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OF THE CO-ORDINATE BODIES OF THE

ANCIENT AND ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE OF FREEMASONRY

Valley of Wheeling, West Virginia

ADOPTED MARCH 9TH, 1921

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McDANIEL LODGE OF PERFECTION NO. 1.

ARTICLE I

NAME. AUTHORITY. MEETINGS.

Sec. 1. This body shall be known as McDaniel Lodge of Perfection, No. 1, and exists by virtue of a charter granted January 18, 1876, and re-chartered October 20, 1909, by the Supreme Council of the Thirty-third Degree of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States, to which Supreme Council it owes and yields allegiance.

Sec. 2. The stated meetings of this Lodge of Perfection shall be held on the first Wednesday of each month at 8:00 o'clock, P. M.; provided, however, that the stated meetings in July, August and September may, by order of the Lodge, be dispensed with.

Sec. 3. A special meeting may be called by the Venerable Master for the transaction of such business as may be transacted at a special meeting, or for work, whenever he may deem the same necessary; but no business shall be transacted at said special meeting other than that for which it shall have been called.

Sec. 4. Due notice of said special meeting shall be published in the official Bulletin and the nature of the business to be transacted shall be stated therein, provided, however, that when said meeting is called only for the purpose of receiving or balloting upon petitions under a special dispensation or for the purpose of conferring degrees the said notice may be omitted.

Sec. 5. The time and number of reunions held each year shall be decided by the Executive Committee unless otherwise ordered by the Lodge of Perfection in conjunction with the other Bodies of the Rite.

ARTICLE II

ELECTION AND APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS.

Sec. 1. The elective officers shall be the Venerable Master, Senior Warden, Junior Warden, Orator, Almoner, Secretary, Treasurer, and Trustee, who shall be elected triennially at the stated meeting nearest to the third day of the Hebrew month Adar.

Sec. 2. The appointive officers shall be the Master of Ceremonies, Expert, Assistant Expert, Captain of the Host, and Tiler, who shall be appointed by the Venerable Master and hold their respective offices during his will and pleasure.

ARTICLE III.

DUTIES AND COMPENSATION OF OFFICERS

Sec. 1. The Venerable Master shall preside at all meetings and see that the statutes, edicts, rules and regulations of the Supreme Council, and the by-laws of this Lodge of Perfection are enforced. It shall be his special duty to see that the dignity and standing of Scottish Rite Masonry is preserved and maintained. He shall have no vote, except when electing officers, balloting on candidates, and when members are equally divided on other questions.

Sec. 2. The Senior Warden, Junior Warden, and Orator, respectively, shall assist the Venerable Master in the performance of his duties, and perform such other duties as may be required of them.

Sec. 3. The Almoner shall have charge of the Box of Fraternal Assistance, and shall

distribute the fund in accordance with the requirements of the Rite.

Sec. 4. The Secretary shall make an accurate account of the proceedings of this Lodge of Perfection, and record the same in a book kept for that purpose; receive all moneys in behalf of the Lodge and pay the same to the Treasurer thereof; attest all orders drawn on the Treasurer; conduct the correspondence of the Lodge; have charge of the Seal and Records; and perform such other duties as pertain to his office, or as may be required of him. At the expiration of his term of office, upon the election and qualification of his successor, he shall deliver over to said successor all records, books, papers, and all other property of the Lodge in his possession and control. For his services he shall receive the sum of seven hundred and fifty (\$750.00), per annum payable monthly, and shall be allowed such clerical assistance as may be deemed necessary by the Lodge.

Sec. 5. The Treasurer shall receive all moneys of the Lodge from the Secretary, giving his receipt therefore, and deposit the same in its name and in such bank or banks as may from time to time be designated by this Lodge of Perfection; pay all duly signed orders received from the Secretary; and perform such other duties as pertain to his office. For his services he shall be exempt from the payment of dues.

Sec. 6. The Trustee shall be the legal custodian of the property of the Body. He shall be the representative of this Body upon the Board of Trustees, and shall protect and preserve its interests in the property of the Bodies.

Sec. 7. The Tiler shall perform such duties as pertain to his office. For his services he shall receive the sum of two (\$2.00), dollars per meeting, and an additional four (\$4.00) dollars, when said meeting is held during the day and evening.

ARTICLE IV.

FEES AND DUES.

Sec. 1. The fees for the degrees of the Lodge of Perfection, from the Fourth to the Fourteenth, both inclusive, together with a copy of the Morals and Dogmas, and the Fourteenth Degree ring, shall be forty (\$40.00) dollars, which fees, in all cases, must be paid by the candidate before receiving any of the degrees.

Sec. 2. The dues shall be three (\$3.00), dollars per annum for all members residing within a radius of ten (10) miles from the Scottish Rite Cathedral, in the City of Wheeling, and for all other members the dues shall be one (\$1.00) dollar per annum. Where the afore-

mentioned radius line shall pass through and divide a city or town partly within and partly without said ten (10) mile radius, then the whole of said city or town shall be considered as within said ten (10) mile radius, and all members of this Lodge of Perfection residing in said city or town shall pay dues at the rate of three (\$3.00) dollars per annum; which said dues shall be payable in advance on or before the first day of January in each year.

Sec. 3. Should any member be in arrears to the amount of two (2) years' dues, and so remain for sixty (60) days, the Secretary shall at the expiration of said time notify him that he has thereby become liable to suspension, which said notice shall be given by letter sent to his last known address. At the expiration of thirty (30) days thereafter, if his said dues remain unpaid, the Secretary shall report the proceeding to the Lodge of Perfection for its action, which may thereupon suspend him. In the event of suspension of a member for any cause notice of suspension shall be mailed him by registered letter sent to his last known address.

Sec. 4. A Life Membership in this Lodge of Perfection, without assessment of dues, may be granted to any member by a majority vote of the Lodge upon the payment by said member of the sum of fifty (50.00) dollars, and the dues for the current year into the treasury of this Lodge, and upon the filing of his application for said Life Membership. Provided, however, that to members residing beyond the ten mile radius mentioned in Section 2, the fee for Life Membership shall be twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars. The failure of any such life member to maintain his membership in the Master Mason's Lodge; or should he be suspended or expelled from this Lodge of Perfection, then said Life Membership shall terminate.

ARTICLE V.

PETITIONS.

Sec. 1. The names of candidates may be proposed or their petitions presented. All proposals and petitions, when received, shall be laid over until the next stated meeting unless otherwise provided by special dispensation from the Sovereign Grand Inspector General or Deputy of the Supreme Council.

Sec. 2. Due notice of the ballot upon any candidate shall be given by the Secretary to each member in such manner as the Lodge may from time to time direct; and no ballot shall be taken thereon until said notice shall have been given, except when special dispensation is granted by the Sovereign Grand Inspector General or Deputy of the Supreme Council.

Sec. 3. No member shall give information to any person not a member of the Rite in good standing concerning applicants or proposals for degrees, except as herein provided in relation to the duty of Secretary, and on the rejection of any proposal or petitioner, no member or visitor shall disclose the name of any person so rejected, or the name of any brother who may have opposed any proposal or petitioner for admission, under the penalty, if a member, of expulsion; and if a visitor, of never being permitted to visit this Body or become a member thereof; and that all brothers may be advised of this by-law, the Venerable Master shall read or cause it to be read immediately after the rejection of any candidate; and the Secretary shall include a copy of this section with each list of names for ballot.

ARTICLE VI.

PHOTOGRAPH AND MASONIC HISTORY.

Sec. 1. Each candidate shall, if elected and previous to receiving any of the degrees, file with the Secretary a photograph of himself, the same to be of a size suitable for insertion in the Lodge files. He shall at the same time provide the Secretary with his Masonic History upon a blank to be furnished him by the Secretary for that purpose.

ARTICLE VII.

COMMITTEES.

Sec. 1. At or before the stated meeting in December in each year the Venerable Master shall appoint an auditing committee of three (3) members, whose duty it shall be to audit the books and examine the accounts of the Secretary and Treasurer of the Lodge of Perfection, and of the Board of Trustees, and make a report in writing at the stated meeting in January following.

Sec. 2. Unless otherwise provided, all committees shall be appointed by the Venerable Master, and with such duties and for such purposes as the Lodge may from time to time authorize.

ARTICLE VIII.

GENERAL PROVISIONS. BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

Sec. 1. The Board of Trustees shall consist of four (4) members, one from each body, and be elected at the triennial election thereof. Each Trustee shall hold his office until his successor is elected and confirmed by the Circuit Court of Ohio County, West Virginia. They shall be the legal custodians of all real and personal property of the four Bodies, have full charge of the same, and see that it is kept in proper condition and repair for the use of the Bodies.

Sec. 2. Immediately after the triennial election shall have been held, the Trustees shall organize by electing a Secretary and Treasurer, the Inspector General or Deputy of the Supreme Council being ex-officio President of the Board of Trustees, but not entitled to a vote except in case of a tie. The Trustees shall allow said Secretary for his services such compensation as may seem necessary.

Sec. 3. The said Board of Trustees shall fix its time of meeting and adopt such by-laws for its own government as it may deem proper.

Sec. 4. In the event of the death or resignation of a Trustee, the Body in which he was elected shall, at its next stated meeting elect a successor.

Sec. 5. The said Board of Trustees shall see that the building is properly heated and lighted; employ such persons as may be necessary to take care of the building, handle and look after the scenery, costumes and paraphernalia, and generally to do all those things in connection with the building and the personal property to be used therein that any of the Bodies might properly do.

Sec. 6. The Trustees shall operate and maintain under proper rules and regulations a Masonic Club in the quarters provided for that purpose. Membership in this Club shall be free to all members of the Scottish Rite Bodies, and to all other Master Masons upon payment of an annual fee of \$2.00.

Sec. 7. At the annual meeting of the Lodge of Perfection in January of each year, said Board, through its Secretary, shall make a report of its transactions during the preceding year; showing its receipts and disbursements, together with such additional matters as it may deem to be of importance to the Body.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Sec. 8. The Masters of the four Bodies and the Secretary and Inspector General or Deputy of the Supreme Council shall constitute the Executive Committee, whose duty it shall be to arrange for and have charge of all reunions and other affairs in which the four Bodies shall be jointly interested, with power and authority to appoint any and all sub-committees, necessary and proper, and to define their powers and duties. The Inspector General or Deputy of the Supreme Council shall be ex-officio chairman of said Executive Committee.

Sec. 9. The Executive Committee shall publish a monthly bulletin, to be sent to each member of the four Bodies, which shall contain notice of all regular meetings, and such other information as may seem desirable, and for this purpose may appoint an editor and pay him such compensation as may seem proper. The Executive Committee shall also cause to be printed a year book which may be incorporated with the January issue of the Bulletin. In it shall be printed the annual reports and other information of importance to the membership and it shall also contain a section devoted to appropriate and fitting obituary notices of members deceased during the year.

ARTICLE IX.

AMENDMENTS.

Sec. 1. Amendment to these by-laws, unless otherwise provided for by special dispensation, shall be in writing and shall be presented and read at a stated meeting and laid over until the next stated meeting for action, notice of which setting forth the proposed amendment shall be printed in the Bulletin. At said next stated meeting, if two-thirds of the members present shall vote in the affirmative the amendment shall be declared to be adopted, and shall become effective when approved by the Sovereign Grand Inspector General or Deputy of the Supreme Council.

BY-LAWS

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CHARITY CHAPTER KNIGHTS
ROSE CROIX NO. 1.

ARTICLE I.

NAME. AUTHORITY. MEETINGS.

Sec. 1. This body shall be known as Charity Chapter Knights Rose Croix No. 1, and exists by virtue of a charter granted May 30, 1876, and re-chartered October 20, 1909, by the Supreme Council of the 33rd Degree of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States to which Supreme Council it owes and yields allegiance.

Sec. 2. The stated meetings of this Chapter, shall be held on the second Wednesday of each month at 8:00 o'clock P. M.; but only when notice thereof shall appear in the official Bulletin.

Sec. 3. A special meeting may be called by the Wise Master for the transaction of such business as may be transacted at a special meeting or for work, whenever he may deem the same necessary; but no business shall be transacted at such special meeting other than that for which it shall have been called.

Sec. 4. Due notice of said special meeting shall be published in the official Bulletin and the nature of the business to be transacted shall be stated therein, provided, however, that when said meeting is called only for the purpose of receiving or balloting upon petitions under a special dispensation or for the purpose of conferring degrees the said notice may be omitted.

Sec. 5. The time and number of reunions held each year shall be decided by the Executive Committee unless otherwise ordered by the Lodge of Perfection in conjunction with the other Bodies of the Rite.

ARTICLE II.

ELECTION AND APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS.

Sec. 1. The elective officers shall be the Wise Master, Senior Warden, Junior Warden, Orator, Almoner, Secretary, Treasurer, and Trustee, who shall be elected triennially at the stated meeting nearest to the Thursday after Easter.

Sec. 2. The appointive officers shall be the Master of Ceremonies, Expert, Assistant Expert, Standard Bearer, Guardian of the Temple, and Tiler, who shall be appointed by the Wise Master, and hold their office during his will and pleasure.

ARTICLE III.

DUTIES AND COMPENSATION OF OFFICERS.

Sec. 1. The Wise Master shall preside at all meetings, and see that the statutes, edicts, rules and regulations of the Supreme Council, and the by-laws of this Chapter, are enforced. It shall be his especial duty to see that the dignity and standing of Scottish Rite Masonry is preserved and maintained. He shall have no vote except when electing officers, balloting on candidates, and when members are equally divided on other questions.

Sec. 2. The Senior Warden, Junior Warden, and Orator, respectively shall assist the Wise Master in the performance of his duties, and perform such other duties as may be required of them.

Sec. 3. The Almoner shall have charge of the Box of Fraternal Assistance, and distribute the fund in accordance with the requirements of the Rite.

Sec. 4. The Secretary shall make an accurate account of the proceedings of this Chapter, and record the same in a book kept for that purpose; receive all moneys in behalf of the Chapter, and pay the same to the Treasurer thereof; attest all orders drawn on the Treasurer; conduct the correspondence of the Chapter, and as such Secretary have charge of the Seal and Records; and perform such other duties as pertain to his office, or as may be required of him. At the expiration of his term, upon the election and qualification of his successor, he shall deliver over to said successor all records, books, papers and other property of the Chapter in his possession and control. For his services he shall receive the sum of \$500.00 per annum, payable monthly.

Sec. 5. The Treasurer shall receive all moneys of the Chapter from the Secretary, giving his receipt therefor, and deposit the same in its name and in such bank or banks as may from time to time be designated by McDaniel Lodge of Perfection; pay all duly signed orders received from the Secretary; and perform such other duties as pertain to his office. For his services he shall be exempt from the payment of dues.

Sec. 6. The Trustee shall be the legal custodian of the property of this Body. He shall be the representative of this Chapter upon the Board of Trustees, and protect and preserve its interests in the property of the Bodies.

Sec. 7. The Tiler shall perform such duties as pertain to his office. For his services he shall receive the sum of \$2.00 per meeting, and an additional sum of \$4.00 when such meeting is held during the day and evening.

ARTICLE IV.

FEES AND DUES.

Sec. 1. The fees for the degrees of this Chapter, from the fifteenth to the eighteenth, inclusive, shall be thirty-five (\$35.00) dollars, which fees must in all cases be paid by the candidate before receiving any of the degrees.

Sec. 2. The dues shall be \$1.00 per annum, payable in advance, on or before the first day of January of each year.

Sec. 3. Should any member be in arrears to the amount of two (2) years' dues, and so remain for sixty (60) days, the Secretary shall, at the expiration of said time notify him that he has thereby become liable to suspension, which said notice shall be given by letter sent to his last known address. At the expiration of thirty (30) days thereafter, if said dues remain unpaid, the Secretary shall report the proceeding to the Chapter for its action, which may thereupon suspend him. In the event of suspension of a member for any cause notice of suspension shall be mailed him by registered letter sent to his last known address. (See Article VIII. Section 1).

Sec. 4. A Life Membership in this Chapter of Knights Rose Croix, without assessment of dues, may be granted to any member by a majority vote of the Chapter, upon the payment by said member of the sum of twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars, in addition to the dues for the current year, into the treasury of the Chapter, and upon the filing of his application for said Life Membership; but the failure of any such life member to maintain his membership in the Master Mason's Lodge or in the Lodge of Perfection, or should he be suspended or expelled from this Chapter of Knights Rose Croix, then said Life Membership shall terminate. (See Article VIII, Section 1).

ARTICLE V.

PETITIONS.

Sec. 1.—The names of candidates may be proposed or their petitions presented. All proposals and petitions, when received, shall be laid over until the next stated meeting unless otherwise provided by special dispensation from the Sovereign Grand Inspector General or Deputy of the Supreme Council.

Sec. 2. No member shall give information to any person not a member of the Rite in good standing concerning applicants or proposals for degrees, except as herein provided in relation to the duty of Secretary, and on the rejection of any proposal or petitioner, no member or visitor shall disclose the name of any person so rejected, or the name of any brother who may have opposed any proposal or petitioner for admission, under the penalty, if a member, of expulsion; and if a visitor, of never being permitted to visit this Chapter or become a member thereof; and that all brothers may be advised of this by-law, the Wise Master shall read or cause it to be read immediately after the rejection of any candidate.

ARTICLE VI.

PHOTOGRAPH AND MASONIC HISTORY.

Sec. 1. Each applicant shall, if elected, and previous to receiving any of the degrees (unless he has already complied with a similar requirement in the Lodge of Perfection) file with the Secretary a photograph of himself, in accordance with the requirements of the Lodge of Perfection, and also provide the Secretary with his Masonic history upon a blank to be furnished by the Secretary for that purpose.

ARTICLE VII.

COMMITTEES.

Sec. 1. Unless otherwise provided, all committees shall be appointed by the Wise Master, and with such duties and for such purposes as the Chapter may from time to time authorize.

ARTICLE VIII.

GENERAL PROVISIONS.

Sec. 1. The general provisions adopted by McDaniel Lodge of Perfection are adopted and approved as the general provisions of this Body, and the said McDaniel Lodge of Perfection is hereby made the fiscal agent of this

Body for the conduct of all its financial affairs, including the election of life members and the suspension of members for the non-payment of dues, and their re-instatement.

ARTICLE IX.

AMENDMENTS.

Sec. 1. Amendment to these by-laws, unless otherwise provided for by special dispensation, shall be in writing and shall be presented and read at a stated meeting and laid over until the next stated meeting for action, notice of which setting forth the proposed amendment shall be printed in the Bulletin. At said next stated meeting, if two-thirds of the members present shall vote in the affirmative the amendment shall be declared to be adopted, and shall become effective when approved by the Sovereign Grand Inspector General or Deputy of the Supreme Council.

BY-LAWS

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ALBERT PIKE COUNCIL KNIGHTS
KADOSH NO. 1.

ARTICLE I

NAME. AUTHORITY. MEETINGS.

Sec. 1. This Body shall be known as Albert Pike Council Knights Kadosh No. 1, and exists by virtue of a charter granted June 30, 1893, and re-chartered October 30, 1909, by the Supreme Council of the 33rd Degree of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States, to which Supreme Council it owes and yields allegiance.

Sec. 2. The stated meetings of this Council shall be held on the third Wednesday of each month at 8:00 o'clock P. M., but only when notice thereof shall appear in the official Bulletin.

Sec. 3. A special meeting may be called by the Preceptor, for the transaction of such business as may be transacted at a special meeting, or for work, whenever he may deem the same necessary; but no business shall be transacted at such special meeting other than that for which it shall have been called.

Sec. 4. Due notice of said special meeting shall be published in the official Bulletin and the nature of the business to be transacted shall be stated therein, provided, however, that when said meeting is called only for the purpose of receiving or balloting upon petitions under a special dispensation or for the purpose of conferring degrees the said notice may be omitted.

Sec. 5. The time and number of reunions held each year shall be decided by the Executive Committee unless otherwise ordered by the Lodge of Perfection in conjunction with the other Bodies of the Rite.

ARTICLE II.

ELECTION AND APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS.

Sec. 1. The elective officers shall be the Preceptor, First Sub-Preceptor, Second Sub-Preceptor, Chancellor, Orator, Almoner, Recorder, Treasurer and Trustee, who shall be elected triennially at the stated meeting nearest to the 24th day of June.

Sec. 2. The appointive officers shall be the Master of Ceremonies, Turcopilier, Draper, First Deacon, Second Deacon, Bearer of Beausant, Bearer of White Standard, Bearer of Black Standard, Lieutenant of the Guard, and Sentinel, who shall be appointed by the Preceptor and shall hold their office during his will and pleasure.

ARTICLE III.

DUTIES AND COMPENSATION OF OFFICERS.

Sec. 1. The Preceptor shall preside at all meetings and see that the statutes, edicts, rules and regulations of the Supreme Council, and the by-laws of this Body are enforced. It shall be his especial duty to see that the dignity and standing of Scottish Rite Masonry is preserved and maintained. He shall have no vote except when electing officers, balloting on candidates and when members are equally divided on other questions.

Sec. 2. The First Sub-Preceptor, Second Sub-Preceptor, Chancellor, and Orator, respectively, shall assist the Preceptor in the performance of his duties, and perform such other duties as may be required of them.

Sec. 3. The Almoner shall have charge of the Box of Fraternal Assistance, and distribute the fund in accordance with the requirements of the Rite.

Sec. 4. The Recorder shall make an accurate account of the proceedings of the Council, and record the same in a book kept for that purpose; receive all moneys in behalf of the Council, and pay the same to the Treasurer thereof; conduct the correspondence, and have charge of its Seal and Records, and perform such other duties as pertain to his office, or as may be required of him. At the expiration of his term, upon the election and qualification of his successor, he shall deliver over to his successor all records, books, papers, and other property of the Council in his possession and control. For his services he shall receive the sum of \$500.00 per annum, payable monthly.

Sec. 5. The Treasurer shall receive all moneys of the Council from the Secretary, giving his receipt therefor, and deposit the same in its name and in such bank or banks as may from time to time be designated by McDaniel Lodge of Perfection; pay all duly signed orders received from the Secretary; and perform such other duties as pertain to his office. For his service he shall be exempt from the payment of dues.

Sec. 6. The Trustee shall be the legal custodian of the property of this Body. He shall be the representative of this Body upon the Board of Trustees and protect and preserve its interests in the property of the Bodies.

Sec. 7. The Sentinel shall perform such duties as pertain to his office. For his services he shall receive the sum of \$2.00 per meeting, and an additional \$4.00 when such meeting is held during the day and evening.

ARTICLE IV.

FEES AND DUES.

Sec. 1. The fees for the degrees from the 19th to the 30th inclusive, shall be forty (\$40.00) dollars, which fees must in all cases be paid by the candidate before receiving any of the degrees.

Sec. 2. The dues shall be \$1.00 per annum, payable in advance, on or before the first day of January of each year.

Sec. 3. Should any member be in arrears to the amount of two (2) years' dues, and so remain for sixty (60) days, the Secretary shall, at the expiration of said time, notify him that he has thereby become liable to suspension, which said notice shall be given by letter sent to his last known address. At the expiration of thirty (30) days thereafter, if said dues remain unpaid, the Secretary shall report the proceeding to the Council for its action, which may thereupon suspend him. In the event of suspension of a member for any cause notice of suspension shall be mailed him by registered letter sent to his last known address. (See Article VIII, Section 1).

Sec. 4. A Life Membership in this Council of Knights Kadosh, without assessment of dues, may be granted to any member by a majority vote of the Council, upon the payment by said member of the sum of twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars, in addition to the dues for the current year, into the treasury of the Council, and upon the filing of his application for said Life Membership; but failure of any such life member to maintain his membership in the Master Mason's Lodge, Lodge of Perfection or Knights Rose Croix or should he be suspended or expelled from this Council of Knights Kadosh, then said life membership shall terminate. (See Article VIII, Section 1).

ARTICLE V.

PETITIONS.

Sec. 1. The names of candidates may be proposed or their petitions presented. All proposals and petitions, when received, shall be laid over until the next stated meeting unless otherwise provided by special dispensation from the Sovereign Grand Inspector General or Deputy of the Supreme Council.

Sec. 2. No member shall give information to any person not a member of the Rite in good standing concerning applicants or proposals for degrees, except as herein provided in relation to the duty of Secretary, and on the rejection of any proposal or petitioner, no member or visitor shall disclose the names of any person so rejected, or the name of any brother who may have opposed any proposal or petitioner for admission, under the penalty, if a member, of expulsion; and if a visitor, of never being permitted to visit this Body or become a member thereof; and that all brothers may be advised of this by-law, the Preceptor shall read or cause it to be read immediately after the rejection of any candidate.

ARTICLE VI.

PHOTOGRAPH AND MASONIC HISTORY.

Sec. 1. Each applicant shall, if elected, and previous to receiving any of the degrees (un-

less he has already complied with a similar requirement in one of the preceding Bodies) file with the Recorder a photograph of himself, in accordance with the requirements of the Lodge of Perfection, and also provide the Recorder with his Masonic history upon a blank to be furnished by the Recorder for that purpose.

ARTICLE VII.

COMMITTEES.

Sec. 1. Unless otherwise provided, all committees shall be appointed by the Preceptor and with such duties and for such purposes as the Council may from time to time authorize.

ARTICLE VIII.

GENERAL PROVISIONS.

Sec. 1. The general provisions adopted by McDaniel Lodge of Perfection are adopted and approved as the general provisions of this Body, and said McDaniel Lodge of Perfection is hereby made the fiscal agent of this Body for the conduct of all its financial affairs, including the election of life members and the suspension of members for the non-payment of dues, and their re-instatement.

ARTICLE IX.

AMENDMENTS.

Sec. 1. Amendments to these by-laws, unless otherwise provided for by special dispensation, shall be in writing and shall be presented and read at a stated meeting and laid over until the next stated meeting for action, notice of which setting forth the proposed amendment shall be printed in the Bulletin. At said next stated meeting, if two-thirds of the members present shall vote in the affirmative the amendment shall be declared to be adopted, and shall become effective when approved by the Sovereign Grand Inspector General or Deputy of the Supreme Council.

BY-LAWS

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WEST VIRGINIA CONSISTORY

NO. 1.

ARTICLE I.

NAME. AUTHORITY. MEETINGS.

Sec. 1. This Body shall be known as West Virginia Consistory No. 1, and exists by virtue of a charter granted October 19, 1893, and re-chartered October 20, 1909, by the Supreme Council of the 33rd Degree of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States, to which Supreme Council it owes and yields allegiance.

Sec. 2. The stated meetings of this Consistory shall be held on the fourth Wednesday of each month at 8:00 o'clock P. M., but only

when notice thereof shall appear in the official Bulletin.

Sec. 3. A special meeting may be called by the Master for the transaction of such business as may be transacted at a special meeting, or for work, whenever he may deem the same necessary; but no business shall be transacted at such special meeting, other than that for which it shall have been called.

Sec. 4. Due notice of said special meeting shall be published in the official Bulletin and the nature of the business to be transacted shall be stated therein, provided however, that when said meeting is called only for the purpose of receiving or balloting upon petitions under a special dispensation or for the purpose of conferring degrees the said notice may be omitted.

Sec. 5. The time and number of reunions held each year shall be decided by the Executive Committee unless otherwise ordered by the Lodge of Perfection in conjunction with the other Bodies of the Rite.

ARTICLE II.

ELECTION AND APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS.

Sec. 1. The elective officers shall be the Venerable Master of the Kadosh, Prior, Preceptor, Chancellor, Minister of State, Almoner, Registrar, Treasurer and Trustee, who shall be elected triennially at the stated meeting nearest to the 27th day of December.

Sec. 2. The appointive officers shall be the Prelate, Master of Ceremonies, Expert, Assistant Expert, Captain of the Guard, and Steward, who shall be appointed by the Master and shall hold their offices during his will and pleasure.

ARTICLE III.

DUTIES AND COMPENSATION OF OFFICERS.

Sec. 1. The Master shall preside at all meetings and see that the statutes, edicts rules and regulations of the Supreme Council, and the by-laws of this Consistory are enforced. It shall be his especial duty to see that the dignity and standing of Scottish Rite Masonry is preserved and maintained. He shall have no vote except when electing officers, balloting on candidates, and when members are equally divided on other questions.

Sec. 2. The Prior, Preceptor, Chancellor, and Orator, respectively, shall assist the Master in the performance of his duties, and perform such other duties as may be required of them.

Sec. 3. The Almoner shall have charge of the Box of Fraternal Assistance, and distribute the fund in accordance with the requirements of the Rite.

Sec. 4. The Registrar shall make an accurate account of the proceedings of the Consistory and record the same in a book kept for that purpose; receive all moneys in behalf of the Consistory and pay the same to the Treasurer thereof; conduct the correspondence, and have charge of its Seal and Records, and perform such other duties as pertain to his office or as may be required of him. At the expiration of his term, upon the election and qualification of his successor, he shall deliver over

to his successor, all records, books, papers and other property of the Consistory in his possession and control. For his services he shall receive the sum of \$500.00 per annum, payable monthly.

Sec. 5. The Treasurer shall receive all moneys of the Consistory from the Secretary, giving his receipt therefor, and deposit the same in its name and in such bank or banks as may from time to time be designated by McDaniel Lodge of Perfection; pay all duly signed orders received from the Secretary; and perform such other duties as pertain to his office. For his services he shall be exempt from the payment of dues.

Sec. 6. The Trustee shall be the legal custodian of the property of this Body. He shall be the representative of this Body upon the Board of Trustees, and protect and preserve its interests in the property of the Bodier

Sec. 7. The Tiler shall perform such duties as pertain to his office. For his services he shall receive the sum of \$2.00 per meeting, and an additional sum of \$4.00 when such meeting is held during the day and evening.

ARTICLE IV.

FEES AND DUES.

Sec. 1. The fees for the 31st and 32nd degrees shall be sixty (\$60.00) dollars, including patents, which fees must in all cases be paid by the candidates before receiving any of the degrees.

Sec. 2. The dues shall be \$1.00 per annum, payable in advance, on or before the first day of January of each year.

Sec. 3. Should any member be in arrears to the amount of two (2) years' dues, and so remain for sixty (60) days; the Secretary shall at the expiration of said time notify him that he has thereby become liable to suspension, which said notice shall be given by letter sent to his last known address. At the expiration of thirty (30) days thereafter, if said dues remain unpaid, the Secretary shall report the proceedings to the Consistory for its action, which may thereupon suspend him. In the event of suspension of a member for any cause notice of suspension shall be mailed him by registered letter sent to his last known address. (See Article VIII, Section 1).

Sec. 4. A Life Membership in this Consistory, without assessment of dues, may be granted to any member by a majority vote of the Consistory, upon the payment by said member of the sum of twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars, in addition to the dues for the current year, into the treasury of the Consistory, and upon the filing of his application for said Life Membership; but the failure of any such life member to maintain his membership in the Master Mason's Lodge, Lodge of Perfection, Knights Rose Croix or Knights Kadosh, or should he be suspended or expelled from this Consistory, then said Life Membership shall terminate. (See Article VIII, Section 1).

ARTICLE V.

PETITIONS.

Sec. 1. The names of candidates may be proposed or their petitions presented. All

proposals and petitions, when received shall be laid over until the next stated meeting unless otherwise provided by special dispensation from the Sovereign Grand Inspector General or Deputy of the Supreme Council.

Sec. 2. No member shall give information to any person not a member of the Rite in good standing concerning applicants or proposals for degrees, except as herein provided in relation to the duty of Secretary, and on the rejection of any proposal or petitioner, no member or visitor shall disclose the name of any person so rejected, or the name of any brother who may have opposed any proposal or petitioner for admission, under the penalty, if a member, of expulsion; and if a visitor, of never being permitted to visit this Body or become a member thereof; and that all brothers may be advised of this by-law, the Master of Kadosh shall read or cause it to be read immediately after the rejection of any candidate.

ARTICLE VI.

PHOTOGRAPH AND MASONIC HISTORY.

Sec. 1. Each applicant shall, if elected, and previous to receiving any of the degrees (unless he has already complied with a similar requirement in one of the preceding Bodies) file with the Registrar a photograph of himself, in accordance with the requirements of the Lodge of Perfection, and also provide the Registrar with his Masonic history, upon a blank to be furnished by the Registrar for that purpose.

ARTICLE VII.

COMMITTEES.

Sec. 1. Unless otherwise provided all committees shall be appointed by the Master of Kadosh, and with such duties and for such purposes as the Consistory may from time to time authorize.

ARTICLE VIII.

GENERAL PROVISIONS.

Sec. 1. The general provisions adopted by McDaniel Lodge of Perfection are adopted and approved as the general provisions of this Body, and the said McDaniel Lodge of Perfection is hereby made the fiscal agent of this Body for the conduct of all its financial affairs, including the election of life members and the suspension of members for the non-payment of dues, and their re-instatement.

ARTICLE IX.

AMENDMENTS.

Sec. 1. Amendments to these by-laws, unless otherwise provided for by special dispensation, shall be in writing and shall be presented and read at a stated meeting and laid over until the next stated meeting for action, notice of which setting forth the proposed amendment shall be printed in the Bulletin. At said next stated meeting, if two-thirds of the members present shall vote in the affirmative the amendment shall be declared to be adopted, and shall become effective when approved by the Sovereign Grand Inspector General or Deputy of the Supreme Council.