

**Notification of a Bylaw to revise and amend the provisions under  
ARTICLE V OFFICERS all Sections**

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**Existing Bylaws ARTICLE IV - BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
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- 1) There shall be four officers: President, President elect, Secretary and Treasurer.
- 2) Each candidate for election to a National Office shall have been a Regular member in good standing of the Society for at least three (3) years immediately prior to nomination. A person who has been a Junior member in good standing for the three (3) consecutive years previous to requesting Regular membership status will be eligible to hold any elected office within the Society after being approved to the rank of Regular member.
- 3) The President and President-elect shall serve a term of office of one year only. The President-elect shall, having served that term of elected office, automatically succeed to the office of President and serve for a one-year term only. The President shall not be eligible for election to any national office for a period of one year after completion of the Presidential term.
- 4) The Secretary shall serve a term of two years and is eligible for election to two consecutive terms. The Secretary shall not, following two consecutive terms, be eligible for election to the same office for a period of two years.
- 5) The Treasurer shall be elected by a majority vote of the Board of Directors. If needed, the ASGS shall provide financial reimbursement to the Treasurer or the Treasurer's representative who attends the Board of Directors meetings. The transition of the Treasurer at the November Board of Directors meeting may require the ASGS to offer financial reimbursement to both the present Treasurer and the Treasurer-elect. The Treasurer should be a member in good standing for a period of three (3) years prior to being elected. The Treasurer shall be elected yearly. By a majority vote, the Board of Directors shall have the right to remove the Treasurer at anytime.
- 6) The Assistant Treasurer shall be selected by the Treasurer. The Board of Directors must approve the selection with a majority vote. The Assistant Treasurer shall have no vote on the Board of Directors and shall be provided no financial reimbursement to the Board of Directors meetings unless the Assistant Treasurer is representing the Treasurer. The Assistant Treasurer shall have been a Regular member in good standing for three (3) years. The Assistant Treasurer shall be selected (or reselected annually) by the Treasurer and the

selection shall be approved by the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall have the right to remove the Assistant Treasurer by a majority vote at anytime.

- 7) The term of office of Sectional Directors shall be a maximum of four consecutive years, (A two-year term for two consecutive terms or one-year terms for four consecutive terms, etc.) They shall not, following four consecutive years, be eligible for election to the same office for a period of two years without the consent of the President.
- 8) Each Officer and Sectional Director shall serve a full term of office or shall serve until a successor has been installed.

- 9) The title of Emeritus may be granted to an officer for long and distinguished service to the Society. This title shall be assigned for life and shall be granted to only one officer at a time in each of the authorized Emeritus positions. The position may be filled only upon a resolution of the Board of Directors and ratified by the members present at the Annual Business Meeting of the Society. The Board of Directors will determine the minimum requirements of eligibility and privileges of each Emeritus position.

- 10) In the event of an Officers death, resignation or the Board of Directors' determination by 2/3 vote that an officer's ability to perform the duties of that office have been adversely effected, the following succession shall take place:

a)Treasurer or Secretary – The President shall immediately appoint a successor. The President will mail a notice of same to each member of the Board of Directors asking for approval. The receipt of a majority of the Board members' favorable responses confirms the appointee as Treasurer or Secretary for the time remaining in the term of office. If confirmation of the President's appointee is unsuccessful, the President must select another person and submit that appointee for confirmation.

b) President – The President-elect shall automatically assume the office of President, serving that which remains of the uncompleted term of the previous President, and the term to which the President-elect would have succeeded as well.

c) President-elect – The President shall, upon completion of a term, remain in office until a successor is elected through the regular election process.

d) The Executive Secretary, by parliamentary law, is an appointive position. Appointment is made by the President with concurrence of the President-elect and approved by a majority vote of the Board Directors. The position is of non-voting status and shall be for two (2) years with the right of the Board of Directors to ask for a resignation with a two-thirds vote. Duties are as to be described under Duties of the Executive Secretary.

### **Suggested Changes:**

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**Motion Resolution:**

**Motion by:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Second by:** \_\_\_\_\_