

**BYLAWS OF A
JURISDICTIONAL GUARDIAN COUNCIL
JOB'S DAUGHTERS INTERNATIONAL**

**ARTICLE I
DUTIES AND POWERS OF A JURISDICTIONAL GUARDIAN COUNCIL**

Section 1.

- (a) A JGC may adopt a Manual of Rules and Regulations which shall be consistent with the laws of the SGC. (See SOP-JGC-13 and B-JGC Art. XV Sec. 1 (a))
- (b) A JGC may approve the formation of a Jurisdictional Bethel (See SOP-JGC-12 Art. I Sec. 1 (a) and B-JGC Art. XV Sec. 1 (a) (3)). In the event a Jurisdictional Bethel is formed by a JGC, Jurisdictional Bethel Rules and Regulations shall be adopted by the JGC and be included in the Manual of Rules and Regulations.
- (c)-(d) **(See SOP-JGC-5)**
- (e) JGCs may approve the formation of an Alumni Association (See B-JGC Art. XV Sec. 1 (a) (8)) which shall not conflict with the laws of the SGC.

**ARTICLE II
DUTIES OF THE JURISDICTIONAL GUARDIAN COUNCIL**

Section 1. The Jurisdictional Guardian shall:

- (a) Preside at all regular and special meetings of the JGC and the Executive JGC.
- (b) See that the laws of the SGC and JGC are enforced.
- (c) Promote the welfare and growth of the Order.
- (d) Submit recommendation of members for the JGC for appointment to the Vice Supreme Guardian.
- (e) Appoint committees as necessary for the transaction of business of the JGC. Appointees working with the JDI in the USA, Canada or Australia shall be on the current list of CAV's provided by the Executive Manager.
- (f) Serve as a member ex-officio on all committees with right to discuss and vote on all questions.
- (g) Submit a written report semi-annually to the Supreme Guardian on the condition of the JGC.
- (h) Submit a written report at the Annual Session on the condition of the jurisdiction.
- (i) Submit a report on Form 120 at the Annual Session of SGC about the work of the JGC and Bethels. The Executive Manager shall mail Form 120 to each Jurisdictional Guardian sixty (60) days prior to the Annual Session of the SGC.
- (j) Shall appoint a parliamentarian.

Section 2. The Associate Jurisdictional Guardian shall:

- (a) Assist the Jurisdictional Guardian in the performances of her duties.
- (b) Preside at all meetings in the absence of the Jurisdictional Guardian and the Vice Jurisdictional Guardian, and at other times when requested to do so.
- (c) Advise the Jurisdictional Guardian on all matters pertaining to her duties and act as liaison for the Order on subjects relating to the Masonic Fraternity.
- (d) Make himself thoroughly familiar with all laws pertaining to the Order.
- (e) Serve as a member ex-officio on all committees with the right to discuss and vote on all questions.
- (f) Inform the Chairman of the SGC Fraternal Relations Committee, all special activities with other Fraternal organizations prior to occurrence.
- (g) Submit an annual report of the past year's activities sixty (60) days prior to the annual meeting of the JGC.

Section 3. The Vice Jurisdictional Guardian shall:

- (a) Assist the Jurisdictional Guardian
- (b) Assume the Jurisdictional Guardians duties during her absence or disability.

Section 4. The Vice Associate Jurisdictional Guardian shall:

- (a) Assist the Associate Jurisdictional Guardian.

- (b) Assume the Associate Jurisdictional Guardian's duties during his absence or disability.

Section 5. The Jurisdictional Secretary shall:

- (a) Attend all meetings of the Executive JGC and JGC.
- (b) Keep minutes of all meetings of the Executive JGC and JGC, sending a copy of same to the Supreme Guardian, Vice Supreme Guardian, and Supreme Deputy if one is appointed.
- (c) Conduct correspondence and affix the seal.
- (d) Maintain a mailing list of all voting members.
- (e) Receive all monies due the JGC, turning same over to the Jurisdictional Guardian Treasurer, taking a receipt therefore.
- (f) Submit a written report at the Annual Session.
- (g) Ensure that the latest amended copy of the Manual of Rules and Regulations is on file with the Executive Manager and all members of the Jurisprudence Committee of the SGC.

Section 6. The Jurisdictional Treasurer shall:

- (a) Receive all monies from the Jurisdictional Secretary giving a receipt therefore.
- (b) Have custody of all funds and securities belonging to the JGC.
- (c) Pay out monies on warrants as directed by the Executive members of the JGC.
- (d) Keep a complete record of all receipts and disbursements and report to the Supreme Guardian on a semi annual basis and annually at the Annual Session of JGC.

ARTICLE III COMMITTEES

Section 1. Eligibility

- (a) **(See C-JGC Art. XII Sec. 1 (a))**

Section 2. Committees

- (a) The JGC shall have committees for Finance, Promotion and Fraternal Relations. Additional committees may include, but are not limited to: Rally, Jurisdictional Bethel, Miss JD Pageant, Educational Scholarships, Leadership and Philanthropic.
- (b) **(See SOP-JGC-3)**

ARTICLE IV FINANCE

Section 1. Receipts

- (a) **(See SOP-JGC-7)**

Section 2. Fees

- (a)-(c) **(See SOP-JGC-7)**

Section 3. Exemption

- (a) **(See SOP-JGC-7)**

Section 4. Disbursements

- (a)-(b) **(See SOP-JGC-7)**

**ARTICLE V
EDUCATIONAL AND PROMOTIONAL FUNDS**

Section 1.

- (a) Each JGC shall provide for a Promotional Fund.
- (b) Each JGC may provide for an Educational Fund and adopt regulations concerning loans and/or scholarship awards from that fund. Loans and/or scholarship awards shall be at the discretion of the JGC.
- (c)-(d) **(See SOP-JGC-6)**

**ARTICLE VI
DISCIPLINE AND REMOVAL FROM OFFICE**

Section 1. Discipline

- (a)-(b) **(See SOP-JGC-4)**

Section 2. Removal from Office

- (a)-(b) **(See SOP-JGC-4)**

**ARTICLE VII
FINES**

Section 1. Fines

- (a) **(See SOP-JGC-8)**

**ARTICLE VIII
APPEALS**

Section 1.

- (a) **(See SOP-JGC-1)**

**ARTICLE IX
MANUAL OF RULES AND REGULATIONS**

Section 1. Amendments

- (a)-(d) **(See SOP-JGC-13)**

**ARTICLE X
BOOK OF CEREMONIES**

Section 1.

- (a) **(See SOP-JGC-2)**

**ARTICLE XI
ELIGIBILITY**

Section 1.

- (a) No person shall be eligible for an office in a JGC unless she/he is a voting delegate thereof. If the JGC is in the USA, Canada or Australia the delegate shall be on the current list of CAVs provided by the Executive Manager.
- (b) In jurisdictions where Masons are prohibited from serving as Associate Jurisdictional Guardians or Vice Associate Jurisdictional Guardians, the Supreme Guardian may authorize the installation of eligible women to serve in those offices.

- (c) After the first appointment of the JGC Officers, no person shall be eligible to serve as a JGC Officer, except as Jurisdictional Secretary or Jurisdictional Treasurer, who has not served at least one (1) term as a Bethel Guardian or Associate Bethel Guardian of a chartered Bethel.
 - (1) Bethel Guardians and Associate Bethel Guardians who are completing their first term in said office at the time of the Annual Meeting of a JGC shall be eligible to serve as an officer of the JGC.
- (d) No member shall be eligible for the office of Jurisdictional Guardian or Associate Jurisdictional Guardian who has not served, or who is not completing service, as an officer of the same JGC for a period of one (1) term.
- (e) A Jurisdictional Guardian, Associate Jurisdictional Guardian, Vice Jurisdictional Guardian and Vice Associate Jurisdictional Guardian may serve two (2) consecutive terms. A Jurisdictional Secretary, Jurisdictional Treasurer or Jurisdictional Secretary/Treasurer may serve for four (4) consecutive terms.
- (f) An elected SGC officer shall not hold an office in the JGC.

ARTICLE XII APPOINTMENT, VOTING PRIVILEGES AND PROXY

Section 1. Appointment

- (a) Officers of the JGC shall be elected for recommendation at the Annual Meeting of the JGC from eligible members in attendance, unless unavoidably absent. The name(s) of all recommended officers shall be forwarded to the Vice Supreme Guardian sixty (60) days prior to her installation for approval and appointment.
- (b) Recommendation shall be by ballot without nomination.
- (c) A majority vote of those present and voting shall recommend.

Section 2. Election and Approval with Incorporation Requirements

- (a) In jurisdictions where incorporation is mandated by governmental laws, officers of the JGC shall be elected and approved as follows:
 - (1) Officers of the JGC shall be elected at the Annual Meeting of the JGC from eligible members in attendance, unless unavoidably absent. The name(s) of all elected officers shall be forwarded to the Vice Supreme Guardian sixty (60) days prior to her installation for approval.
 - (2) Election shall be by ballot without nomination.
 - (3) A majority vote of those present and voting shall elect.

Section 3. Voting Privileges

- (a) Members of the JGC shall be entitled to one (1) vote each when present at a special meeting or Annual Meeting of the JGC.

Section 4. Proxy

- (a) No member may have her/his vote cast by proxy except as follows:
 - (1) A proxy shall be issued to an Associate member of a BGC only if the Associate member has Masonic status or affiliation for eligibility to become an Executive member of a BGC.
 - (2) A proxy shall be limited to the particular Annual Session of the JGC for which it is issued and shall be duly certified by the Executive members of the BGC.
 - (3) No person shall have a proxy for more than one (1) office or be entitled to more than one (1) vote.

ARTICLE XIII TERM

Section 1.

- (a) The term of office is one (1) year.

Section 2.

- (a) All officers shall continue to perform the duties of their office until their successors have been installed.

**ARTICLE XIV
MEETINGS**

Section 1.

- (a) The Annual Meeting of the JGC shall be held in the month of May. The time and place of the Annual Meeting of the JGC shall be determined by each JGC.

**ARTICLE XV
PREROGATIVES EXTENDED TO JGC**

Section 1.

- (a) JGCs may provide for changes to portions of the Supreme Law in their Manual of Rules and Regulations. Areas which may be changed are identified below.
- (1) Provide for an Executive member of the BGC, unable to attend the Annual Session of the JGC to appoint an Associate member of the BGC as her/his proxy at that Annual Session. (See B-JGC Art. XII Sec. 3 (a))
 - (2) Adopt a Manual of Rules and Regulations. (See B-JGC Art. I Sec. 1(a))
 - (3) Approve the formation of a Jurisdictional Bethel. (See B-JGC Art. I Sec. (b))
 - (4) Fix and collect annual membership, registration and other fees. (See SOP-JGC-7)
 - (5) (Deleted by Amendment)
 - (6) (Deleted by Amendment)
 - (7) (Deleted by Amendment)
 - (8) Approve the formation of an Alumni Association which shall not conflict with the R&R of the AAJDI.
 - (9) Provide for dual membership within the jurisdiction. (See B-Bethel Art. II Sec. 3)