of a new Council of the Cryptic Rite in the Peace Country.

Having been privileged to be the Editor of the Architect for the last 6 years, I have managed to grow our content significantly. As an active researcher I have given over 150 papers and publications on Masonic subjects, as well as produced a number of translations from both Russian and French, and have also edited the Transactions of the SRIA Province of BC and Yukon for the last 7 years.

My leadership positions in Masonry include Deputy Grand Master for the Allied Masonic Degrees of Canada, past DDGM of District 4 AMD, past Grand Superintendent of District 10 of the Supreme Grand Chapter of BC & Yukon (Grand First Principals Award), I am the Chief Adept of the SRIA in Western Canada, and the Director-General of Studies for this most learned Masonic society. and sit on the General Purposes Committee.

As a member of the Royal Order of Eri in England, and maintaining many active memberships in the UK, I am able to further actively strengthen and build friendships and active collaboration between our respective Grand Jurisdictions through my connections.

I am extremely passionate about the Allied Masonic Degrees of Canada and will work for, and with, you all to help grow and strengthen the Order that we share. Our AMD is a beautiful and valuable branch of Masonry, and we need to promote it and increase its reach to all Masons who are looking for further light in Masonry, to the advantage of themselves and the benefit of our Order. Critically, we need to make the AMD a beacon that will engage and support other Grand Bodies which are starting to fail, by providing much needed content and value that will assist in the preservation of every aspect of Masonry.

Let us bring our passion for the Allied Masonic Degrees into our Royal Arch Chapters and our Craft Lodges and become the Order which truly actuates all that Masonry should stand for!