



CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS
KANE COUNTY CHIEFS OF POLICE ASSOCIATION

ARTICLE 1

Section 1: NAME: The name of this body shall be known as the Kane County Chiefs of Police Association.

Section 2: PURPOSE OF THIS ORGANIZATION: The purposes of this organization shall be:

1. To advance the science and art of police administration and crime prevention.
2. To develop and disseminate improved administrative and technical practices and promote their use in police work.
3. To foster police cooperation and the exchange of information and experience among police administrators throughout the County of Kane and State of Illinois.
4. To bring about enlistments and training in the police profession of qualified persons.
5. To encourage adherence of all police officers to high professional standards of conduct and the code of police ethics.
6. The corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, educational, religious or scientific purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Section 3: MOTTO: The motto of this organization shall be “DEDICATED TO THE ENHANCEMENT OF THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM”.



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ARTICLE II

MEMBERSHIP

Section 1: CLASSES OF MEMBERS: This association shall have six (6) classes of members. The designation of such class and the qualifications of members of such classes shall be as follows: ACTIVE, LAW ENFORCEMENT, ASSOCIATE, SUSTAINING, LIFE and HONORARY.

A. ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP

The following persons shall be eligible for active membership: Chiefs of Police, Sheriff of Kane County, directors, commissioners and superintendents having actual supervision of and receiving salaries from any legally constituted state, county or municipal police department of any political subdivision or governmental jurisdiction of this state or county, having authority to adopt and enforce police regulations under the Constitution and laws of the State of Illinois; the Special Agent in Charge of all federal agency offices in Kane County; the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Chief Judge of the Sixteenth Judicial Circuit, Chief Deputy Coroner; the commanders of State Police districts having normal police jurisdiction within Kane County; the State's Attorney and Coroner of Kane County; the Director of Emergency Services/Criminal Justice for Kane County; the chief executive officer of any railroad police systems having lines or offices within Kane County; and the executive assistant, executive heads, assistant chiefs, deputy chiefs and division, district or bureau commanding officers of such departments only when their application is approved by the chief executive of the department on an annual basis.

Only Active Members and Life Members - Active **in good standing** shall be entitled to vote on any question presented to the association pursuant to the following criteria: One (1) vote by every Active and Life Member - Active in attendance.

The association will publish annually a list of all voting members (Active and Life Members-Active).

If the status of an active-voting member in the agency changes, the agency must notify the secretary of the association in writing.



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B. LAW ENFORCEMENT

Sworn management staff of Kane County Law Enforcement Agencies who hold the rank of sergeant or above and are not otherwise eligible for active membership, only when the chief executive of the department approves their application **on an annual basis**. Law Enforcement Administrators/Command Officers of agencies of any adjacent county, Active members of Federal Law Enforcement Agencies stationed and/or having jurisdiction in Kane County. Law Enforcement members shall have all the privileges of active membership, except that of holding elective office and voting.

C. ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

Non-sworn executive assistants and/or law enforcement liaisons of Kane County Law Enforcement Agencies and/or other State of Illinois Criminal Justice Agencies. Heads of security of stores, businesses or industries in Kane County; Associate members shall have all the privileges of active membership, except that of holding elective office and voting.

D. SUSTAINING MEMBERSHIP

Persons known to be consistent advocates of law enforcement who may desire to lend their aid to the forces engaged in that pursuit. Representatives of commercial companies dealing in police supplies or services. Sustaining members shall not have the right to hold office or vote.

E. LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Any Active, Law Enforcement or Associate member in good standing with the association and who has served the Association with honor and distinction **for a period of five (5) years or more** who becomes ineligible for membership due to a change in employment status may be granted Life Membership in the class from which he was previously a member. EXAMPLE: Life Member – Active, Life Member – Associate, Life Member – Law Enforcement. Life Membership classes shall be exempt from the payment of dues.

F. HONORARY MEMBERSHIP

This Association, by a majority vote of the members present at any regular meeting and upon the recommendation of an Active Member, may elect such persons as Honorary Members. Honorary members shall not have voting rights and are exempt from payment of dues.

Section 2: MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION: Applications for membership in the association shall be submitted to the Secretary of the Association on the prescribed form. All applications presented shall be announced by the Secretary and then tabled until the next regular meeting of the Association. Approval of membership in the Association shall be by majority vote of the Active voting members present. All Active Members and Life Members (all categories) must submit a renewal application annually, whether dues are required or not, to remain eligible to vote.



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ARTICLE III

OFFICERS AND ELECTION

Section 1: The officers of this association shall consist of a President, Vice President, a Secretary, a Treasurer and a Sergeant at Arms. Elective officers shall come from active membership and/or Life Member - Active only. Should any elected officer during their term of office lose their status as an active member, they are no longer eligible to hold that office.

Section 2: The officers shall be nominated and elected by a majority of the membership of this Association at the regular meeting held each December. They shall assume office at the January meeting and shall hold office for a term of one(1) year or until their duly elected successors have been qualified.

Section 3: The election of officers shall be by written secret ballot, except where there is but one nominee for an office, in which case, on proper motion made, he/she may be elected by acclamation. The candidate for any office receiving the highest number of valid votes shall be declared elected.



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ARTICLE IV

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1: **PRESIDENT:** It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meeting of this Association and he/she shall conduct said meetings and be governed in all decisions by “Robert Rules of Order”. The President shall appoint any and all committees which the business of this Association may require. Committee members shall serve during the term of the officer appointing them. The President shall also fill any vacancy occurring in the ranks of the officers by appointment until such vacancy is filled by election.

Section 2: **VICE PRESIDENT:** It shall be the duty of the Vice President to assist the President in performing his duties and, in the absence of the President, to assume and perform the duties of the President.

Section 3: **SECRETARY:** The Secretary shall record the minutes and proceeding of all meeting held by the Association. He/she shall have charge of such correspondence as the President shall direct, or the business of the Association may require, and shall accurately maintain all Association records and correspondence. The Secretary shall have charge of all membership matters and shall serve as the Press Release Officer for the Association. He/she shall perform such other duties as directed by the President or membership.

Section 4: **TREASURER:** The Treasurer shall collect and keep an accurate record of all financial transaction. He/she shall receive, disburse and give receipts for all monies handled. The Treasurer shall perform such other duties as directed by the President or membership.

Section 5: **SERGEANT-AT-ARMS:** The Sergeant-at-Arms shall keep order at all meetings of the Association. He/she shall perform such other duties as directed by the President or membership.

Section 6: **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:** The Executive Committee will consist of the office of President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Sergeant-at-Arms, immediate Past President and the Chairpersons of each of the standing committees. Chairpersons must be active members.

The Executive Committee shall be the governing body of the association and shall have authority to take all appropriate measures so to perform all duties required to accomplish the purposes of the association.



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ARTICLE V

FEES AND DUES

Section 1: The dues shall be forty dollars (\$40.00) per year for all Active, Law Enforcement, Associate and Sustaining members. This fee is collectible by calendar year or any portion thereof, payable in advance and computed from January 1st of each year.

Section 2: DELINQUENCY: Any member delinquent in payment of dues for six months or more shall be dropped from the membership rolls.

ARTICLE VI

DISPOSITION OF FUNDS

Section 1: All monies or other assets of the Association shall be in the custody of the Treasurer.

- A. At the time of the new incoming officers, an audit of the previous year's financial records will be ordered by the new incoming president of the Kane County Chiefs of Police Association.

ARTICLE VII

MEETINGS

Section 1: Meetings shall be held on the third Thursday of each month with the business part of the meeting to start at 12:00 Noon. The meeting place shall be designated in advance by the President. Notice of meetings shall be announced in the minutes of the previous meeting as distributed or otherwise made available to the membership.

Section 2: Specials meeting may be called by the President by majority vote of the membership assembled at a regular meeting.

Section 3: The rules contained in the current edition of "Robert's Rules of Order, newly revised" shall govern the association in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with the by-laws and any special rules of order the association may adopt.



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ARTICLE VIII

PROXY

Section 1: Proxies will be allowed from active-voting members of the association.

Active voting member's executed proxy will be cast at the meeting, unless the active-voting member revokes it at any time before the vote by notifying the secretary of the association in person at the meeting or in writing.

It is the policy of the association that all voted proxies and ballots be handled in a manner that protects the active-voting member's privacy and no such vote shall be disclosed except as necessary to meet any legal requirements.

ARTICLE IX

AMENDMENTS

Section 1: The Constitution and By-Laws, or any section or provision thereof, may be amended, rescinded or enlarged in the following manner: By referral to a committee and subsequent approval by 2/3 vote of the membership assembled at a regular meeting.

ARTICLE X

DISSOLUTION CLAUSE

Section 1: Upon the dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all assets of the corporation exclusively for the purpose of the corporation in such manner, or to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious or scientific purposes or shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under Section 501(c)(3) or the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision on any future United States Internal Revenue Law), as the Board of Directors shall determine. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.



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The above and forgoing constitution and By-Laws of the Kane County Chiefs of Police Association of Illinois were adopted and approved in the regular meeting held in Geneva, Illinois on **02-15-07** and shall supersede all pre-existing constitutions and By-Laws.

Signatures of the By-Laws Committee:

Commander Joe G. Frega
Commander Joe G. Frega

Chief James Lamkin
Chief James Lamkin

Deputy Chief Greg Anderson
Deputy Chief Greg Anderson

Edward Dennis
Edward Dennis

Signature of the President:

Chief Daniel J. Callahan
Chief Daniel J. Callahan

February 15, 2007
Date