

## **Platform Statement for Coach's Director Position**

### **Jason Morris**

To the USA Judo coaching community-

I was nominated by several coaches to run for Coaching Director. I am honored to be nominated and will use the knowledge and recourses I have cultivated around the world over the last 40 years to give back to USA Judo coaches to the best of my ability.

As an athlete I competed in 4 Olympic Games and 6 Junior and Senior World Championships brining 3 medals home for the USA. I was active within USA Judo governance as an athletes rep while I was competing before moving on to being a Head Coach of the 2008 Olympic Team and multiple Senior and Junior World Teams.

I have served on the USA Judo High Performance committee for the last several years and flown to Colorado Springs to implement the American Judo Development Model, which has begun being utilized within USA Judo, the USJF and USJA organizations.

I created the Jason Morris Judo Center Outreach Program where the JMJC and it's members volunteer their time teaching in the local community.

I also created an international Magazine, Real Judo, which included a full time photographer that traveled the world bringing high quality Olympic Coverage to the USA Judo Community.

My home Dojo served as a National Training Center for USA Judo and I currently run monthly developmental tournaments and coaching clinics to support the grass roots Judo building on the East Coast.

As Coaching Director I hope to expand the work I have been doing locally to the National Judo community to raise the level of Judo in our country. I am currently working on creating a digital instructional Judo platform to provide coaches with elite instructional videos that can be effectively communicated and utilized by their students.