# The Maine Assembly Handbook

The Maine Assembly is a lawful governing body, one of the Union States of The United States of America, unincorporated. The land mass known as Maine is comprised of and represented by living men and women, who individually have reclaimed their Birthright Political Status as American State Nationals or American State Citizens. We are self-governing people by and under the Public Law on the Land and Soil Jurisdiction on Maine. Our State of the Union is a member of the Federation of States by definition. We are here to enforce the Public Law and the Constitutions, and we consider it our Public Duty to do so.

The Maine Assembly are American State Nationals working together peacefully to achieve the reconstruction and standing of our lawful government. All wo/men are encouraged to participate in the decision-making process, as each voice has value in reflecting a true representation of the people of Maine.

### **Mission Statement**

- Preserve the freedoms enshrined in The Declaration of Independence:
  "Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed".
- 2) Empower the average American with knowledge of how the "government" in this country is supposed to function, and encourage them to take responsibility for self-governing in the way our Founders intended.
- 3) **Advocate** for calm and peaceful behavior focused on restoring the Law, and exposing the fraud, criminality, and corruption at all levels of corporate government.
- 4) **Return** Americans to their birth-right political status through a simple paperwork process that protects them from the predatory contracting, licensing, and taxation practices of our unscrupulous foreign service providers and their bill collectors, aka, BAR attorneys.

#### Four Pillars

The Maine Assembly has Four Pillars and is organized by committees and can establish other committees as necessary. Each committee is responsible for its own collaboration and the implementation of their mission.

# The General Assembly

The Maine General Assembly is a Standing Committee of the Whole and is responsible for addressing questions that arise within the borders of Maine.

Those of us who actively participate meet as the General Assembly to discuss topics and items related to reconstructing our lawful government, governing ourselves, public policy and public law. This Assembly has the decision-making power of the living people to manage our state assets, infrastructure, and resources. We vote on nominated and vetted Nationals to populate positions in the General Assembly, the Jural Assembly, the International Business Assembly, and the Community Support Assembly aka the Militia.

# The International Business Assembly

The Maine International Business Assembly is a Special Committee and is responsible for addressing questions involving interstate business and diplomacy. The International Business Assembly is populated by American State Citizens nominated, vetted and voted upon by the General Assembly. It functions year round to conduct the day-to-day routine business needs of The Maine Assembly. Responsibilities include issuing public notices, conducting elections, preparing ballot initiatives for the General Assembly, overseeing use and sale of State resources and serving as an interface for communications with the Federal Government. This Assembly can call the General Assembly into Special Session, if needed.

This Assembly also interfaces with the other States of the Union to conduct business and trade internationally per the General Assemblies directives.

# **The Jural Assembly**

The Maine Jural Assembly is a Special Committee and addresses issues related to the Public Courts.

Our State Courts are courts of general jurisdiction populated by American State Citizens from the General Assembly. The jury pool of Maine people investigate and address any situation that causes injury to people or property. This Assembly provides claimants a fair hearing by a jury of their peers. People from the Jural Assembly are nominated, vetted and voted on to populate the positions of the People's Court.

This constructs the American Common Law Court system which upholds and enforces Public Law, gives standing to our Peacekeepers and Militia Officials, and acts as a checks and balance system for any legislation passed by the other branches of State and Federal governments through the process of Jury Nullification.

# The Assembly Militia (Community Support Assembly)

The Maine Assembly Militia is a Special Purpose Committee and deals with issues of defense and to an extent, apprehension of criminals and natural disaster response within the borders of Maine.

The people of the State comprise the body of the Militia (which in Hebrew means "the people"), whose responsibility is to perform the functions to coordinate a community response in times of emergency, natural disasters and of protection and self-defense in times of invasion or other encumbrances threatening the people on their counties and state. Our responsibility is to be a "well-regulated body", - - meaning prepared - for these situations, in order to uphold our commitments to each other as the living people

of Maine.

The Community Support and Preparedness Response Team includes all able-bodied people who are willing to serve in times of need. This includes supporting fire and flood and other natural disaster response, providing food and water and child and pet care to emergency relief workers, emergency communications resources and other community support activities.

### Committees

# **General Assembly Standing Committee of the Whole Subcommittees**

**General Education Committee** – produces educational materials and programs

**Orientation Committee** – provides support and educational guidance for new American State Nationals to overcome prior indoctrination, fear and dependency issues

**Events Committee** – plans and executes events, meetings, and elections set up

**Records Committee** – assists Recording Secretaries and maintains all records

**Treasury Committee** – assists and oversees Treasury functions

Oversight Committee – provides general oversight and forum for complaints

Ombudsman Committee – provides conflict resolution and arbitration services

Letters/Notices Committee - Generates letters and notices as appropriate

**Gratitude Committee** - Generates notes of gratitude and other occasions when appropriate

**Vetting Committee** – reviews candidate eligibility for position holders

**General Elections Committee** – handles notices and candidate publications, sets dates, promotes participation in elections, provides ballots, poll watchers, and ballot security

Office of the Marshal at Arms – ensures safety and decorum at all meetings and events; caretakes the flag, works with the Elections Committee to secure ballots

# **International Business Standing Committee**

This Committee is composed of State Citizens and is responsible for conducting international business for the Assembly, including setting up the State of State organization needed to complete Reconstruction of the Confederation and Federal Republic

**International Education and Security Committee** – reads and assesses international and global news and trends, keeps up with security issues and concerns, is briefed on international issues impacting the States of the Union, may make presentations and recommendations to the General Assembly

**Congressional Committee** – vets candidates for Congressional offices in The Continental Congress and once the Reconstruction is complete, will also vet candidates for the United States Congressional Delegation, will receive nominations, publish election notices, conduct elections for these offices, provide ballots, and secure and announce the election results

# **Jural Assembly Standing Committee**

**Court Venue Committee** – seeks accommodations for the Courts to hold Session, negotiates use of our public buildings for this purpose, serves Notice that our Public Courts are restored, invokes Ex Parte Milligan, 2 US 71

**Jury Pool Committee** – develops pools of competent and eligible Jurors to serve on both Trial Juries and Grand Juries, administers selection of Jurors, reimbursement of expenses, and other issues related to maintaining and caring for Jurors

**Law Education Committee** – evaluates educational opportunities to familiarize the Assembly about our Public Law and its administration past and present

**Court Oversight Committee** – provides necessary oversight of the Public Court System and its operations to ensure fairness and proper procedures, investigates claims of malfeasance, incompetence, or bias

**Sheriffs Committee** – works with the County Sheriffs to evaluate and bring forward the concerns of the Assembly County Sheriffs to better assist them in the performance of their duties

**Coroner's Office Committee** -- takes on the oversight functions for the Coroner's Office, investigates complaints and works with the Coroner and his staff to improve their service and capabilities, record keeping, and end of life services

**Litigation Committee** – works with American State Nationals who have active litigation concerns to assist them with asserting their position with respect to the foreign courts and educating them to avoid entrapment

Militia Special Purpose Committee

**Membership Committee** – evaluates candidates and vets them for specific jobs within the Assembly Militia, seeks to encourage participation in the Militia, understanding of the Militia's role, and support of the Militia's functions

**Provisions Committee** – acts as the Quartermaster for the Militia, evaluates needs and means to meet those needs for equipment and other provisions needed to carry out Militia duties

**Education Committee** – develops tests and educational materials and programs to train Militia members

**Operations Committee** – develops short and long-term operational goals for the State Assembly Militia, creates plans to implement projects and goals, evaluates Militia readiness, acts as oversight for the Militia, works with the Ombudsman's Office to resolve complaints related to the Militia and Militia Service, works with the Peacekeeping Task Force to coordinate joint operations, when appropriate, with Constitutional Sheriffs and with Continental Marshals Service personnel

**Health and Wellness Committee** - Provides education and opportunities regarding health and wellness

#### **Decorum**

# **Decorum Guidelines Purpose:**

- 1. To provide an outline for all The Maine Assembly meeting participants on the expected standards of conduct, honesty, and integrity when attending a General, Jural, Zoom call, Special Purpose meeting, or any other function related to business of The Maine Assembly.
- 2. To provide the necessary openness and accountability to establish confidence and stability in the living men and women serving The Maine Assembly in the performance of their public duty.

### **Decorum Principles:**

- **a. Selflessness**: Holders of public office make decisions solely in terms of the public interest. Decisions made in order to gain financial or other material benefits for themselves, family, associates, friends or colleagues is inappropriate and unacceptable.
- **b. Integrity**: The Maine Assembly meeting participants, committee members, and position holders will not place themselves in a position of financial gain or other obligation to foreign governments, other jurisdictional individuals and/or organizations that influence the performance of their official duties or have the appearance of such. The men and women of the Maine Assembly shall conduct themselves in a manner which maintains and strengthens The Maine Assembly's unity, confidence, and stability, refraining from actions and verbiage which put The Maine Assembly in a position of

disrepute.

- **c. Objectivity**: The Maine Assembly meeting participants make decisions and choices in an unbiased and fair manner based upon the facts and merit of the business at hand.
- **d. Accountability**: The Maine Assembly meeting participants, committee members, and position holders are accountable to the General Assembly or Jural Assembly for their overall business decisions and actions and agree that any course correction will be done lawfully through The Assembly process.
- **e. Openness:** Maine Assembly meeting participants, committee members, and position holders agree to timely and transparent communications, collaboration with other decision makers, and maintaining the security of private/confidential documents and information
- **f. Honesty:** Maine Assembly meeting participants, committee members, and position holders have a duty to declare any private interests related to Maine Assembly duties and obligations and to take steps to resolve all conflicts in a peaceful non-combatant and harmless manner while protecting the integrity of The Maine Assembly and its members.
- **g. Leadership:** Maine Assembly meeting participants, committee members, and position holders agree to promote and support the above principles through their actions and to lead by example.

#### Public/Private Decorum:

# Copyright

All documents generated by any Committee within The Maine Assembly are under the copyright protection of The Maine Assembly©.

### **Mattermost** (and Other Public Forums):

Mattermost or any Public Forum is a public forum meant for American State Nationals to share and communicate

with one another to learn more about the Assembly process, procedures, history, knowledge and information that helps in restoring our lawful government and our self-sustaining communities to fully reclaim our freedom. Truthful, peaceful, noncombatant and community-oriented communications are welcome. Disruptive, fear mongering, accusatory or defacto-minded communications will result in immediate removal of access to Mattermost.

Some examples of Misuse of Mattermost posts includes but is not limited to:

- 1. Posting information that is private to The Assembly,
- 2. Speaking negatively about a National or The Assembly,
- 3. Spreading gossip and hearsay
- 4. Making commands, accusations and false statements
- 5. Speaking for The Assembly as a body
- 6. Awfulizing and fear mongering

#### **Private information:**

A State National's private contact information is their private information and is not to be used unless that State National has given permission to use or share. If a State National does not want to receive personal messages, then respect this request. Do not harass them with emails, texts, phone calls or Mattermost Public Forum posts as ramifications may occur.

# Self-governance:

As self-governing women and men:

- 1. Do your best to fully research Anna's articles, websites, Orientation PowerPoints, etc. to find answers.
- 2. If unable to find the answer, email the appropriate committee/individual.
- 3. If unable to find the answer, email the Coordinator as final recourse.
- 4. The Coordinator will determine appropriate action to find the answer.

The Coordinator is the liaison between The Maine Assembly and the Federation. It is essential to follow this protocol rather than directly contacting Anna or other Federation staff.

#### **Meeting Conduct:**

This is conduct expected for all who attend or participant at a General, Jural, Zoom call, Special Purpose meeting, or any other function or digital platform related to The Maine Assembly.

- 1. Work/Updates brought forth from any committee are the results of the committee purpose and the combined efforts of its members. Feedback needs to be clear, respectful and relevant to the work brought forth. Please collaborate with the committee for time limits when addressing additions, deletions or corrections that would optimize the intended result(s). All documents are to be properly annotated with revised date.
- 2. American State Nationals who wish to share their private research, skills, knowledge or opinions with other American State Nationals do so of their own will and is independent of The Maine Assembly. American State Nationals receiving such

private research, skills, knowledge or opinions do so willingly and independent of The Maine Assembly, and take full responsibility for any consequences that may occur as a result of implementing, exercising, or practicing any ideas or information shared. At no time is The Maine Assembly conjoined with the information put forth or held responsible or accountable for any consequence that may occur as a result of the information. And although the information shared may be independent of The Maine Assembly, American State Nationals are encouraged to be courteous, polite, and respectful.

- 3. Facilitators are people who have volunteered to be responsible to facilitate a proper, respectful, functional, effective, forward-moving Maine Assembly meeting. They are also responsible in maintaining order and ensuring a courteous environment for all wo/men. They are instrumental in keeping the meeting on topic. It is imperative they are supported with the necessary flexibility in their judgment to carry out these responsibilities.
  - A. Facilitator will address wo/men for conduct unbecoming. The inappropriate conduct will be identified and, if necessary, the appropriate conduct will be explained.
  - B. In a Zoom meeting should a wo/man override or disregard the Facilitator, the Facilitator will mute the wo/man. The wo/man will then need to raise their hand to be acknowledged by the Facilitator so the conduct unbecoming can be identified, and if necessary, the appropriate conduct will be explained. If the wo/man does not yield to the Facilitator's instructions, then they will be immediately removed from the meeting.
  - C. In an In-People meeting should a wo/man override or disregard the Facilitator, the Marshal at Arms or Meeting Safety volunteer will quiet the wo/man, so the Facilitator can explain the inappropriate conduct and relay the appropriate expectation, if necessary. If the wo/man refuses to cooperate, they will be escorted out of the meeting.
  - D. In an In-People meeting or in a Zoom meeting, where a wo/man has already been acknowledged for conduct unbecoming, s/he will be removed from the meeting if there is a second offense.

Some examples of Conduct Unbecoming are:

- 1. Running dialogues or monologues with refusal to yield
- 2. Continual repetition of the same narrative
- 3. Questions or comments not related to the topic at hand
- 4. Interruptions or outbursts
- 5. Repeating hearsay and/or gossip
- 6. Repeating 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> party information
- 7. Proclaiming one's opinion about another member's character
- 8. Positing one's opinion about another member's intentions and/or

### feelings

E. Any wo/man addressed for conduct unbecoming and is in disagreement with the consequential action taken by the Facilitator will follow the Reconciliation Process for resolution as approved by The Maine General Assembly.

# **Meetings**

# **Meeting Reminders:**

- 1. Be on time. Please arrive early enough to give yourself time to get settled prior to the Biven's Decision being read.
- 2. Sign in.
- 3. Speaking. Please raise your hand and wait to be acknowledged by the Facilitator.
- a. All questions and discussion need to be related to the current topic.
- b. Speak only for yourself
- c. Be brief, concise and limit your comments to 3 minutes.
- d. Do not concur with previous comments.
- 4. Yielding. When finished speaking, say "I yield". This lets everyone know you are done and the Facilitator can allow the next speaker to begin. If, at any time, you are unsure whether you have the floor to speak, raise your hand and wait for the Facilitator to call on you again.
- 5. In-people meetings will be timed for a maximum of 3 hours; however, the Assembly may vote in an additional 30 minutes of meeting time. Zoom meetings will be timed for 1 hour: however, depending upon the content may run.
- 6. All phones need to be off or silenced during a meeting. No personal recording of meetings is allowed. The meeting is recorded and made available for review on The Maine Assembly website.
- 7. The Facilitator will take a roll call to determine the voting quorum prior to the start of a General Assembly meeting in which voting will occur.

# **Preparation for in-people General Assembly meeting:**

This is a business meeting rather than an educational opportunity. Therefore, please consider the following in preparation:

- A. Orientation Review and comprehend Orientation PowerPoint 3.
- B. Updates Page Updates are posted as necessary. Please review this page frequently.

- C. Discussion Please come to any and all meetings fully informed and prepared to discuss topics and/or documents to be voted on; i.e. read documents and provide feedback ahead of time.
- D. Minutes Minutes for the previous General Assembly meeting will be approved at the next in-people General Assembly meeting. It is the responsibility of each member to review meeting minutes prior to the meeting. If an error is perceived, it is required to listen to the audio recording prior to the in-people meeting to determine the exact language spoken. The exact transcription is then to be emailed to the scribe for correction and cc the Coordinator prior to the meeting. The corrected/revised minutes will then be posted on the website.
- E. Agenda Assembly business items are to be emailed to the Coordinator, Cocoordinator, and Facilitator not later than 10 days prior to the in-people General Assembly meeting. The agenda will be posted 7 days prior to the meeting.

# General Assembly New Business Agenda Items/Issues

When an ASN/ASC/Committee has an item/issue to bring forth for discussion and is relevant to reconstruction of our Assembly, the ASN/ASC/Committee needs to

- 1. Email the item/issue to the Coordinator and Facilitator.
- 2. The Coordinator and Facilitator will determine if the item/issue is relevant to reconstruction, and if so, it will be added to "New Business" on the agenda. If it is not relevant, they will respond to the ASN/ASC/Committee advising appropriate action.
- 3. Be fully prepared to support your position and the reasons why it is being brought forth for discussion at a General Assembly meeting.
- 4. If the ASN/ASC/Committee is not present to discuss their item/issue, it will be deleted from the agenda. The ASN/ASC/Committee will need to resubmit the item/issue for the following month's agenda.

### **Vote and Quorum (The word motions would be changed to moves.)**

We elect people and vote on motions. The vote passage or failure requires a two-thirds (2/3) quorum of people in attendance who meet the Participation Requirements. Dual citizens may participate in meeting discussions, however, they are not eligible to vote. Anyone who has a conflict of interest on a motion cannot vote on that motion.

A motion is the topic under discussion (e.g., "I move that we add a break to this meeting"). After being recognized by the Facilitator, any participant may introduce a motion when no other motion is on the table. A motion requires a second to be

considered. If there is no second, the matter is not considered. Abstain only when you feel you do not have adequate information to make an informed vote. Each motion must be disposed of (passed, defeated, tabled or referred to a committee). Any motion that is passed is effective immediately.

All participants have the right to engage in discussion of a motion (be mindful of others who have not yet spoken before speaking a second time).

To be eligible to vote and be a part of the quorum at a General Assembly meeting, American State Nationals and American State Citizens need to have:

- 1. Documented, properly-recorded and published as an American State National;
- 2. Completed orientation;
- 3. Completed the Affirmation of Intent and provided them to Records;

Note: ASNs and ASCs who are not a part of the voting quorum may participate in discussions.

Any member may bring up a new motion for discussion. A second is required for the motion to go to the floor for discussion, or consideration.

If a motion under discussion is unclear and rewording is required, the original motion will be amended with new wording.

If more study and/or investigation of the motion is required, it can be referred to a committee or tabled.

If the current discussion is repetitive, the Facilitator will ask if there is anything new to contribute on the motion. If so, a time limit will be set by a 2/3<sup>rd</sup>'s vote for further discussion, after which a decision will be made regarding the motion.

If a motion is tabled for two consecutive meetings, a vote may be taken to remove it from the agenda and a new motion would be required to bring it forth again.

If the discussion has drifted away from the motion, the Facilitator will bring the discussion back on topic.

A 2/3<sup>rd</sup>'s vote is required to adjourn the meeting.

If the results of a vote are unclear, a recount will be taken.

To rescind a motion voted on at an earlier meeting, a 2/3<sup>rd</sup>'s vote is required.

Discussion/Vote Sequence is as follows:

Presentation of evidence/issue

Motion, Second, Discussion

Vote on motion: Yes, No, or Abstain

2/3<sup>rd</sup>'s members vote Yes = Motion carried

2/3<sup>rd</sup>'s members vote No = Motion defeated

2/3<sup>rd</sup>'s members Abstain = Motion tabled

If there is not a 2/3<sup>rd</sup>'s vote = Motion tabled

# **Positions and Information**

#### Coordinators/Co-Coordinators

Anyone who wishes to bring themselves forward as a coordinator or co-coordinator must disclose their reasons and qualifications for the job to The General Assembly. After discussion, a motion can be made to be nominated for a recommendation to the Federation. If the recommendation carries, the Federation will be notified.

After discussion, a move can be made to nominate that man or woman, then the nominee is vetted by the Vetting Committee. Once fully vetted, the data that is collected on the nominee goes to Anna (Federation) for a decision if the nominee will become a coordinator or co-coordinator.

If the nominee becomes a coordinator or co-coordinator and was an ASC, then their status immediately reverts to an ASN.

# **American State Citizens (ASCs)**

We remain American State Nationals until the age of 21, when we can choose to act as American State Citizens. The word "citizen" always implies an obligation to serve some level or form of government, and it is no exception here. When we are old enough to accept the responsibility and understand the obligations involved, we become eligible to act as Citizens of our State of the Union.

To affirm your American State Citizen commitment, you need to autograph a Maine Assembly Member Agreement form witnessed by two American State Citizens.

ASCs are People who have accepted a responsibility to surrender some of their sovereignty to serve in the capacity of an elected or appointed public office within one of the four pillars of the State Assembly. Given the nature of this work, until all four pillars are fully stood up and offices once vacant are occupied, any necessary office not occupied is the responsibility of the Coordinator until the role is appropriately filled. Until

fully stood up, The Assembly follows the instructions of the Federation either directly or through the state coordinator.

An ASC must be free to make decisions impacting their State and its international relations with other States and Nations with a clear mind and open conscience, unaffected by mixed loyalties to any other government.

To avoid conflicts of interest which might undermine our security, ASCs are People having no other allegiance to or affiliation with any foreign State or Nation. Such conflicts of interest may include being licensed by a foreign government, receiving titles and offices from foreign governments, being employed by foreign governments, receiving unearned welfare benefits or other substantial gifts or emoluments from foreign governments.

All ASCs need to be properly declared as such with their State Assembly, be in honor and good standing, and either available for or holding an elected or appointed position. Those who waiver from this obligation or avoid the duties of the position can be removed through the Assembly process.

# **Stepping Down**

When a committee lead or position holder steps down, a written notice to the Coordinator, Co-coordinator, Records Lead and Assets Lead is required. Any assets belonging to The Maine Assembly can no longer be used by the ASN/ASC stepping down and are to be returned immediately to the Assets Committee. A one-month notice is recommended in preparation of stepping down.

### **Abandoning a Position**

A committee member or position holder who stops collaborating and communicating, fails to give notice for their absence or does not attend at least one of the General Assembly meetings a month, that committee member or position holder will be considered to have abandoned their position and will automatically be removed from the committee or position. Written notification of removal will be posted on the Updates page. Re-nomination of the committee member or position holder is required if they wish to resume the position.

#### Sabbatical

The General Assembly is comprised of ASNs/ASCs who choose to peacefully participate in restoring and conducting our government.

A. Any ASN/ASC in The General Assembly may choose to stop participating at any time, and may return and participate again, as long as they remain in good standing.

B. Any ASN/ASC who has publicly maligned The Maine Assembly and/or any of the four pillars in any manner, must provide an autographed, written explanation of what occurred and a letter of apology. The document must contain the following: explanation of reasons for their past behavior, reasons for returning, how they will conduct themselves in the future, and remedy of restitution. The documents will be sent to the Coordinator to be presented for discussion at the next General Assembly meeting where a vote will determine the next steps.

# **To Return From Completed Timeout**

Any National who has completed a timeout period and is asking to return to The General Assembly must have completed the following:

- Review the Orientation PowerPoints
- Study and comprehend "How to Build an Assembly"
- Study, adhere to and practice The Maine Assembly "Rules of Decorum"
- Study and adhere to The Maine Assembly "Reconciliation Process"
- Read and comprehend Article #3374
- Practice "Do no harm, be peaceful and be non-combatant"
- Practice and adhere to all that is in the Handbook
- Provide an autographed, written explanation of what occurred to earn a timeout and a letter of apology. The document must contain the following: explanation of reasons for their past behavior including behavior while on the timeout, reasons for returning, how they will conduct themselves moving forward, and any restitution required. The documents will be sent to the Coordinator to be presented for discussion at the next General Assembly meeting where a vote will determine the next steps.

If you were an ASC and you want to re-establish yourself as an ASC, you would need to reaffirm your American State Citizen commitment by autographing another Maine Assembly Member Agreement witnessed by two American State Citizens.