

## Article 3 - Election of Officers

RULE 768 A Candidate for the office of President or Vice President shall be a past or present State Board Member or Area Governor. (Revised 11/14/06)(6/2/15)

RULE 768.1 (Deleted 6/2/15)

RULE 768.2 A candidate for President or Vice President must meet the qualifications for the office as specified in Rules 768 and must submit to the Chairman of the State Nominating Committee by April 15 of each year a SIR Form 43 - Declaration of Candidacy - and the background data requested on the Form 43. Refer to Rule 769 for an exception. (Revised 11/11/08)(8/1/16)

RULE 768.3 A candidate for Chief Administrative Officer, State Secretary, State Treasurer, Assistant State Secretary or Assistant State Treasurer must be an active member of Sons In Retirement, and must submit to the Chairman of the State Nominating Committee by April 15 of each year a SIR Form 43 - Declaration of Candidacy for State Elected Office - and the background data requested on the Form 43. Refer to Rule 769 for an exception. (New 11/11/08)(8/1/16)

**Rule 769 The Nominating Committee shall submit its recommendations to the President not later than June 1. The President shall then cause a ballot to be created that includes all qualified candidates who have submitted their SIR Form 43, background data and have been vetted by the Nominating Committee. The ballot may also indicate the Nominating Committee's recommendation for each of the candidates. Additional nominations may be made from the floor at the Annual Meeting. A nominee from the floor must signify his agreement to accept the office if elected. (Revised 1/19/18)**

RULE 769.1 There shall be no display of campaign materials of any kind in or around the premises of the Annual Meeting place. (New 11/8/17)

**RULE 770 Not less than 30 days prior to the Annual Meeting, the State Secretary shall notify those entitled to vote the date, time and place of the meeting. The notice shall contain a list showing the names and background data of the candidates for State offices designated and indicating the Nominating Committees recommendations. (Revised 4/18/00, 6/20/2015 by the State Executive Committee.) (Confirmed 4/5/2016) (Revised 1/19/18)**

**The notice shall list each candidate's name, branch number, qualifying data, and a brief resume (250 words or less), from the candidate, for each designated State Office. The nominating committee may indicate their recommended candidate for each office. (New 1/19/18)**

RULE 771 All State chairmen and appointees, although not eligible to vote, should register in lieu of roll call at the Annual Meeting. (Revised 9/19/00)

**RULE 772 In lieu of roll call at the Annual Meeting, each qualified voter, at the time of registration, shall receive a ballot. This ballot shall contain: a. Names of the candidates for State Offices. b. Write-in space for the names of other eligible candidates nominated from the floor and who are willing to serve if elected. (Revised 1/19/18)**

RULE 773 Voting shall be by secret ballot, provided, that for any office for which there is but one nominee, voting may be by voice or by show of hands.

**RULE 774 Prior to the Annual Meeting, the President shall appoint a committee of three to serve as tellers in the event that more than one candidate is nominated for any office. A committee member shall be a Regional Director, Area Governor or a Big Sir. Revised 11/11/08, 6/2/15,4/5/16,8/1/16, 11/8/17, 1/19/18 Revised 1/19/18**