

**Knights of Saint Andrew, Memphis Chapter  
Valley of Memphis  
Orient of Tennessee  
Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry  
For the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States of America**

**CONSTITUTION**

**ARTICLE I - NAME**

The full name of this organization shall be the Memphis Knights of Saint Andrew. Alternative names that may be used by this organization include Knights of Saint Andrew, Memphis Chapter; Scottish Knights of Saint Andrew, Memphis Chapter; or reasonable variations or shortened forms thereof. Regardless of the name used, this organization shall operate as a chartered unit of the Valley of Memphis, Orient of Tennessee, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry of the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States of America.

**ARTICLE II - AUTHORIZATION**

The Chapter is chartered and authorized through the Valley, under the authority of the Sovereign Grand Inspector General or the Deputy of the Supreme Council for the Orient of Tennessee and his Personal Representative to the Valley.

**ARTICLE III - PURPOSES**

The Chapter shall exist to promote service, fellowship, education and heritage to the general membership of the Valley and to the general public.

**ARTICLE IV - MEMBERSHIP**

Section 1. Classes of Members

The Chapter shall have Active Members, as specified herein, and may have such other class or classes of Members as specified in the Bylaws.

## Section 2. Active Members

Active membership shall consist of those 32<sup>nd</sup> Degree members of the Valley who have not been honored with admission to the ranks of the Knight Commanders of the Court of Honor at the time of their petition; who have petitioned the Chapter for admission and been approved by vote of the Active Members as specified in the Bylaws; and who have paid the initiation fee and annual dues as set by vote of the Active Members as specified in the Bylaws. Active Members shall have such rights, privileges and duties as specified herein and/or as specified within the Bylaws.

## Section 3. Other Members

Rights, privileges and duties of any other class or classes of Members shall be as specified within the Bylaws.

## **ARTICLE V - OFFICERS**

The Active Members shall elect from among their membership the following officers, whose manner of election, terms of office, and respective rights, privileges, powers, and duties shall be as specified in the Bylaws: Chief Knight, Deputy Chief Knight, Knight Chief of Staff, Knight Bursar, and Knight Recorder. The Chief Knight may appoint such other officers as shall be specified in the Bylaws or as may be authorized by vote of the Active Members.

## **ARTICLE VI - MEETINGS**

Stated or Called meetings shall be held as specified in the Bylaws. The last Stated Meeting of each calendar year shall be deemed to be the Annual Meeting.

## **ARTICLE VII - BYLAWS**

Bylaws detailing the specifics of membership, meetings, officers, method of operation of the Chapter and such other matters as may be deemed reasonable to place therein shall be prepared

and submitted to the Chapter for approval.

### **ARTICLE VIII - AMENDMENTS**

This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the Active Members present at the Annual Meeting, provided that notice in writing of the proposed Amendment shall have been given at a preceding Stated or Called Meeting, and that notice in writing shall be mailed to the Active Membership at least one month prior to the Annual Meeting at which such proposed Amendment shall be considered. Any proposed Amendment to this Constitution must be submitted in writing to the Knight Recorder of this Chapter in sufficient time to be placed on the agenda for a Stated or Called Meeting to be held prior to the Annual Meeting and in sufficient time to be mailed to the Active Membership as stated herein. No Amendment shall become effective until approved by the Sovereign Grand Inspector General or the Deputy of the Supreme Council for the Orient of Tennessee.

**Ratified this 31st day of March, 2005.**

As amended by the Chapter and ratified by the SGIG for Tennessee as of April 2007.

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Timothy A. Gatewood, Past Chief Knight  
Knight Recorder