

CONSTITUTIONS  
of the  
NORTH CAROLINA COLLEGE  
SOCIETAS ROSICRUCIANA IN CIVITATIBUS FOEDERATIS  
*Revised June 21, 2019*

**I NAME**

This organization shall be known as THE NORTH CAROLINA COLLEGE SOCIETAS ROSICRUCIANA IN CIVITATIBUS FOEDERATIS.

**II OBJECTS**

1. The aim of the Society is to afford mutual aid and encouragement in working out the great problems of Life; and in searching out the secrets of Nature; to facilitate the study of the system of Philosophy founded upon the Kabbalah and the doctrine of Hermes Trismegistus, which was inculcated by the original Fratres Rosae Crucis, A.D. 1450; and to investigate the meaning and symbolism of all that now remains of the wisdom, art and literature of the ancient world.
2. To publish the transactions of the College, which shall:
  - (a) Contain the excerpts of the business transacted within the College and the papers read therein as well as the discussions thereon and papers contributed for publication.
  - (b) Be available to members of the College proper, the cost to be included in their annual dues.
  - (c) Be available to its Honorary members and other members of the Society who are not members of the North Carolina College.
  - (d) To bear the particular name and title of "LVX".

**III OBEDIENCE**

This College owes allegiance to, and is governed by the Constitution of THE HIGH COUNCIL SOCIETATIS ROSICRUCIANA IN CIVITATIBUS FOEDERATIS.

**IV JURISDICTION**

1. This College holds exclusive jurisdiction over the State of North Carolina and with the other Colleges, concurrent jurisdiction over all other territory of the United States of America in which there is not a College of the Society under Charter of Dispensation from High Council.
2. This College shall not invite or accept candidates rejected by any other College.
3. This College recognizes any Frater from a Society recognized by the High Council.

## **V CANDIDATES**

1. No candidate shall be admitted to membership in this College unless he is a Master Mason in good standing, of good moral character, intelligent, possessed of a mind free from prejudice, anxious for instruction, and of the Christian Faith.
2. The names of all proposed candidates for membership shall be submitted to the Chief Adept and College High Council for scrutiny. The deadline for any nominations for proposed membership is the January stated meeting each year.
3. Unanimous consent of the College High Council shall be necessary for admission to the College grades of the First Order. Written or oral objection by any member of the College High Council made to the Chief Adept shall be sufficient cause for withdrawal of any nominations for membership.
4. All candidates accepted for membership shall be inducted at the Annual Convocation held in June of each year.

## **VI MEMBERSHIP LIMIT**

This College shall consist of not more than seventy-two (72) active members, who shall have a voice and vote in the matters pertaining to the College, so far as such matters pertain to the rank of Frater.

## **VII THE ORDERS**

1. The Grades within the jurisdiction of this College are:

### ***First Order***

- First Grade ZELATOR
- Second Grade THEORICUS
- Third Grade PRACTICUS
- Fourth Grade PHILOSOPHUS

### ***Second Order***

- Fifth Grade ADEPTUS JUNIOR
- Sixth Grade ADEPTUS SENIOR
- Seventh Grade ADEPTUS EXEMPTUS

2. The other Grades are controlled by High Council, to wit:

### ***Third Order***

- Eighth Grade MAGISTER TEMPLI
- Ninth Grade MAGUS (CHIEF ADEPT)

3. The following appellations are to be used:

- (a) Most Worthy, to be used by the Supreme Magus only.
- (b) Right Worthy, to be used by Fratres holding the VIII° and IX°.
- (c) Very Worthy, to be used by Celebrants and Suffragans who are not VIII° and IX°.
- (d) Worthy, to be used by Fratres holding the I° through VII°.

## **VIII FEES**

1. The fees for the First Order shall be one hundred dollars (\$100.00); there shall be no fee for advancement into the Second Order.
2. The Annual Dues shall be due and payable one year in advance, the amount to be determined by the College at its Annual Convocation each and every year.

## **IX GRADE DESIGNATION**

1. Membership in any Grade shall be designated by Roman numerals following the name. Thus: Jonathan John, IV<sup>o</sup>.
2. Honorary Membership shall be designated by Arabic numerals following the name. Thus: Jonathan John, 4<sup>o</sup>.

## **X MOTTO**

1. Every Frater shall, on admission to the College, choose a Latin Motto to be registered with the Secretary/Treasurer and appended to his signature in all communications relating to the Society.
2. No Motto, under any pretext, shall be changed after it is registered and no two Fratres may adopt the same Motto.

## **XI DISCIPLINE**

In matters of discipline, the verdict of the College is effective until reversed by High Council, to whom a Frater may appeal within six months after the awarding of a Penalty.

## **XII OFFICERS**

The Officers of this College shall be styled and take rank as follows:

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| 1. Chief Adept          | 10. First Herald            |
| 2. Celebrant            | 11. Second Herald           |
| 3. Suffragan            | 12. Torch Bearer            |
| 4. Secretary/Treasurer  | 13. Guardian of the Caverns |
| 5. First Ancient        | 14. Medalist                |
| 6. Second Ancient       | 15. Acolyte                 |
| 7. Third Ancient        | 16. Librarian               |
| 8. Fourth Ancient       | 17. Historian               |
| 9. Conductor of Novices | 18. Prelate                 |

The Chief Adept and Secretary/Treasurer are appointed by the Supreme Magus. Each is subject to removal by the same authority or by the High Council. The Celebrant, Suffragan, and four Ancients shall be elected each year at the Annual Convocation by ballot, and a

majority of votes cast shall constitute election. The remaining officers shall be appointed by the Chief Adept. All officers, if possible, shall be inducted into office the day of their election or appointment. To be eligible for offices above that of First Ancient, a Frater must have attained the Seventh Grade. All officers shall hold their respective offices until their successors are elected and installed.

The duties of all Officers are specified in the Constitutions of the High Council.

### **XIII CONVOCATIONS**

1. Regular convocations of this College shall be held at such place and hour as the Chief Adept shall direct. Special meetings may be called at any time at his discretion.
- 2 The convocation held in June of each year shall be deemed the Annual Convocation of the College, at which it shall be obligatory for every member to attend, or send a written excuse to the Chief Adept or Secretary/Treasurer. Any Frater failing herein shall be subject to an immediate summons. Failure to answer said summons within thirty days shall result in the Frater being stricken from the register of active members. A collation at the annual convocation is obligatory.

### **XIV QUORUM**

1. The College may open and transact business provided the Chief Adept, Celebrant, or Suffragan and two Fratres are present.
2. All business shall be transacted in the lowest Grade of the Order thereby permitting members of the lower grades to participate in the deliberations of the College.

### **XV AMENDMENTS**

These Ordinances may be altered, changed, amended or revised at any Convocation of the College, by a majority vote of the Fratres present, provided thirty days previous notice has been given of the proposed change; or by unanimous vote of the Fratres present at any Convocation provided as many as two-thirds of the entire membership is present. All changes must be approved by the Supreme Magus.