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ARTICLE 1 - GENERAL

SECTION A. Name of Organization

The name of this organization shall be the REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE OF LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT 15, herein after referred to as the "District".

Section B. Affiliation and Arizona Law Requirements
The "District" shall be organized and governed pursuant to A.R.S. 16-823, As it may be amended from time to time, and shall be affiliated with the Arizona Republican Committee and the Maricopa County Committee.

## Section C. Bylaw Applicability

These Bylaws shall conform to and be subject to the State, and County Republican Committee Bylaws and the Arizona Revised Statutes.

## Section D. Bylaw Effectiveness

These Bylaws shall take effect at the close of the meeting at which they Are adopted and shall continue in effect until amended in accordance With ARTICLE VII.

Section E. Parliamentary Authority
Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, shall govern this District In All matters of procedure not covered by these Bylaws or Arizona Revised Statutes.

## ARTICLE II - OBJECTIVES

Section A. The objectives of the "District" shall be:

1. To elect Republican Legislators in District 15;
2. To elect republican candidates at all levels;
3. To promote an informed electorate through political education;
4. To foster loyalty to the Republican Party and to maintain and promote Its principals;
5. to increase the effectiveness of Republican workers in the cause of Good government through active political participation.;
6. To promote Republican awareness and support Republican appointments
7. To appointed offices, commissions, and committees, at all levels.

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## ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

Section A. Precinct Committeemen
The membership of this organization shall consist of all duly elected and Appointed Precinct Committeemen of the District. An Elected or appointed Precinct Committeemen must be a registered Republican voter living within the District. Precinct Committeemen are elected in accordance with A.R.S. 16-821 at the party primary election held before each General Election.
Additional Precinct Committeemen may be appointed to fill vacancies left Following the election. Those appointed shall have been members in good Standing of the Republican Party for at least 90 days prior to their Appointment. Appointment and certification shall begin following Completion of District, County and State Statutory Organization meetings All District Precinct Committeemen are also members of the Maricopa County Republican Committee.

Section B. Number
Each precinct may elect at least one Precinct Committeeman plus An additional one for each 125 Republican voters (or major fraction Thereof) registered before January $2^{\text {nd }}$ of the General Election Year.

## Section C. Duties

The duties of the members of this organization shall be:

1. To attend all regular and special meetings of the District;
2. To attend all county statutory and mandatory meetings in person or by proxy;
3. To attend all State statutory and mandator meetings in Person or by proxy, if elected to serve on the State Committee;
4. To campaign and carry petitions in their respective precincts On behalf of Republican candidates;
5. To organize registration campaigns and at all times to offer assistance to those who wish to register within their precinct and the District;
6. To organize and assist workers withing their precinct and District to turn out a maximum Republican vote;
7. To help develop, maintain, and support a permanent Republican Precinct organization;

Section D. - Vacancies

1. In addition to other provisions of law regarding removal from office, A vacancy shall exist in the office of a precinct committeeman when the precinct committeeman moves from precinct from which elected or changes political party from the party in which the precinct

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committeeman was elected. (16-821-B)
2. The criteria used to establish when a vacancy exists in the office of a Precinct Committeeman shall be as established in ARS 38-291 and ARS 16-821-B:
a. An office shall be deemed vacant from and after the occurrence of any of the following events before the expiration of a term of office.

1. Death of the person holding the office.
2. Insanity of the person holding the office, when judicially determined.
3. Resignation of the person holding the office and the lawful acceptance of the resignation.
4. removal from the office of the person holding the office including the removal of a board or commission member by the appointing power before the expiration of the person's term of office.
5. If the office is elective, the person holding the office ceasing to to be a resident of the state, or, if the office is local, or from a legislative or congressional district, county, city, town or precinct for which the person was elected, or within which the duties of the person's office are required to be discharged.
6. Absence from the state by the person holding the office without the permission of the legislature, beyond the period of three consecutive months.
7. The person holding the office ceasing to discharge the duties of office for the period of three consecutive months.
8. Conviction of the person holding the office of a felony or an offense Involving a violation of the person's duties.
9. Failure of the person elected or appointed to the office to file the Person's official oath within the time prescribed by law.
10. A decision of a competent Tribunal declaring void the election or appointment of the person elected or appointed to the office.
11. Failure of a person to be elected or appointed to the office.
12. A violation of Section 38-296 by the person holding the office.

## ARTICLE IV - MEETINGS

Section A. Regular Meetings (even years)

In even numbered years, no fewer than ten (10) regular monthly Districts meetings will be held.

Section B. Regular Meetings (odd years)
In odd numbered years, no fewer than six (6) monthly District meetings Will be held.

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## Section C. Special/executive/Precinct Captains

Special meetings of the "District" may be called by the Chairman when necessary. They may also be called at the written request of at least one-third of the then serving Precinct Committeemen. The Chairman may call special meetings of the Executive Committee and the Precinct Captains, and shall call a special meeting of the Precinct Captains at the written request of a least five (5) Precinct Captains.

Section D. Statutory Organization Meeting
The Statutory Organization Meeting shall be held during the time period defined by A.R.S. 16-823 (at present, not earlier than the second Saturday following the General Election and no later than the first Saturday of the following December). Also, following reapportionment enactment effecting the "District" boundaries, a Statutory Organization Meeting shall be held withing 60 days (to allow for a meeting to elect a Nominating Committee and a subsequent meeting to elect new District Officers). refer to Section G, Quorum, for further information regarding reapportionment.

Section E. Quadrennial Convention Delegate Election Meeting The meeting to elect the District's State Quadrennial Convention Delegates shall be held at the first regular District Meeting, providing for a proper Meeting Notice, that follows official notification from the State Republican Committee as to the Convention date and the number of delegates allocated to the "District". A special District Meeting may be called if required by time constraints.

## Section F. Meeting Notice

A regular meeting date, time and place shall be established. Except as Noted below, Notice of Regular District meetings shall be mailed (postal or email) to each Precinct Committeeman not later than ten (10) days prior to the meeting, together with any pertinent information thereto. notification requirements for Election, Officer Removal, and Bylaw Amendment meetings are established in the corresponding ARTICLE and Sections governing those events. Note that email notification will be the only means of notification for all such election meetings unless otherwise directed by the District Chairman. LD-15 shall not utilize Precinct Committee email addresses except for the communication of "District' Information.

Section G. Quorum
A quorum for transaction of business shall be:

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1. Fifteen Percent (15\%) of the elected and appointed Precinct Committeemen for a regular, or special non-election meeting.
2. As required, a majority of the elected Precinct Committeemen, in person or by proxy for the District Statutory Organizational Meeting. For a Statutory Organizational Meeting resulting from reapportionment, "elected Precinct Committeemen" shall mean those Precinct Committeemen (elected or appointed) serving and residing within the new "District" boundaries 30 days prior to reapportionment enactment, in accordance with A.R.S.16-823;
3. Twenty-five (25\%) of the elected and appointed Precinct Committeemen present in person for a meeting to elect state Quadrennial Convention Delegates, where proxies are not permitted, (as per state bylaws);
4. Twenty-five percent (25\%) of the elected and appointed Precinct Committeemen, in person or by proxy for a Bylaws Amendment Ratification Meeting; for a meeting to remove a District Officer; or for a meeting to elect a new District Officer in the event of death, ineligibility, resignation, or following the removal in accordance with ARTICLE V;

## ARTICLE V - ORGANIZATION

## Section A. Officers/Executive Committee

1. The officers of this "District" shall consist of a Chairman, First and Second ViceChairmen, Secretary, and Treasurer. These officers shall constitute the voting members of the Executive Committee. Non-voting members of the Executive Committee shall include the appointed District Parliamentarian, and the appointed and elected Chairmen of the Standing Committees. Appointees shall be Precinct Committeemen from within the "District". These appointees shall serve at the pleasure of the District Chairman.
2. Officers shall be elected at the Statutory Organizational Meeting of the "District" prescribed by the Arizona Revised Statutes (See ARTICLE VI, Section C., for nomination and election eligibility and process).
3. Officers shall serve (subject to replacement) through the next Statutory meeting. All officers of the "District" shall be Precinct Committeemen of Arizona's Legislative District 15 and reside withing Legislative District 15 throughout their term of office.

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4. Any officer may be removed at any time for just cause, provided that a petition calling for the proposed removal vote (citing the alleged cause) is signed by a majority of the elected and appointed Precinct Committeemen and presented at a regular meeting. Official notice with a copy of the petition, proxy ad removal vote meeting date, shall then be mailed by the Secretary to each precinct Committeeman. This official notice shall be mailed at least 29 days before the meeting at which removal is to be voted upon. Removal of the District Chairman is subject to the Maricopa County Republican Bylaws.
5. Replacement; in the event of death, ineligibility, resignation, or removal of a District Officer, an election shall b called within 90 days unless the event occurs within one hundred and twenty (120) days of the next Statutory Organization Meeting. Until the new Election occurs, the First Vice-Chairman shall fill out the remainder of the term as Acting Chairman, and the District Executive Committee shall select a replacement of fill out the remaining term of other offices.

## Section B. Duties of Officers:

1. The duties of the Chairman, in addition to those specified int the County Bylaws, shall be;
a. To preside at all meetings of the "District" Organization;
b. To represent the "District" as a member of the Maricopa County Executive Guidance Committee and the State Executive Committee in accordance with the County and State Bylaws;
c. To keep members of the District Organization informed of the activities of the District, County, and State committees and to insure that the "District" is represented at all County and State meetings;
d. To appoint a Parliamentarian to attend all "District" meetings, be an exofficio member of the Executive Committee, and offer parliamentary guidance to all other "District Committees requesting same;
e. To appoint all other committee chairmen, with the advice of the Executive Committee;
f. Together with the Standing Committee Chairmen and the advice of the Executive Committee, establish and approve all committee programs;

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g. To regularly monitor the activities of the Standing committees to insure that their approved programs are progressing in a timely manner toward successful completion;
h. To insure that Precinct Captains are elected in a timely manner, and shall when necessary appoint temporary acting Captains until a Captain shall be selected by the Precinct Committeemen;
i. Where vacancies exist within the "District": to approve for appointment and submit the names of the qualified persons to serves as Precinct Committeemen to the Chairman of the Maricopa County Republican Committee;
j. When vacancies occur due to death, resignation, or
"District" residency to approve for appointment and submit the names of replacement State Committeemen to the Chair of the State Republican Party;
k. Mandatory Resignation: The District Chairman shall resign said chairmanship upon formal announcement of candidacy, or upon filing nominating petition, for any e3lecdtive public office except within Legislative District 15;
I. Upon election of a new District Chairman, initiate transfer of all District property and records in his possession to the new District Chairman withing 14 days.
2. The duties of the First Vice-Chairman shall be:
a. To preside at all District meetings when the Chairman is absent;
b. To perform any of the other non-appointive duties of the Chairman when so requested by the Chairman, or during the interval prior to the election of a new Chairman in the event of Replacement;
3. The duties of the Second Vice-Chairman shall be:
a. To assist the Chairman and First Vice-Chairman as requested;
b. To perform the specified non-appointed duties of both of these officers in their absence;
c. Fundraising for the District.
4. The duties of the secretary shall be:

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a. To take and keep minutes of all of the regular meetings, Executive Committee meetings and special meetings;
b. To keep a complete and maintain an up-to-date roster of District Officers, Precinct Captains, Precinct Committeemen, State Committeemen, State Convention Delegates and Alternates and elected Public and party Officers residing in the "District";
c. To maintain and transmit, within 14 days, the permanent records of the "District" to the successor upon change of the person holding the office of Recording Secretary;
d. Deliver recorded minutes of all meetings to the district officers and precinct committeemen;
e. To handle necessary correspondence at the direction of the District Chairman including mailing of meeting notices and official calls;
f. To perform all other duties as directed by the District Chairman.
5. The duties of the Treasurer shall be:
a. To establish and maintain a District bank account for which the District Chairman and the Treasurer shall be account signers;
b. When either, or both the Office Chairman, or Treasurer changes hands, the bank account signers shall be updated as soon as possible;
c. To receive and be custodian of all funds of the "District" and to pay all bills upon the authorization of the Chairman, as approved by the District Board;
d. To keep an account of all monies received and disbursed and to report month-to-month balance changes at regular meetings, and as required by the Chairman;
e. To submit an annual report to the "District" and such other reports as required by law.

Section C - Inspection of District Books
Upon a change in the person holding the office of Treasurer, after each Statutory Organizational Meeting, and from time to time as reasonably requested by the membership, the books of the "District" shall undergo an inspection by the District's Finance Committee.

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## Section D. - Precinct Captains

1. Selection

Within ten (10) days after the General Election, the Precinct Committeemen within each precinct shall elect from among their number a Precinct Captain.
2. Acting Precinct Captains

To maintain the continuity of Precinct election activity, "holdover" Precinct Captains shall continue as Acting Precinct Captains until after the General Election;

In Precincts where the previous Precinct Captain is no longer a Precinct Committeeman, the District Chairman shall appoint an Acting Precinct Captain who shall act until after the General Election.
3. Removal and/or Replacement

A new Precinct Captain may be elected at any time by a majority of the Precinct Committeemen of that Precinct voting in person, at a special Precinct meeting called by the District Chairman in response to a petition from the majority of said Precinct Committeemen.
4. Duties
a. Report the results of the Precinct Captain election to the District Chairman withing five (5) days;
b. Attend Precinct Captain Meetings called by the District Chairman;
c. Maintain Precinct walking and alphabetic registration lists;
d. Distribute copies of registration lists to Precinct Committeemen and volunteers as required;
e. Disseminate political activity information to Precinct Members not in attendance at District Meetings.
f. Organize the Precinct in the most efficient manner for distribution of campaign literature, collection of nomination petition signatures, and Get-Out-The-Vote activity;
g. Recruit volunteer workers;
h. Recommend appointees to the District Chairman for approval to fill Precinct Committeemen vacancies;
i. Organize Precinct registration drives;
j. Coordinate Precinct efforts in support of District, County and State Committee activities.

## Section E - State Committeemen

1. Number

The number of State Committeemen that may be elected at the district (Statutory) Organizational Election is equal to $1 / 3$ of the total number of Precinct Committeemen elected at the preceding Primary Election. The County Republican Committee may award additional State Committeemen Positions to the District if Extra State Committeeman positions are available to the County Committee. In any event, only elected Precinct Committeemen from District 15 may be elected (per A.R.S. 16-823-C).
2. Selection

For informational completeness the County Organizational Election also includes the election of the Republican County Chairman, Two Vice-Chairmen, a Secretary and a Treasurer. By law, the County Election must be held no later than the $2^{\text {nd }}$ Saturday of January following the General Election. All precinct Committeemen within a county are members of their County Committee, but only elected Precinct Committeemen may vote. This is one of the primary duties of an elected Precinct Committeeman.

## 3. Duties

Following the County Organizational Election, the State Committeemen must meet in Phoenix, (the city containing the state capital In accord with A.R.S., Title 16) to elect new State Party Officers. This includes the election of the Republican State Chairman, A Secretary and a Treasurer as well as the At-Large Members of the State Executive Committee (three At-Large members are elected from each Congressional District). By law the State Statutory Organizational Election must be held no later than the $4^{\text {th }}$ Saturday of January following the General Election. This is the primary duty of the elected State Committeemen. An additional Duty of the State Committeemen is to attend the State Mandatory meeting held in January of non-General Election years to elect additional State Party Officers, including Three Vice-Chairmen, an Assistant Secretary and Assistant Treasurer.

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Section F. Quadrennial Convention delegates

The State Republican Party holds a Quadrennial State/Congressional District Convention. This State Convention is held in the Spring of the presidential election year for the purpose of electing Delegates and Alternates to the Republican National Convention.

1. Number of Delegates and Alternates

District Delegates to the State/Congressional District Quadrennial Convention are elected at the Legislative District level and only from among the District Precinct Committeemen and other interested Registered Republicans from the District. The number of Delegates allocated to each District is based on its total number of Precinct Committeemen relative to the overall state total. The number of Delegates is determined by the State Party in advance of the convention. An equal number of District Alternative Delegates may also be elected.

## 2. Selection

The District elects State/Congressional District Convention Delegates and Alternates (with proper notice) at a regular District meeting held prior to the State Quadrennial Convention and following notification from the State Party as to the Convention date and the number of Delegates allocated to the District. A special District Meeting may be called when required to meet time constraints.

## 3. Duties

The principal purpose of the State Convention is to elect Delegates and Alternates to the Republican National Convention. A secondary function of the State Convention is the election of a National Committeeman and Committeewoman, who will serve four-year terms as members of the Republican National Committee. The selection of these National Delegates and Committeemen is the duty of the Quadrennial Conventions Delegate. In the event that elected District Delegates cannot attend, or are otherwise absent from a Quadrennial For convention vote, the next highest District Alternate Delegates present shall replace the missing Delegates for the vote at hand. Three National Convention Delegates are elected from each Congressional District with the remainder of the State's National Delegation elected At-Large. All Delegates to the State Convention vote to elect the At-large Delegates to the national Convention. Only Delegates residing in a Congressional District vote to elect their respective Congressional District Delegates to the National Convention.

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## Section A. Nominating Committee

## 1. Selection

> A Nominating Committee shall be nominated from the floor and elected at the regular October meeting prior to the Statutory Organization Meeting; or at a Special Meeting to be held within 30 days following the reapportionment enactment effecting District boundaries. Only newly Elected Precinct Committeemen shall be eligible to nominate, vote for or be elected to the Nominating Committee (no proxy votes are allowed). For purposes of this election, elected precinct Committeemen will be determined by Maricopa County Board certification, or by unofficial County Election vote count if certification has not yet occurred)
> For a Nominating Committee Election Meeting resulting from reapportionment, See ARTICLE IV Meetings, Section G.2. for the definition of the term "elected Precinct Committeemen." In either event, the Nominating Committee shall serve for the period through the following Primary Election. Vacancies occurring between elections shall be filled via appointment by the District Chairman.
2. Number

The Nominating Committee shall consist of no more than five members elected by plurality vote, following nominations from the floor. A tie vote for the last position shall be broken by a second ballot among the tied candidates. The candidate receiving the highest vote shall be the Committee Chairman, or in the event of a tie, the committee shall elect their own chairman. The Nominating Committee election vote shall be tallied by the outgoing Tally Committee Members who are not nominated candidates for this election. The tally shall be conducted by at least 3 members. The District Chairman shall select supplementary Tally members up to a total of 3 , if less than 3 Tally Committee members are available.

## 3.Duties

The duties of the Nominating Committee are to handle the nomination of Officers, State Committeemen, convention Delegates, and the nomination for other elections as may occur during their term of office and to participate in the Conduct of Elections process as indicated in the Standing Rules and Procedures.

Section B. Credentials and Tally Committee

1. Selection

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The District Chairman shall recruit and appoint a Credentials \& Tally Committee of at least 3 and no more than 7 members. The Committee shall select one of their number as Chairman of Credentials and Tally Committee. If additional Credential and Tally Committee members are required to expedite the election task (due to the number of Precinct Committeemen and ballots to be processed) the District Chairman may recruit additional members at the election, as required.
2. Duties

The duties of the Credentials Committee are to prepare the ballots; conduct the verification and sign-in registration of eligible Precinct Committeemen and of proxies which they may be carrying; distribution of the corresponding ballot entitlement tags, as may be utilized; certification of the number of eligible votes in person at close of registration; handle ballot distribution and pickup during voting. The Credentials Committee shall not approve a proxy that has been altered. The duties of the Tally Committee are to tally and report the vote count. See details of the elections process In the District Standing Rules and Procedures.

## 3. Candidate Observers to the Tally Committee

The candidates for District Chairman, and for First and Second Vice-Chairman may designate one representative each, as Tally observers.

## Section C. Nomination of Officers

1. Within five (5) days following the election of the Nominating committee, and at the direction of the District Chairman the Corresponding Secretary shall issue the call for District Officer candidates to all duly elected Precinct Committeemen. The call shall state:
a. The place, date, and time of the Statutory Organizational meeting (provided that the date shall fall within the time period defined by A.R.S. 16-823; see ARTICLE IV Meetings Section D of these Bylaw for additional information).
b. The list of offices to be elected,
c. The number of State Committeemen to be elected,
d. That any elected Precinct Committeeman desiring to run for any District Office, and/or for State Committeeman shall submit his or her name, and the title of the office sought, in writing or by email to any member of the Nominating Committee within 10 days from the issuance of the Call (the final date for submitting shall be stated in the Call). If the name of a person is submitted by someone other than the individual Precinct Committeeman, then that person

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must appear at the meeting election and verify in person their candidacy. Otherwise the name will be stricken.
e. The names, addresses, email addresses and phone numbers of the Nominating Committee members to whom the notices of candidacy may be submitted.
2. In the event that there are no Precinct Committeemen offering their candidacy for a given office, it will be the responsibility of the Nominating Committee to seek out one or more qualified individuals to run for each such unsought office.
3. Immediately following the period for submission of candidacy, and prior to ballot preparation for District Officers, the Nominating Committee shall interview the candidates and shall apprise the candidates of the duties of the corresponding office to ensure that they are aware of their responsibilities and agree to conduct them in good faith, if elected.
4. The names of the Candidates shall be reported to the District Chairman within 3 days following the final date for candidate submission. At the direction of the District Chairman, the Credentials Committee will prepare the ballot (paper, punch card or other as appropriate) with names of the candidates for each office appearing in alphabetic order.
5. The regular 10-day meeting notice shall include a proxy form and a list of District Officer and State Committeeman candidates submitted by the Nominating Committee.

## Section D. Election of State Committeemen

1. State Committeemen are elected by the District at the Statutory organizational meeting. (A.R.S. 16-823)
2. At the District Statutory Organizational Meeting, State Committeemen shall be elected from a ballot alphabetically listing the names of all elected District 15 Precinct Committeemen who have themselves personally submitted, in writing or by email, their desire to serve as State Committeeman, during the 10-day submitting period designated in the Meeting Call.
3. Note that, only District 15 Precinct Committeemen newly elected at the Primary Election from District 15 may be nominated for State Committeemen.
4. In the event that fewer committeemen than the district quota have submitted their desire to serve as State Committeemen, the Nominating Committee shall seek out qualified District 15 Committeemen to fill out the quota. The Nominating committee Shall consider the following criteria:

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a. The relative degree and devotion with which the Precinct Committeeman has fulfilled his or her duties, as expressed in ARTICLE III, Section C. of the District Bylaws;
b. The extent to which the Committeeman has participated in special District, County, and State Committee registration, early ballot, and Get-Out-The Vote drives, and other special party activities;
c. The commitment with which the Precinct Committeeman has aided the District Chairman, as requested, including participation and quality of work performed on Standing and Special committees.
5. The list or State Committeemen candidates shall be reported to the District Chairman within 3 days following the final date for candidate submission. At the direction of the District Chairman, the Credentials Committee shall prepare the ballot (paper, punch card, or other as appropriate) with names appearing alphabetically. Ballot provisions shall be made for nominations from the floor at the meeting; floor nominees must express or have expressed, in writing or by email their desire to serve as a State Committeeman.

## Section E. Election of State Quadrennial Convention Delegates

1. State Convention Delegates and Alternates are elected at the District State Quadrennial Convention Delegates Election Meeting.
2. Within five (5) days following official notification from the State Party of the State Convention date and the number of Delegates to be elected by the District, the Corresponding Secretary, at the direction of the District Chairman, shall issue the call to all elected and appointed Precinct Committeemen. The Call shall state:
3. Note that, only Precinct Committeemen, or Registered Republicans from within District 15 may be nominated.
4. In the event that fewer Committeemen than the "District" quota have submitted their desire to serve as a Delegate, the Nominating committee shall seek out qualified District 15 Committeemen to fill out the quota. The Nominating Committee shall consider the same criteria used for the selection of State Committeemen Candidates.
5. The list of Delegate candidates to the State Quadrennial Convention shall be reported to the District Chairman withing 3 days following the final date for candidate submission. At the direction of the Chairman, the Credentials Committee shall prepare the ballot (paper, punch card or other as appropriate) with names of candidates appearing alphabetically. Additional names may be nominated from the floor, including any additional District 15 Precinct Committeemen, or registered Republican resident
within the District, floor nominees must express or have expressed I writing or by email their desire to serve as a Convention Delegate.
6. The Delegate election meeting will normally be held at the time of the next regular meeting (unless the time constraints of the State Convention date require a special Meeting). In any event, the Meeting Call shall provide for the regular ten (10) day meeting notice at a minimum.

## Section F. Voting and Elections

## 1. Eligibility

Eligibility to vote in District elections varies with the type of election
a. District Statutory Organizational Election: All elected Precinct Committeemen voting in person are eligible
b. District Statutory organization Election (resulting from reapportionment enactment affecting the district boundaries): All Precinct Committeemen serving and residing within the new District boundaries 30 days prior to the reapportionment enactment, voting in person are eligible.
c. District Election of Delegates and Alternates to the State Quadrennial Convention: All elected and appointed Precinct Committeemen, appointed before the cutoff date designated by the State Republican Committee, are allowed to vote in person (no proxy voting is permitted).
d. District By-Law Ratification Vote, Officer Removal Vote, and Officer Replacement Election: All elected and appointed precinct Committeemen voting in person are eligible.
e. District Nominating Committee Election: All elected Precinct Committeemen voting in person are eligible (no Proxy voting is permitted).
f. District Nominating Committee Election (Resulting from reapportionment enactment effecting the District boundaries: All Precinct Committeemen serving and residing within the new District boundaries30 days prior to the reapportionment enactment, voting in person are eligible (no Proxy voting is permitted).
2. Identification of Voters

Eligible precinct Committeemen shall present a photo ID with an address that matches the District roll. In the event the address on the photo ID does not match the rolls, a photo ID presented with two forms of identification indicating the residence address (utility bills) may be accepted.

## 3. Voting Method

Voting shall be by secret ballot except where only one nominee is being considered for an office, in which case a voice vote may be used.

## 4. Proxies

a. Precinct Committeemen eligible to vote at a District Election may give their Proxy to any registered Republican voter of the same Precinct, for any District Election allowing appearance only by Proxy. In the event that a precinct has a total of three or less Precinct Committeemen, the form may also be given to a precinct Committeeman from an adjacent Precinct. The form of the district proxy shall be as illustrated by the sample proxy in the District Standing Rules \& Procedures, which shall conform to that approved by the Maricopa County Republican Committee but may not provide for using a proxy to cast the vote of another Precinct Committeeman
b. A power of attorney or other form of proxy is not valid for use by any person in any procedure or transaction concerning elections, including voter registrations, petition circulation or signature, voter registration cancellations, early ballot requests or voting another person's ballot, (ARS 16-102 and ARS 16-191)

## 5. Conduct of Elections

All District Elections shall be conducted in accordance with the procedures laid out in the District Standing Rules and Procedures.
6. Nominating Speeches

Each candidate for District Office may have nominating and seconding speeches. The length of the speeches shall be defined in the District Standing Rules.

## 7. Election to Office

At a District Election Meeting at which a quorum is present (See Article IV, Section G, Quorum)
a. District Officers shall be elected by a majority of the votes cast. If no candidate receives a majority on the first ballot, a majority vote on a second ballot between the two candidates receiving the highest number of votes in the first ballot shall be the winner. In case of a tie on the second ballot, re-balloting will continue until a winner is determined. If the winning vote is by $1 \%$ or less, a candidate may ask for a re-count of the ballots cast. (i. e., if 99 votes are cast, and the result is 50 to 49 , the losing candidate may ask for and receive a ballot recount; if 300 votes are cast, and the result is 151 to 149 , the losing candidate may ask for and receive a ballot re-count).
b. State Committeemen shall be elected (per ARS 16-823) at the District Statutory Organizational Meeting by a plurality vote with those receiving the highest vote count nominated until the District's quota has been filled. (There are no alternate nominees for State Committeemen). If there is a tie vote for the last positions, those tied shall draw lots to determine the final positions.

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c. State Quadrennial Convention Delegates shall be elected by a plurality vote in the same manner as State Committeemen, except that an equal number of Alternates shall also be elected by plurality vote. Alternates shall be those Delegate Candidates receiving the next highest votes below the Elected Delegates. In the case of a tie for the last Delegate positions, those not achieving Delegate status by the draw will be the top Alternate Delegates. In the same manner, a tie for the last Alternate positions will be determined by drawing lots.

## 8. Resolutions

a. All resolutions not initiated by the Rules Committee must be submitted 20 days in advance of the next regular meeting.
b. All resolutions approved by the Rules Committee shall be sent to Precinct Committeemen with the Call to Meeting. Resolutions rejected by the Rules Committee can be considered pursuant to the Floor Resolution procedure outlined in Article VII, Section F, number 7c.
c. Recognizing that good governance does not always follow a regular schedule, resolutions not timely presented to the Rules Committee may be brought to the floor if initiated by petition signatures of $25 \%$ of District PC's. These resolutions shall be limited to 250 words or less. Each such resolution must be submitted in sufficient copies for all PC's present and must be read aloud prior to vote.

## 9. Certification of Election

a. District Statutory Organizational Election results may be certified to the District Chairman by the Chairman of the Tally Committee. The certified results shall be signed by the Tally Committee and the Tally Representatives of the candidates for District Chairman.
b. The District Chairman shall announce the results of the District Officer Elections to the meeting upon completion of the officer vote count. Upon announcement of officer election results, the newly elected District Chairman shall preside over the remainder of the meeting. A list of elected Officers and State Committeemen Nominees shall be included with the next regular meeting notice.
c. State Quadrennial Convention Delegate Election results shall be certified to the District Chairman by the Chairman of the Tally Committee. The certified results shall be signed by the Tally Committee.
d. The newly elected District Chairman shall certify the election results of Officers, and State Committeeman Nominees within 7 days following the elections.
e. The District Chairman shall certify the election results of State Quadrennial Convention Delegates and Alternates to the Chairman of the Arizona Republican Party within 3 days following the election.
f. In addition to certified tally results, all ballots (both used and spare) shall be turned over to the new District Chairman at the close of elections to be processed in accordance with District Standing Rules and procedures.

## ARTICLE VII - BYLAWS AMENDMENT PROCEDURE

Section A. Introduction of Amendments.

1. Proposed Amendments shall be introduced at any regular meeting of the District. Such Proposed Amendments will be accepted for consideration if presented by the District Executive Committee, or if presented by individual District Precinct Committeemen accompanied by a petition (citing the Proposed Amendment[s]) signed by $25 \%$ of the elected and appointed Precinct Committeemen.
2. Official notice of an Amendment Ratification Meeting (scheduled jointly with the next regular meeting), together with a copy of the Proposed Amendment, will then be mailed with a proxy form by the Corresponding Secretary to each Precinct Committeeman. This official notification shall be mailed at least 20 days before the next regular meeting.

Section B. Amendment Ratification Meeting

1. The Credentials and Tally Committee shall handle all matters of voting credentials, ballots and vote tally according to the conduct of election procedures laid out in the District Standing Rules \& Procedures (See ARTICLE VIII)
2. The Proposed Amendments will be reviewed by the District membership at the Amendment Ratification Meeting. This meeting will afford an opportunity for presentations (pro and con), questions and answers, and motions to amend. Motions to change the proposed amendments may be accepted by a majority of those present and eligible to vote.
3. If major changes are made, the proponents may decide to withdraw their Original Amendments, as modified.
4. Following approval of a motion to amend the Proposed Amendments, if any, (and if not withdrawn by the proponents) the Proposed Amendments, as modified, will be submitted to a Ratification Vote of the Precinct Committeemen.

## Section C. Amendment Ratification

1. Amendment Ratification is effected by a $2 / 3$ vote of the Precinct Committeemen present in person or by proxy (Refer to Article IV, Section G, 4 for Quorum
2. An amendment that fails to be ratified may not be reintroduced for at lease six months after the failed Ratification Vote.
3. Amendments achieving Ratification shall become effective upon adjournment of the meeting at which they are ratified.

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Section D. Reintroduction of a Failed Amendment
An amendment that fails to be ratified may not be re-introduced for at least six months after the failed Ratification Vote.

Section E. Effectivity of Ratified Amendment

Amendments achieving Ratification shall become effective upon adjournment of the meeting at which they are ratified.

## ARTICLE VIII - COMMITTEES

Section A. Standing Committees
Standing Committees shall be composed of duly elected and appointed Precinct Committeemen. Members shall be appointed by the Chairman. The duties of each committee will be as follows:

1. Nominations Committee
a. Fulfill the duties outlined in Article VI, Section A, Number 3
b. Recruit candidates for elected positions
c. Interview potential candidates
d. Arrange for Public Debates for candidates
2. Elections and Tally Committee
a. Fulfill the duties outlined in Article VI, Section B, Number 2
3. Rules Committee
a. Consider resolutions, rule changes, and amendments; and propose suggested changes to the Executive Committee and the membership at large
b. Monitor Arizona Revised Statutes, State Rules, and County Bylaw changes to insure alignment with LD15 Bylaws.
c. Assist the Chairman, Parliamentarian, and membership with interpretation of the rules.
4. Finance Committee
a) Periodically review the financial statements of LD15

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b) Assist the Treasurer and Chairman as necessary
5. Appeal Committee
a) Listen to and identify the concerns of any precinct Committeeman regarding Rules and Procedures
b) Research and investigate concerns brought by members
c) Fairly adjudicate concerns and issues

Section B. Special Committees
The LD15 Chairman shall be able to appoint committees as necessary. The scope and breath of these Special Committees shall be limited to their specific purpose

## ARTICLE IX - STANDING RULES AND PROCEDURES

Meeting and Election Procedures, Standard Forms (such as Proxies, etc.) are documented under separate Standard Rules and Procedures that may be changed as required without Bylaws Amendments.

## ARTICLE X - CURRENT BYLAWS CERTIFICATE

These District Bylaws were ratified by vote of the District Precinct Committeemen on

APPENDIX

Proxy Form

PC Appointment Form
Resignation Form

## LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT 15 REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE PROXY <br> KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That I,
(print the name of the person making the appointment - the person not attending the meeting)
the undersigned Precinct Committeeman in $\qquad$ Precinct,
Legislative District $\qquad$ , Maricopa County, State of Arizona, do hereby constitute and appoint
(print the name of the appointee - the person attending the meeting)

## (print the address of the appointee)

a Registered Republican in the same precinct, as my Attorney-in-Fact and Proxy, in my name and stead, at the scheduled $\qquad$ Meeting of the $\qquad$ , to be held on (date) $\qquad$ at (time) $\qquad$ , at (location) $\qquad$ ( $\qquad$ .

My named Proxy is hereby appointed for the transaction of any and all business that may properly come before the meeting, and I do hereby approve, ratify, and confirm all of the acts of my named Proxy.

WITNESS my hand this $\qquad$ day of $\qquad$ , 20 $\qquad$
SIGNED:
Precinct Committeeman (not attending meeting)
Phone $\qquad$ Email $\qquad$
Note: The signature of the Precinct Committeeman not attending the meeting shall be witnessed by two individuals other than the two principals OR attested to by a Notary Public.

WITNESS 1 (other than appointee/appointer)

WITNESS 1 (printed name)

## Street Address

City, State, Zip Code

## Phone

STATE OF ARIZONA )
COUNTY OF MARICOPA )

WITNESS 2 (other than appointee/appointer)

WITNESS 2 (printed name)

Street Address

City, State, Zip Code

Phone

This instrument was acknowledged before me this $\qquad$ day of $\qquad$ , 20 $\qquad$
My Commission Expires
$\qquad$

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MARICOPA COUNTY REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE Request for Precinct Committeeman Appointment
Congressional Supervisor Legislative
District $\qquad$ District $\qquad$ District $\qquad$ Precinct $\qquad$

Request is hereby made of the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors that the following named Person be appointed to the office of: PRECINCT COMMITTEEMAN in the above named precinct.

FULL AND COMPLETE NAME AS REGISTERED TO VOTE. PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

## Street/City/Zip Code

$\overline{\text { Address, if Different }}$ Mailing

Home Phone $\qquad$ DATE OF BIRTH $\qquad$

Number of PC's authorized for Precinct $\qquad$

Cell Phone $\qquad$

Email address $\qquad$
Voter ID\# $\qquad$

Number of Vacancies $\qquad$

VERIFY THAT THE INDIVIDUAL IS REGISTERED TO VOTE AT THE ABOVE ADDRESS

## Applicant's Signature Date

Precinct Captain's signature, if applicable Date

District Chairman's signature Date

MCRC Chairman signature Date

MCRC PC APP 02-24-2009
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## MARICOPA COUNTY REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE Submission of resignation

 from the office of:__X_Precinct Committeeman __X_State Committeeman __X_Precinct Captain
For $\qquad$ Precinct, Legislative District $\qquad$
Reason for resignation:
$\qquad$ Moved out of Precinct $\qquad$ Moved out of County $\qquad$ No longer able to Serve

Name $\qquad$
Address $\qquad$
Signature $\qquad$ (if available)

New Address $\qquad$
Phone $\qquad$ Date $\qquad$
District Chairman's Signature $\qquad$
Date Processed at MCRC
December 19, 1994. This form replaces all previous P.C. resignation forms.

