



**Nomination Template for  
Commission Chair Elect 2021-2022  
(for the positions of Chair of Commission for the term 2023-2026)**

<b>Commission no. 1</b>	
<b>Nominee</b>	
Name	Timothy W. Burch, P.L.S.
Country	United States
Contact Address	756 North Walden Drive, Palatine, IL 60067
E-mail address	tim.burch@nsps.us.com
Age	53
Degrees and educational background	<p>McHenry County College, McHenry, IL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Associate Degree in Applied Science (Business Management)</li> <li>• Certificates in Organization Leadership &amp; Business Management Principles</li> </ul>
Employment history - current position - previous	<p><u>Current:</u>            April 2016 – Present            Director of Surveying • SPACECO, Inc. • Rosemont, IL</p> <p><u>Previous:</u>            Sept 2013 – April 2016            Survey Department Manager • Chastain &amp; Associates • Decatur, IL</p> <p>May 2013 – Sept 2013            Senior Project Surveyor • Hanson Professional Services • Springfield, IL</p> <p>Aug 2011 – May 2013            Survey Project Manager • Manhard Consulting, Ltd. • Vernon Hills, IL</p> <p>Sept 2003 – Aug 2011            Director of Surveying Services • Cowhey Gudmundson Leder, Ltd. • Itasca, IL</p> <p>Jan 1998 – Sept 2003            Business Development Manager • Smith Engineering Consultants, Inc • McHenry, IL</p> <p>Jun 1983 – Jan 1998            Project Surveyor • Cochran Engineering • Decatur, IL</p>



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<p>Positions of trust</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- current</li> <li>- previous</li> </ul>	<p><u>Current:</u> President-Elect • NSPS • Board of Directors Brand Ambassador • “Get Kids into Survey” Member • NSPS Government Affairs Committee Contributing Editor • GPS World Magazine Contributing Writer • NSPS News &amp; Views Contributing Writer • The Illinois Surveyor Express Editorial Board • POB Magazine Creator/Co-host/Producer • “Surveyor Says!” NSPS Podcast series</p> <p><u>Previous:</u> Vice President • NSPS • Board of Directors Secretary • NSPS • Board of Directors Governor/Director • NSPS • Board of Governors/Directors Chair • IPLSA Government Affairs IPLSA Representative • Illinois UAV Task Force</p>
<p>Positions in FIG</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- current</li> <li>- previous</li> </ul>	<p><u>Current:</u> NSPS Delegate • Commission 1, Professional Standards and Practice Chair • FIG Commission Working Group 1.1 - Professional Standards and Ethics</p>
<p>Other activities in FIG</p>	<p>Young Surveyors Network</p>
<p>Field of surveying discipline</p>	<p>Land, Topographic, Title, Control Networks, Hydrographic Public/Private Projects Professional advocacy Education and mentoring</p>
<p><b>Nominees Statement:</b></p>	
<p>Why I want to be a Commission Chair and what I would like to achieve</p>	<p>Professional standards in surveying are similar to human rights in nature; these should be held in the highest regard to the safety and welfare of all citizens. My goal as Chair is to continue the efforts of FIG in the promotion of ethics throughout the profession. This task includes continual communication across all surveying organizations and a unified message of ethics and standards for all survey practitioners to adopt and base their activities upon.</p>
<p>What I can offer to FIG in support of the aims and objectives of the Commission</p>	<p>As a relentless advocate for the profession, I strive to find methods of improvement in all aspects of the profession. From the entry level technician to the seasoned</p>

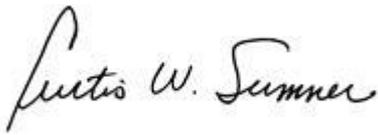


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	<p>professional, it has been my goal to extend education and teachable opportunities to younger generations through new communication methods while working with more experienced surveyors to be open to new learning opportunities. A goal is also to expand the inclusion of non-traditional genders and races within the many facets of surveying while establishing a professional atmosphere the citizens of each country can respect and trust.</p>
My key skills	<p>Professionalism Communication Advocacy Dedication Visionary Team-based strategies</p>
Any other general comments	<p>The COVID-19 pandemic has shown the world how closely related we are, so steps need to be taken to protect our citizens in many more ways. While it may seem to be overreaching for a surveyor to feel as important as a medical professional during these times, our profession often plays a key role in one of the most important possessions of a person's life: real property. From the simple property survey to boundaries between cultures and differing viewpoints, the surveyor is called upon for many different professional tasks and causes. Surveyors must maintain an ethical base upon which to act; communication and advocacy for the profession is an important way to see it through.</p>
<b>Nominator</b>	
Name of member Association	National Society of Professional Surveyors (NSPS)
Name and title of contact person	Curtis Sumner, Executive Director
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<b>Nominator's statement</b>	
Why the association wants to nominate Nominee	Timothy Burch possesses abundant professional surveying knowledge and enormous practical



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	experience in various aspects of surveying work and has demonstrated superb vision and ideas to elevate the surveying profession. He endeavors to share his achievements in conferences both local and global. It is anticipated he will make substantial contributions to surveying globally when given the opportunity to lead FIG Commission 1.
Support the Association can offer the Nominee (financial and other)	The Association will give him the needed support to enable him to discharge his duties successfully and to achieve all his goals for the benefit of the surveying community around the world.
Any other comments	Mr. Burch is a dedicated individual with an outstanding reputation who can be entrusted with the most challenging assignments and will well represent FIG to the global surveying community.
<b>Signed</b> I hereby certify the above is true and correct	
Date 12/14/2020	
Nominee	 Timothy W. Burch
Nominator	Curtis W. Sumner  NSPS Executive Director