## **Excerpt from the NJDA Bylaws**

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#### **ARTICLE V**

### **ELECTIVE OFFICERS**

<u>Section 10. TITLE:</u> The elective officers of this Association shall be president, president, elect, vice president, treasurer, secretary, and speaker of the House of Delegates as provided in Article V of the Constitution.

<u>Section 20. ELIGIBILITY:</u> Only a fully privileged member in good standing of this Association who can fulfill the qualifications shall be eligible to serve as an elective officer.

## Section 30. QUALIFICATIONS:

- A. <u>President-elect.</u> A candidate for the office of president-elect shall have either (1) been an officer of the Association, or (2) served at least two (2) terms as a trustee.
- B. <u>Vice President.</u> A candidate for the office of vice president shall have either (1) been an officer of the Association, or (2) served at least two (2) full terms as a trustee.
- C. <u>Treasurer</u>. A candidate for the office of treasurer shall be an active or life member of this Association.
- D. <u>Secretary.</u> A candidate for the office of secretary shall be an active or life member of this Association.
- E. <u>Speaker of the House of Delegates.</u> A candidate for the office of the speaker of the House of Delegates shall be an active or life member of this Association.

<u>Section 40. NOMINATIONS:</u> Nominations for the offices of the president-elect, vice president, treasurer, secretary, and speaker of the House of Delegates shall be made in accordance with the provision of Article X.

### **ARTICLE X**

### NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

# Section 10. NOMINATIONS: Nominations may be made by:

- A. The Nominations Council as provided in Article VII.
- B. A component society at a regular meeting may nominate qualified candidates for any position to be filled by election at an annual session.
  - The names of candidates nominated by a component society must be made in writing and reviewed by the CEO at least ninety (90) days before the concluding day of the Annual Session of the House of Delegates.
  - Each component shall nominate candidates for the offices of Trustee, alternate Trustee, ADA Delegate, and alternate ADA Delegate from their component in this manner.
- C. Any fully privileged member may file a petition for any position to be filled by election at an annual session for which he/she qualifies under the provisions of these Bylaws except the office of trustee. Such a petition must contain the name of the candidate, the position for which he/she is nominated and a statement signed by the candidate signifying his/her willingness to run for the position designated. The petition is to be filed with the CEO of this Association at least ninety (90) days before the concluding day of the annual session of the House of Delegates.
  - 1. Candidates for ADA Delegate Positions from Components. The candidate must be a fully privileged member of their respective component. The petition must be signed by fully privileged members from the candidate's component. The minimum number of bona fide signatures required on said petition shall be ten (10) percent of the number of the respective component's fully privileged members which was used to determine the number of delegates to which that component is entitled at the annual session of the House of Delegates at which the election is to take place. However, in no case shall more than twenty-five (25) signatures be required on a nominating petition.
  - Candidates for Officer or ADA Delegate-at-Large Positions. If a fully
    privileged member is filing a petition for a position as an Officer or ADA
    Delegate-at-Large, said petition must contain a minimum of twenty-five
    (25) signatures from fully privileged members throughout the State, and
    not limited to the candidate's own component.

D. Anything in these Bylaws to the contrary notwithstanding, in the event a vacancy occurs in the office of President-Elect prior to the annual meeting of the Nominations Council, then in addition to nominations for the other elective officers, the Nominations Council shall make a nomination for the office of President in accordance with Article VII, Section 120, F. If the vacancy in the office of President-Elect occurs after a slate has been nominated by the Nominations Council, then a special meeting of the Nominations Council shall be held to re-nominate an entire slate including the office of President. After an entire new slate is re-nominated, the 90-day period set forth in Article X, Section 10, Paragraph C is waived.

<u>Section 20. WITHDRAWAL OF NOMINATION:</u> A candidate may withdraw his/her nomination by filing a written notice of withdrawal with the CEO of this Association at any time prior to the election.