



A Non-Profit Public Benefit Corporation for Retired Men  
Devoted to the Promotion of Independence and Dignity of Retirement

# THE SIR MANUAL

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## INSTRUCTIONS

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Pages in this Manual that were revised since Edition 6/5/07 are dated 7/14/07.

On the website is the file "**Checklist for Edition 7/14/07**" wherein changed pages are highlighted.

On the website is the separate file "**Revised Pages Only for Edition 7/14/07**" for easy printing.

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**Replace the Cover Page and Rules Page 46.**

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Article 4 - Regional Director

RULE 780. The territory within the geographic boundaries of Sons In Retirement, Incorporated, shall consist of the following Regions:

- Region No. 1 ..... Areas 12, 23 and 26
- Region No. 2 ..... Areas 19, 30, and 3
- Region No. 3 ..... Areas 3, 9, 14 and 27
- Region No. 4 ..... Areas 17, 18 and 3 (Revised 4/15/03)
- Region No. 5 ..... Areas 1, 4 and 16 (Revised 7/14/07 - Area 4 inactive eff. 1/1/08)
- Region No. 6 ..... Areas 2, 7, 8 and 24 (Revised 4/13/04)
- Region No. 7 ..... Areas 5, 10, 20 and 21
- Region No. 8 ..... Areas 22, 29 and 34
- Region No. 9 ..... Areas 15 and 33 (Revised 11/14/06)
- Region No. 10 ..... Areas 6, 13 and 25 (New 4/15/03)

RULE 781. Each Region shall have a Regional Director. The Area Governors in each Region shall meet on or before September 1 upon the call of the Regional Director for that Region and, by majority vote, elect a Regional Director for a one-year term to commence on January 1 of the following year.

The Regional Director shall act as Chairman and shall have no vote except to break a tie in the balloting.

The Chairman shall promptly report the results of the election to the State Secretary.

RULE 782. In the absence or unavailability of the Regional Director, the Area Governor of the lowest numbered Area in the Region shall call the meeting and act as Chairman with the right to vote. In the case of a tie vote the State Vice President shall be notified, and after reviewing the applicants' qualifications he shall cast the deciding vote. (Revised 11/16/04)

RULE 783. If an Area Governor is absent or otherwise unable to participate in the election of the Regional Director, the Big Sirs and Little Sirs of the Branches in the Area shall, by majority vote at a meeting called by the Big Sir or Little Sir of the earliest Charter Date, designate one of their number to serve in the Area Governor's stead. (Revised 9/28/99)

RULE 784. A candidate for the office of Regional Director must be willing to serve and must be a past or present Area Governor, or must have held or is holding the office of Big Sir, Little Sir, Secretary or Treasurer of a Branch in that Region, singly or in combination, for at least two years at the time he assumes the office. A past or present Area Governor is the preferred qualification. The Office of a Regional Director shall be vacated upon his transfer to a Branch in a Region other than the one in which he was elected and the vacancy shall be filled at the earliest possible date in an election conducted as provided in Rules 781 and following. (Revised 9/13/05)

RULE 785. Regional Directors shall serve one-year terms and be restricted to three consecutive terms, excluding any partial year immediately preceding the first such year. If a Director vacates the position for one or more calendar years, eligibility is reestablished. (Revised 6/3/03)

RULE 786. Each Regional Director shall submit to the President by April 25, July 25, October 25 and January 25 of the following year a report on the status of Areas within his Region. The Director who submitted the previous three reports shall prepare the January 25 report and submit a copy to the President of both the current and previous year. (Revised 6/5/07)