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**KENNETH DALE
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District 12; Demo. Born 6/24/28; funeral dir.; married (Anne Burford). Graduate, Farmerville public schools; attended La. Tech; graduate, Landig Coll. of Mortuary Science, completed specialized course in insurance and marketing, Southern Methodist Univ. Sec. treas., life insurance co.; pres., funeral home co. and monument works co. State senator (1972 to date). Pres., La. Funeral Directors Assn.; past pres., Chamber of Commerce. Baptist. Address: Box 1038, Ruston 71270. Phone: (318) 255-7537.



**LOUIS JOSEPH
LAMBERT, JR.**

District 59; Demo. Born 12/21/40; attorney (1967 to date); married (Mary Smith). Attended Ascension Parish public schools; graduate, Capital Page School, Washington, D. C.; B. A., LSU; LL. B., Loyola. School teacher (1961-65). State senator (1972 to date). Gonzales town attorney (1969 to date). Past chm., March of Dimes and United Givers Drives; La. and Am. Bar Assns.; La. City Attorney's Assn.; Jaycees; La. Land Title Assn. Methodist. Address: 306 S. Burnside St., Gonzales 70737. Phone: (504) 644-2881.

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AMBROISE H. LANDRY

Appointed by Governor to represent public at large; Demo. Born 12/3/15; parish clerk of court (1952 to date); married (Althae M. Clement). Graduate, Thibodaux public schools. U. S. Air Force (1944-46). Municipal fire bd. Pres., International Assn. of Clerks, Recorders, Election Officials and Treasurers; past pres., Nat'l Assn. of Clerks and Recorders; past bd. member, La. Clerks Assn.; past Grand Knight, KC; past pres. and treas. of fire co. Catholic. Address: Box 390, Thibodaux 70301. Phone: (504) 447-3175 or 447-4841.



**EUAL JOSEPH
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District 56; Demo. Born 1/9/04; retired principal; married (Caroline Montz). Graduate, Crowley public schools; B. S., M. S., LSU. Mgr., Country Club (1968-72); high school principal (1930-68); col., U. S. Air

Force (1941-46); coach and assistant principal (1924-30). Post commander, Am. Legion; La. Teachers' Assn.; Retired Teachers' Assn.; Retired Officers' Assn.; KC; past pres., parish Teachers' Assn.; past pres., Community Action Program; La. State Teachers' Legislative Com. Catholic. Address: Rt. 1, Box 208, Hahnville 70057. Phone: (504) 783-2003 (Luling).



WALTER I. LANIER, JR.

District 55; Demo. Born 2/28/37; attorney (1961 to date); married (Rita Claire McQueen). Graduate, Thibodaux public schools; B. S., LL. B., LSU. U. S. Army Judge Advocate General's Corps (1962-64); legal clerk for La. Supreme Court justice (1961). Assistant district attorney (1967-72). City Outstanding Young Man Award (1967); Outstanding Local Chapter Pres., La. Jaycees (1967); U. S. Army Commendation Medal (1964); past pres. and chaplain, Jaycees; v. pres. and past sec., Chamber of Commerce; past pres., parish Bar Assn.; parish Community Action Bd.; VFW; Am. Legion. Episcopalian. Address: Box 648, Thibodaux 70301. Phone: (504) 447-3713.



CONWAY LeBLEU

District 36, Demo. Born 10/4/18; cattleman, farmer; married (Virgie McCall). Graduate, Lake Charles public schools; attended McNeese Junior Coll. and Col. A. & M.; B. S., LSU. U. S. Air Force (1942-46); employed by petroleum companies (1938). State rep. (1964 to date); Sabine River Authority; police juror (1956-60). Farm Bureau; Cattle-men's Assn.; Am. Legion; VFW; Optimist. Methodist. Address: Box 266, Cameron 70631. Phone: (318) 775-5360.



**EDWARD F.
LeBRETON, JR.**

District 92; Demo. Born 8/16/13; partner, insurance agency (1940 to date); married (Gladys L. Gay). Graduate, New Orleans public schools; attended Tulane Univ. Bd., homestead assn.; U. S. Navy (1942). State rep. (1952 to date). dean, La. House of Representatives; La. Stadium and Exposition Comm.; Governor's Joint Legislative Com. on Hurricane and Insurance; Governor's Joint Interim Legislative Com. on State Air Transportation Needs (1969); pres., U. S. Advisory Com. on Studies of Natural Disaster, Dept. of Housing and Urban Development (1965); treas., Audubon Park Comm. (1954-61); Regional Planning Comm. Past pres., Nat'l Soc. of State Legislators, bd. and exec. com., Conference of Insurance Legislators; bd. (1968 to date) and exec. com. (1972), International House; Nat'l Assn. of Casualty Surety Agents, member, Model Staff Project, Citizens Conference on State Legislatures; v. pres., Adult Education Center, Inc.; Am. Judiciary Soc.; Chamber of Commerce; VFW; La. Historical Soc. Catholic. Address: 219 Carondelet St., New Orleans 70130. Phone: (504) 529-3681.



THOMAS W. LEIGH

District 17; Demo. Born 4/8/03; attorney (1924 to date); married (Louise Grisham). Graduate, Monroe public schools; LL. B., LSU. Chm., State Mineral Bd. (1966-72), LSU Bd. of Supervisors (1940-60). Honorary member, Order of the Coif; v. pres., La. State Law Institute; past pres., La. State Bar Assn.; Am. Bar Assn. House of Delegates. Episcopalian. Address: Box 1671, Monroe 71201. Phone: (318) 323-7786.



J. KENNETH LEITHMAN

Appointed by Governor to represent public at large; Demo. Born 7/24/30; owner, insurance agency (1964 to date); married (Cynthia Tillotson). Graduate, New Orleans schools; B. S., Loyola Univ. Insurance business (1955-64); U. S. Army Military Police Corps (1952-54); state rep. (1968 to date), speaker pro tem (1972 to date); parish school bd. (1964-68). Outstanding citizen awards from Rotary Club, Group Life Underwriters Assn. and Lions Club; nat'l v. pres., Muscular Dystrophy Assn.; bd., parish Community Services Council, Insurance Exchange and parish Comm. on Aging; past pres., Lions Club; past adult advisor, Teenagers March Against Leukemia. Catholic. Address: Box 333, Gretna 70053. Phone: (504) 367-7777.



EDWARD N. LENNOX

Appointed by Governor to represent industry. Born 7/27/25; business exec., v. pres., holding company (cane sugar refining, chemical grade lime manufacturing, dredging, mining and construction materials); married (Joan Marie Landry). U. S. Infantry (1943-46). Governor's Advisory Com. on River Area Transportation and Planning Study (1971-72); New Orleans Bd. of Trade; Ala. Governor's Advisory Council on Economics; past pres., Orleans Levee Bd. (1969-72); La. Bd. of Highways (1965-67); chm., New Orleans Aviation Bd. (1960-67). Who's Who in the South and Southwest; Community Leaders of Am.; Personalities of the South; Who's Who in Finance and Industry; pres.-elect, local area Chamber of Commerce; area v. pres., PAR; bd., Methodist Hospital; exec.

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**HERMAN JOSEPH
"MONDAY" LOWE**

District 61; Demo. Born 7/25/23; certified public accountant (1958 to date); married (Bessie Peavy). Graduate, Port Allen public schools; B. S., LSU. Bookkeeper (1951-58). La. Constitutional Revision Comm. (1970-72); state rep. (1964-68); assistant parish sec.-treas. (1958-63); city clerk (1955-63). Soc. of La. CPAs Distinguished Service Award (1969); past chapter pres., Soc. of La. CPAs; Nat'l Assn. of Accountants; Am. Accounting Assn.; Beta Alpha Psi honor. accounting fraternity; Am. Legion; VFW; KC. Catholic. Address: Box 3637, Baton Rouge 70821. Phone: (504) 348-5856.



JAMES A. McDANIEL

District 19; Repub. Born 9/29/26; farmer (1959 to date); married (Bonnie Holman). Graduate, Union Parish public schools; B. S., M. S., LSU. Farm management (1953-59); employed by LSU Cooperative Extension Service (1949-53). La. Soybean Promotion Bd. (1970 to date). 1971 4-H Alumni of Year; pres., Am. Soybean Institute (1971 to date); chm., Soybean Div., La. Farm Bureau; La. and Am. Soybean Assns.; Soybean Action Com., Am. Farm Bureau; past pres., La. Swine Assn. Methodist. Address: Rt. 2, Box 13, Tallulah 71282. Phone: (318) 574-1905.



GORDON J. MARTIN

District 57; Demo. Born 2/20/20; sheriff (1956 to date); married (Doris Haydel). Graduate, Lusher public schools; attended several law enforcement schools. Deputy sheriff (1948-56); farmer (1946-48); U. S. Army Military Police (1942-45). Past pres., La. Sheriff's Assn.; bd., La. Peace Officers Assn. and parish Community Action Organization; KC; Lion. Catholic. Address: Box 83, Convent 70723. Phone: (504) 562-3562.



**CLAUDE
MAUBERRET, JR.**

District 95; Demo. Born 2/11/22; veterinarian (1947 to date) and assessor (1960 to date); married (Diane Bennett). Graduate, New Orleans schools; D. V. M., Auburn Univ. Demo. State Central Com. (1952 to date). La. and Am. Veterinarian Medical Assns.; International Assn. of Assessing Officers; La. Assessors' Assn. Catholic. Address: 218 N. St. Patrick St., New Orleans 70119. Phone: (504) 482-4984.



RUTH LOYD MILLER

Appointed by Governor to represent professions; Demo. Born 5/29/22; attorney (1957 to date); married (Judge Minos D., Jr.). Grad-

uate, Tallulah public schools; B. A., LSU; attended Blue Ridge Coll. and Union Theological Seminary. Editor and pres. of publishing co.; editorial assistant, Univ. News Bureau (1946-47); dir., Wesley Foundation (1942). La. Mineral Ed., (1972); pres., Bd. of Supervisors of Elections (1972 to date). Parish, La. and Am. Bar Assns.; Phi Delta Delta legal fraternity; Am. Judicature Soc.; delegate to 1970 White House Conference on Youth; 6 yrs. volunteer dir., All City Schools Twirling and Flag Corps; Cameron Parish Historical Assn.; Lake Charles Civic Symphony Auxiliary; past bd. member, Lake Charles Civic Symphony Orchestra. Methodist. Address: P. O. Drawer 1309, Jennings 70546. Phone: (318) 824-4580.



PEGRAM J. MIRE

Appointed by Governor to represent public at large, Demo. Born 11/1/20; parish tax assessor (1952 to date); married (Ella R. Gautreau). Graduate, Gonzales public schools; attended LSU and Vanderbilt; completed foreign area and language course, Army Specialized Training Program; completed Am. Banking Inst. Bank v. pres. (1963 to date); real estate broker; life insurance agent (1948-52); mgr. of family business (1948-52); oil co. employee (1946-48); La. Nat'l Guard (1948-52); U. S. Army (1942-46); Army Reserve (1946). Pres., past v. pres., sec.-treas. and program chm., La. Assessors' Assn. Catholic. Address: Box 544, Donaldsonville 70346. Phone: (504) 473-9239.



**ROBERT JACKSON
MUNSON**

Appointed by Governor to represent agriculture; Demo. Born 12/9/12; farmer (1935 to date); married (Kathryn Fluke). Graduate,

Cheneyville public schools; attended Okla. Univ.; B. S., LSU. State rep. (1956 to date); chm., House Appropriations Com.; member, Legislative Budget Ccm.; parish police jury (1948-56). Past master, Masonic Lodge; Shriner; parish Farm Bureau; La. Wildlife Federation; La. Cattlemen's Assn. Episcopalian. Address: Box 425, Cheneyville 70325. Phone: (318) 279-2663.



**AUTLEY BENJAMIN
NEWTON**

District 73; Demo. Born 3/25/36; attorney (1965 to date); married (Miriam Eakin). Graduate, Hammond public schools; B. A., LL. B., LSU. Am. Bar Assn.; past sec.-treas., district Bar Assn. Presbyterian. Address: Box 1682, Hammond 70401. Phone: (504) 345-8660.



SAMUEL B. NUNEZ, JR.

District 104; Demo. Born 1/27/30; pres., insurance agency; married (Elaine Potter). Graduate, St. Bernard Parish public schools; B. S., LSU. U. S. Air Force (1951-55). State senator (1969 to date); state rep. (1964-69). Jaycee; St. Bernard Heart Council; Aircraft Owners and Pilots Assn.; Am. Legion; Chamber of Commerce. Catholic. Address: 2016 Packenham Dr., Chr'mette 70043. Phone: (504) 279-5551.



GARY M. O'NEILL

District 64; Demo. Born 9/16/51; single; law student, teacher (1971 to date). Graduate, Baton Rouge schools; B. A., LSU; attending

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JESSEL M. OURSO, SR.

District 60; Demo. Born 3/12/32; sheriff (1972 to date; 1964-68); married (Eula LeBlanc). Graduate, Plaquemine public schools; attended LSU Law Enforcement Inst., Baton Rouge City Police Academy and La. State Police Academy. State trooper (1957-63); policeman (1955-57); U. S. Army (1952-54). La. Sheriffs Assn.; La. Peace Officers Assn.; Nat'l Sheriff's Assn.; Elk; Am. Legion; Optimist; VFW. Catholic. Address: 1404 Plaquemine St., Plaquemine 70764. Phone: (504) 687-3555.



CHALIN OCTAVE PEREZ

District 105; Demo. Born 6/19/23; attorney (1948 to date) and pres., Parish Comm. Council (1967 to date); married (Mary Ellen Sheehan). B. B. A., LL. B., Tulane. Catholic. Address: Braithwaite P. O., Louisiana 70040. Phone: (504) 682-3111.



P. LYNN PERKINS

District 28; Demo. Born 8/25/46; attorney (1970 to date); single. Graduate, Alexandria

parochial schools; B.S., LSU-Alexandria; J.D., LSU Law School. Outstanding Young Women of America (1971); LSU Moot Court Semifinalist (1969); pres. and past v. pres. and sec., parish bar assn.; La. and Am. Bar Assns.; Nat'l Assn. of Women Lawyers; Bd., Avoyelles Cattlemen's Assn. Catholic. Address: Box 148, Moreauville 71355. Phone: (318) 985-2823.



ARTHUR J. PLANCHARD

District 33; Demo. Born 3/14/30; attorney (1958 to date); married (Diane Keenan). Graduate, Sulphur public schools; B. S., J. D., LSU; attended LSU graduate school. Mgr., mortgage loan dept. (1957-58); U. S. Army (1953-55). Chm., city fire and police civil service bd. (1970-72). Past pres., Rotary Club; Am. Legion; VFW; Southwest, La. and Am. Bar Assns. Catholic. Address: P. O. Drawer 288, Sulphur 70663. Phone: (318) 527-6388.



**ANTHONY MARK
RACHAL, JR.**

Appointed by Governor to represent civil service; Demo. Born 12/5/25; Xavier Univ. exec. v. pres. (1968 to date); married (Louise Eugene). Graduate, Shreveport schools; B. S., Xavier Univ.; M. Ed., Wayne State Univ. Remodeling, decorating and real estate business (1957 to date); book reviewer (1972 to date); U. S. Office of Education consultant (1969-71); special assistant to chm. of U. S. Civil Service Comm. (1965-68); dir. of employee utilization, U. S. Dept. of Labor (1964-65); univ. placement and recruitment dir. (1960-64); univ. asst. professor (1957-60); H. S. dept. head (1947-57); U. S. Army (1944-46). Advisory com. member, La. Coordinating Council for Higher Education (1969 to date). Exec. com., New Orleans Consortium (Dominican, Xavier and Loyola) (1969 to date); advisory com. to bd., New

Orleans Metropolitan Area Com.; Urban League of Greater New Orleans; Xavier Alumni Assn.; advisory bd., Red Cross. Catholic. Address: 1435 N. Johnson St., New Orleans 70116. Phone: (504) 949-6359 or 486-7411.



**BENJAMIN B.
"SIXTY" RAYBURN**

District 75; Demo. Born 8/11/16; pipefitter; married (Hazel Eugene Blanchard). Graduate, Miss. public schools; attended trade school in La. State senator (1951 to date); state rep. (1948-51); police juror (1944-48). Mason; Shriner; Lion. Baptist. Address: 606 Ave. B, Bogalusa 70427. Phone: (504) 732-9511.



TERRY RAY REEVES

District 22; Demo. Born 7/9/46; city planner (1970 to date); married (Renee Allbritton). Graduate, Winnfield public schools; B. A., M. A., Northwestern State Univ. U. S. Air Force (1968-69). Parish Demo. Exec. Com. Community Leaders of Am. (1972); past treas., Jaycees; Mason; sec., Eastern Star Lodge; Order of the Eastern Star; Rotarian. Baptist. Address: Box 333, Winnfield 71483. Phone: (313) 628-2772.



LOUIS GEORGE RIECKE

District 99; Demo. Born 12/27/03; pres., lumber co.; widower. Graduate, Orleans public schools; attended Tulane, Soule Busi-

ness Coll. and Delgado Central Trade School. Lumber and millwork (1919-72). Parish school bd. (1956-68), pres. (2 terms); bd., City Dept. of Public Welfare (1946-48); v. pres., New Orleans Charity Hospital (1940-52). Honorary life member, YMBC; pres., Elmwood Industrial Assn.; exec. com., Times Picayune Doll and Toy Fund; parish exec. com., Chamber of Commerce; past pres., La. and New Orleans YMBC. Catholic. Address: 4678 Arts St., New Orleans 70122. Phone: (504) 282-5713.



HORACE C. ROBINSON

Appointed by Governor to represent education; Demo. Born 3/15/20; exec. sec., La. Teachers' Assn. (1967 to date); married (Lillian Malone). Graduate, Claiborne Parish public schools; B. A., La. Tech.; M. Ed., LSU; additional graduate work, LSU and Univ. of Ark. Field secretary, La. Teachers' Assn. (1952-67); school principal and visiting teacher (1945-52); employee, U. S. War Dept. (1942-45); high school teacher (1940-41). Phi Kappa Phi; Nat'l Education Assn.; Phi Delta Kappa educational fraternity; past v. chm., United School Com. of La.; Nat'l Rifle Assn.; Am. Radio Relay League. Address: Box 1906, Baton Rouge 70821. Phone: (504) 343-9243.

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CHARLES E. ROEMER III

District 9; Demo. Born 10/4/43; mgr., data system co. (1969 to date). Graduate, Bossier City public schools; B. A., M. B. A., Harvard. Bank dir.; mgr., investments firm (1967-69); farm mgr. (1964-65). Delegate, Demo. nat'l convention (1972); Bossier Parish Outstanding Young Man (1971); chm., parish

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CHRIS J. ROY

District 26; Demo. Born 3/27/56; attorney (1960 to date); married (Janice Ryder). Graduate, Marksville schools; B. A., J. D., LSU. Landman (1960); deputy clerk, 3rd Circuit Court of Appeals; U. S. Army and La. Nat'l Guard (10 years). Bd. of Governors, La. Trial Lawyers Assn. and 8th Congressional District of La. State Bar Assn.; city, parish and Am. Bar Assns.; past dist. chm., Boy Scouts. Catholic. Address: Box 1792, Alexandria 71301. Phone: (318) 442-0471.



LAWRENCE B. SANDOZ, JR.

District 40; Demo. Born 7/23/21; attorney (1948 to date); married (Romaine Fontenot). Graduate, Opelousas public schools; B. A., J. D., LSU. U. S. Army Infantry (1942-45). La. and Am. Bar Assns. Catholic. Address: P. O. Drawer 900, Opelousas 70570. Phone: (318) 942-9771.



EARL JOSEPH SCHMITT

District 87; Repub. Born 12/31/44; attorney (1969 to date); married (Joyce Nicholson). Graduate, New Orleans schools; B. S., J. D.,

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PERRY SEGURA

District 49; Demo. Born 12/14/29; architect (1954 to date); married (Emma Lou Davant). Graduate, New Iberia schools; B. S., LSU; attended USL. Farmer (1947-50). State Demo. Exec. Com. (1964 to date); parish Demo. Exec. Com. (1960 to date). Catholic. Address: Box 1300, New Iberia 70560. Phone: (318) 364-2452.



VARYON C. SHANNON

District 4; Demo. Born 5/2/10; executive dir., levee bd.; married (Claire Wood). Graduate, Miss. public schools; graduate, business coll. Construction engineer, U. S. Army Corps of Engineers (1936-52). State rep. (1972 to date); dir., North Shreveport Lions Club. Baptist. Address: home—6825 Canal Blvd., Shreveport 71108; office—6122½ Hearne Ave. Shreveport. Phone: home—(318) 636-3132; office—(318) 636-5950.



JOE N. SILVERBERG

Appointed by Governor to represent public at large; Demo. Born 6/8/13; newspaper

publisher (1946 to date); married (Mary E. Mayer). Graduate, Wisc. public schools; attended Univ. of Wisc.; B. A., LSU. U. S. Army (1942-46); newspaper editor (1938-39). La. Tourist Development Comm. (1972 to date); city civil service bd. (1972 to date); Regional Planning Comm. (1961 to date); city housing authority (1950-65). City Boss of the Year (1968); chm. of city goals com. (1971); past commander, Am. Legion and VFW; dir., La. Good Roads Assn.; past pres., La. Press Assn. Jewish. Address: Box 550, Thibodaux 70301. Phone: (504) 447-4055.



ALVIN D. SINGLETARY

District 76; Demo. Born 9/27/42; attorney (1969 to date). Graduate, Slidell public schools; B. A., LSU; J. D., Loyola Univ. City, parish and La. Bar Assns.; LSU honor graduate (1964). Baptist. Address: 1410 Eighth St., Slidell 70158. Phone: (504) 643-1712.



CHARLES O. SLAY

District 27; Demo. Born 12/14/21; parish chief deputy tax assessor (1946-72); married (Elaine Sills). Graduate, Buckeye public schools; attended La. Coll. and Alexandria Business Coll. Parish school board (1948-72), pres. (2 years). Protestant. Address: Box 2002, Alexandria 71301. Phone: (318) 442-8261 or 445-7301.



JASPER K. SMITH

District 1; Demo. Born 6/20/05; attorney (1930 to date); married (Mildred Fields). Graduate, Shreveport public schools; attended Davidson Coll. and Tulane. City and parish Demo. Exec. Com.; city attorney (1934 to date); state rep. (1944-48, 1952-64). City and La. Bar Assns.; Am. Judicature Soc.; past pres., Lions Club; Mason. Presbyterian. Address: 211 W. Tennessee Ave., Vivian 71082. Phone: (318) 375-2669.



NOVYSE E. SONIAT

District 88; Demo. Born 6/24/28; office mgr. (1957 to date); married (Llewelyn J.). Graduate, Shreveport public schools; attended Southern Univ. and Xavier Univ.; completed executive secretarial course. NAACP. Catholic. Address: 1323 Joliet St., New Orleans 70118. Phone: (504) 866-1322.



TOM STAGG

District 5; Repub. Born 1/19/23; attorney (1949 to date); married (Margaret Mary C'Brien). Graduate, Shreveport public schools; attended Marion Military Institute and Cambridge Univ.; B. A., J. D., LSU. Second Lt. to capt., U. S. Army (1943-46); pres. of two real estate investment firms,

managing partner, shopping center. La. Governor's Offshore Revenue Advisory Com.; Repub. State Central Com. (1956 to date); Repub. Nat'l Committeeman (1964-72); delegate to Repub. nat'l conventions (1956, 60, 64, 68, 72); chm., Shreveport Airport Authority; city, La. and Am. Bar Assns.; Chamber of Commerce; Sierra Club; Am. Legion; Wilderness Soc.; Photographic Soc. of Am.; PAR; CABL; LSU Foundation; La. Forestry Assn.; La. Wildlife Federation. Address: 808 Beck Bldg., Shreveport 71101. Phone: (318) 424-3294.



JAMES E. STEPHENSON

District 31; Demo. Born 6/6/26; doctor of chiropractic (1950 to date); married (Marjorie Bordosky). Graduate, Ganado, Tex. public schools; attended Texas A. & M.; D. C., Texas Chiropractic Coll. State rep. (1972 to date). U. S. Maritime Service (1943-45). Past master, Masonic Lodge. Methodist. Address: 304 N. Pine St., De Ridder 70634. Phone: (318) 463-7313.



FORD STINSON

District 8; Demo. Born 8/24/14; attorney, cattleman, farmer (1936 to date); married (Edna Earle Richardson). Graduate, Benton public schools; graduate, LSU Law School. Air Force (1941-46). City and parish Demo. Exec. Com. (1937 to date); state rep. (1940-44, 1952-72); town councilman (1937-40). VFW; 40 & 8; Lion; Farm Bureau; Cattlemen's Assn.; parish, La. and Am. Bar Assns.; La. and Am. Trial Lawyers Assn.; Kappa Alpha social fraternity; Phi Delta Phi legal fraternity; Red River Valley Improvement Assn.; LSU Alumni Assn.; Chamber of Com-

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JAMES L. STOVALL

District 79; Demo. Born 3/20/19; minister (1943 to date); married (Alice Balay Mills). Graduate, Shreveport public schools; A. B., Centenary Coll.; B. D., Southern Methodist Univ. U. S. Navy (1943-45). La. State Apprenticeship Council (1963-73). Founder, E. Baton Rouge Parish Family Counseling Service; past pres., E. Baton Rouge and Calcasieu Ministerial Assn.; United Givers; chm., Bd. of the Church and Soc. for the La. Conference of the Methodist Church; delegate to 1972 Methodist Church General Conference and Jurisdictional Conference; Mason. Methodist. Address: home—2512 Margie St., Metairie 70003; business—1901 Lexington Ave., Monroe 71201. Phone: (318) 322-4454 or 322-4305 (Monroe).



MATTHEW R. SUTHERLAND

District 86; Dem. Born 2/7/19; attorney (1949 to date); married (Bonnie Gaffney). Graduate, New Orleans schools; attended LSU; B. A., LL. B., Tulane. 2nd v. pres. and general counsel, life insurance co.; U. S. Navy (1942-45). Parish school bd. (1954-66), pres., (1959, 63, 66); bd., Orleans Teachers' Retirement and Delgado Trades and Technical Institute; Past pres., La. School Bd. Assn.; dir., Nat'l School Bd. Assn.; Who's Who in Am.; Chamber of Commerce; YMBC; International House; bd., Total Community Action; steering com., Am. Red Cross; city, La and Am. Bar Assn.; International Claims Assn.; Assn. of Life Insurance Counsel. Legislative Com., Health Insurance Assn. of Am.

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ELMER R. TAPPER

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ALBERT TATE, JR.

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NOTES

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The meetings of January 24 and January 25, 1973, were recorded but not transcribed. The Committee used delegate preference lists as the starting point for committee assignment discussions.

No other meetings were held by the Committee on Committees after their report of January 30, Journal, 60-61.

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Dear Ms. Harris:

Your request on behalf of Mr. Guy Van Doren for information concerning the constitutional convention in Louisiana, 1973-74 was referred to this office. Mrs. Norma Duncan, our assistant director, was the research director of the convention. She suggests that you contact Paul Hardy, Secretary of State, P.O. Box 44125, Baton Rouge, LA 70804 if you are interested in obtaining the Convention Records. This is a 14 volume set which includes the Proceedings and Committee Documents. I am sending you some pages from the bibliography PAR Publications, June 1951-March 1979 which include a description of the Public Affairs Research Council and a list of their publications which deal with the convention. Enclosed is a copy of one of these publications; A Citizens Guide to the 1973 Constitutional Convention. If you are interested in obtaining the others, they should be ordered directly from PAR.

Act No. 2 of the 1972 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature is the call for the constitutional convention. Committee Resolution 1 of the convention specifies the convention rules. The page from the Committee Documents gives the procedural committees and their members. Also included is a reference guide prepared at the time of the convention.

I hope that this information will be of service to you.

Yours truly,
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Constitutional Convention of Louisiana of 1973

Committee Resolution No. 1

By Mr. Stagg on behalf of the Temporary Committee on Rules

A RESOLUTION

To provide for the standing rules of the Constitutional Convention.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Louisiana Constitutional Convention of 1973 that the following be adopted as the standing rules of the Convention until otherwise amended or rescinded as herein provided:

CHAPTER 1

General Provisions

Quorum and Majority

Rule No. 1. Call to Order. The Convention shall convene at such time as ordered on the preceding working day by a majority of the delegates and the chairman shall call the Convention to order at that time. If a quorum is in attendance, the chairman shall cause the Journal of the preceding day to be read unless otherwise ordered by the Convention, to the end that any mistake may be corrected.

Rule No. 2. Quorum. Sixty-seven delegates to the Convention shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Rule No. 3. Roll Call. The secretary shall call the roll at the opening of each session of the Convention and announce whether or not a quorum is present. He shall announce the names of the delegates absent with leave of the

1 Convention and the names of delegates absent without leave,
2 and enter the names of all those present and absent upon the
3 Journal. If a voting machine is provided, the machine shall
4 be used whenever a roll call or a vote by yeas and nays is
5 directed by or in accordance with these rules.

6 Rule No. 4. Quorum Calls. A quorum call may be demanded
7 by any delegate during any session of the Convention. When,
8 upon such call, it is found that less than a quorum is pre-
9 sent, the chairman shall order the doors of the Convention
10 closed and direct the secretary to call the roll of the Con-
11 vention and to note the names of the absentees. After such
12 roll call the names of the absentees shall again be called
13 and those for whose absence no excuse, or an insufficient
14 excuse, is made, may, by order of a majority of delegates
15 present, be sent for and taken into custody by the Sergeant-
16 at-Arms, or by his assistants appointed for the purpose,
17 and brought to the floor of the Convention.

18 Rule No. 5. Absence from Convention Service. No delegate
19 shall absent himself from the service of the Convention while in
20 session without obtaining leave of the Convention. Leave for
21 absence from a daily session may be obtained from the chairman
22 as provided in Rule 34.

23 Rule No. 6. Absent Delegates. At any time the Conven-
24 tion is in session, whether upon first convening of the day's
25 session or at any time after the hour has arrived to which the
26 Convention stood adjourned, the chairman is authorized to
27 send the Sergeant-at-Arms for any or all absent delegates as
28 the majority of such delegates present shall agree.

29 Rule No. 7. Expense of Compelling Attendance. Any
30 expenses involved in compelling the presence of an absent
31 delegate shall be borne by such delegate, unless such excuse
32 of non-attendance has been made as a majority of a quorum
33 shall judge sufficient, in which case the expense shall be
34 paid out of the appropriated funds to the Convention.

35 Admission to Floor

1 Rule No. 8. Persons Admitted. No person shall be
2 admitted on the Convention floor while the Convention is in
3 session or during the period five minutes before the time
4 set for the convening of each session or the period five
5 minutes after the adjournment of each session, except that
6 delegates and members of the Convention staff may remain on
7 the floor. Representatives of the news media shall be ad-
8 mitted to the floor as provided in Rule 11. Written messages
9 may be delivered to the delegates by a sergeant-at-arms from
10 persons outside the restricted area. The Convention floor,
11 for purposes of these rules, is defined as the entire enclosed
12 seating area of the delegates.

13 Rule No. 9. Restrictions on the Convention Floor. One
14 chair shall be allowed each delegate on the Convention floor
15 and no other chairs shall be permitted in this section.

16 Rule No. 10. Special Permission. Special permission to
17 sit on the Convention floor may be granted by the chairman of
18 the Convention to visiting officials of other states or of the
19 United States or of foreign countries.

20 Rule No. 11. News Media. A designated place in the Con-
21 vention Hall shall be provided for the news media, who shall
22 have free access thereto. Accreditation of members of the
23 press and of members of any news media for admission shall be
24 administered by the Chairman. No member of the press or of
25 any news media shall conduct any interview with a delegate on
26 the Convention floor while the Convention is in session.

27 Rule No. 12. Administration of Rules. The Chairman of
28 the Convention shall provide for the administration of the
29 rules governing admission to the Convention as provided
30 herein.

31 Rule No. 13. Regulation of Convention Area. The Chair-
32 man shall have the regulation and control of such parts of
33 the Convention Hall and its passage or any other places of
34 general assembly as are or may be set apart for the use of
35 the Convention, its officers and employees.

1 Rule No. 14. Restrictions on Non-Delegates. No motion
2 shall be deemed in order, except a motion to suspend the rules
3 or a motion to go into the Committee of the Whole, to admit
4 any person not a delegate to the Convention floor to present
5 any petition, memorial or address, or to read same, except in
6 the Committee of the Whole as may be provided by the Convention
7 in accordance with Rule No. 65.

8 Rule No. 15. Open Meetings. All meetings of the Conven-
9 tion shall be open to the public and the news media.

10 CHAPTER 2

11 Officers, Employees, and Duties

12 Officers

13 Rule No. 16. Convention Officers. The officers of the
14 Convention shall be a Chairman, who shall be Chairman of the
15 Convention, a First Vice-Chairman, three Vice-Chairmen, a
16 Secretary, and a Treasurer. There shall be an Executive Com-
17 mittee which shall be composed of the officers of the Convention
18 and sixteen delegates, with two delegates to be elected from each
19 congressional district in which they resided at the time of quali-
20 fication or appointment. Such voting shall be in separate con-
21 gressional caucuses. The Chairman of the Convention shall serve
22 as Chairman of the Executive Committee. No member of the Executive
23 Committee, other than the Chairman of the Convention shall serve on
24 the Committee on Committees nor shall the Executive Committee serve
25 as the Committee on Committees. The officers of the Convention
26 shall be delegates to the Convention and shall each be elected in
27 separate elections by a majority vote of all the delegates of
28 the Convention.

29 Employees

30 Rule No. 17. Convention Employees.

31 A. A Chief Clerk and a Sergeant-at-Arms shall be employed
32 by the Chairman of the Convention subject to the approval of
33 a majority vote of the entire Convention; they shall not be
34 delegates to the Convention.

35 B. All other employees, necessary to aid the Convention,

1 shall be employed by the Executive Committee of the Convention
2 in accordance with Act 2 of the 1972 Regular Session.

3 Executive Committee

4 Rule No. 18. Duties. The Executive Committee shall:

5 A. Employ a research director, research assistants,
6 secretarial and/or clerical personnel and such other employees
7 as it deems necessary, in accordance with provisions of Act 2
8 of the 1972 Regular Session. The Executive Committee shall be
9 a committee on administration, which shall consider research
10 materials and personnel, convention budget and finance and
11 other administrative details, facilities and physical
12 arrangements for the Convention, for committee hearings and
13 for the staff, outside grants and assistance to the Conven-
14 tion, purchases and rental of equipment, supplies and services,
15 printing and related matters.

16 B. Assist the Chairman of the Convention in the assign-
17 ment of delegates to their seats.

18 C. Serve as the executive board of the Convention in
19 all matters requiring official sanction.

20 D. Assist the Chairman of the Convention in his capacity
21 as supervisor of the research staff of the Convention.

22 E. Any other provision in these rules to the contrary
23 notwithstanding the Executive Committee may, when performing
24 the duties assigned it in this rule, with respect to personnel
25 matters, meet in Executive Session but no committee action shall
26 be taken while in Executive Session.

27 F. Any delegate may attend any executive session held by
28 the Executive Committee or any other committee.

29 The Chairman

30 Rule No. 19. Duties. The Chairman shall be the presiding
31 officer and the Chief Executive Officer of the Convention,
32 and as such, Chairman of the Executive Committee. He shall:

33 A. Preside at sessions of the Convention and exercise the
34 usual powers and perform the usual duties of a presiding
35 officer;

- 1 B. Preserve order and decorum;
- 2 C. Speak to points of order, and subject to an appeal to
3 the Convention, decide all points of order;
- 4 D. Confine delegates in debate to the question, prevent
5 personal reflections, and determine the order of recognition
6 when two or more delegates rise at the same time;
- 7 E. Designate the First Vice-Chairman to preside in his
8 absence and establish the order of the Vice-Chairmen to preside
9 in the absence of both the Chairman and the First Vice-Chairman;
- 10 F. Name a delegate to preside as chairman on each occasion
11 when the Convention sits as a Committee of the Whole;
- 12 G. Assign, with the assistance of the Executive Committee,
13 the delegates to their seats;
- 14 H. At the request of at least twenty-seven delegates, a
15 recorded yea and nay vote shall be ordered by the Chairman;
- 16 I. Sign all official documents of the Convention,
17 attested by the Secretary;
- 18 J. Make corrections of the official journal of the
19 Convention, if necessary, attested by the Secretary with
20 notification of any substantive changes being made to the
21 Convention at large;
- 22 K. Direct the Convention in its official activities,
23 including naming delegates to perform duties connected with
24 the business of the Convention;
- 25 L. Not engage in debate when sitting as Chairman, nor
26 shall he vote on appeals from his rulings;
- 27 M. Maintain general control of the Convention Hall,
28 its environs, and all rooms set apart for use of the Con-
29 vention;
- 30 N. Sign all warrants;
- 31 O. Supervise the Convention staff, provided that he may
32 delegate certain of this function to members of the staff;
- 33 P. On his own initiative or at the direction of the
34 Convention appoint such special committees as may be neces-
35 sary to perform special functions.

1 First Vice-Chairman

2 Rule No. 20. Duties. The First Vice-Chairman shall serve
3 as First Vice-Chairman of the Convention, and as such, shall:

4 A. Preside as acting Convention chairman, when requested
5 to do so by the Convention Chairman, or in the absence or
6 inability of the Chairman to serve;

7 B. Serve as a member of the Executive Committee of the
8 Convention, and carry out such other duties as are assigned
9 by the Chairman;

10 C. Serve as an ex officio member of the Committee on
11 Rules, Credentials, Ethics and Schedules, but shall have no
12 vote therein and shall not be counted for the purpose of
13 obtaining a quorum thereof.

14 Vice-Chairmen

15 Rule No. 21. Duties. The Vice-Chairmen shall:

16 A. Preside in the absence of the Chairman and the First
17 Vice-Chairman in the order established by the Chairman as
18 provided in Rule No. 19E;

19 B. Serve as members of the Executive Committee and
20 carry out such duties as are assigned by the Chairman.

21 C. The Chairman shall designate Vice-Chairmen to serve
22 ex officio on each of the three remaining procedural commit-
23 tees, no Vice-Chairman shall have a vote on the committee
24 to which he is assigned and shall not be counted for the
25 purpose of obtaining a quorum thereof.

26 Secretary

27 Rule No. 22. Duties. The Secretary shall:

28 A. Exercise responsibility for the accuracy of the
29 Convention Journal of Proceedings, and the daily publica-
30 tion and distribution of the Journal;

31 B. Keep a verbatim written record and a sound record-
32 ing of all sessions of the Convention and of the Com-
33 mittee of the Whole;

34 C. Prepare a daily calendar of business and notices
35 of schedules of all committee meetings;

1 D. Receive, reproduce, number, and distribute all
2 resolutions, delegate and committee proposals;

3 E. Read to the Convention all proposals, resolutions,
4 petitions, memorials and communications;

5 F. Exercise responsibility for roll calls of the
6 delegates;

7 G. Attest where necessary all official documents of
8 the Convention;

9 H. Preserve and safeguard all original copies of official
10 documents and be responsible for the preservation of all
11 proceedings of the Convention and its committees, and see
12 that all records are properly preserved in archives of the
13 state;

14 I. Serve as a member of the Executive Committee;

15 J. Perform such other duties as may be designated by
16 the Chairman or the Executive Committee.

17 Rule No. 23. Delegation of Secretary's Duties to Chief
18 Clerk. Except for certification of official acts, documents
19 and vouchers, and service on the Executive Committee, the
20 Secretary may delegate his duties to the Chief Clerk, sub-
21 ject to supervision by the Secretary.

22 The Treasurer

23 Rule No. 24. Duties. The Treasurer shall:

24 A. Exercise responsibility for the accuracy of the
25 Convention's financial records and the monthly distribution
26 of financial statements to the delegates of the Convention;

27 B. Co-sign, with the Convention Chairman, all warrants;

28 C. Serve as custodian of all Convention financial
29 records;

30 D. Assist in the preparation of the Convention's budget;

31 E. File quarterly audits and the final audit of financial
32 records with the State Treasurer, Clerk of the House of Repre-
33 sentatives and the Secretary of the Senate;

34 F. Make financial records of the Convention available for
35 audit to the Louisiana Legislative Auditor quarterly and at

1 the end of the Convention;

2 G. Serve as a member of the Executive Committee, and carry
3 out such other duties as may be assigned by the Chairman.

4 Chief Clerk

5 Rule No. 25. Duties. The Chief Clerk:

6 A. Shall not be a delegate to the Convention;

7 B. Shall perform general administrative duties of the
8 Convention subject to supervision of the Chairman, and when
9 he assumes the duties of the Secretary as provided in Rule
10 No. 22, he shall do so under the supervision of the Secretary;

11 C. Shall be answerable to the entire Convention for
12 faithful execution of his duties and the smooth functioning
13 of the Convention in assembly as a deliberative body;

14 D. Shall serve as Parliamentarian of the Convention
15 and shall be advisor and counsel to the Chairman and committee
16 chairmen on all matters of parliamentary procedure; however,
17 all parliamentary rulings shall be the responsibility of,
18 and shall be made by, the Chairman or Committee Chairmen in
19 committee.

20 Rule No. 25.1. Signing of Checks. All checks shall be
21 signed by the Chairman or the first Vice-Chairman and by the
22 treasurer or the chief clerk.

23 Sergeant-at-Arms

24 Rule No. 26. Duties. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall:

25 A. Attend the Convention during its sitting, to execute
26 commands as directed to him by the chairman, including sign-
27 ing for and delivery of correspondence addressed to delegates;

28 B. Maintain order in the Convention Hall and execute
29 Rules of the Convention concerning admission to the floor;

30 C. Maintain order at committee hearings and assist
31 committee chairmen in their duties.

32 D. Exercise supervisory control over his assistants,
33 subject to direction of the chairman.

34 Rule 26.1. Vacancies. If a vacancy occurs in the office
35 of Chairman, the first Vice-Chairman shall temporarily preside

1 until the Convention elects a Chairman to fill the office in
2 the same manner in which the officer was first elected.

3 If a vacancy occurs in the office of any of the Vice-
4 Chairmen or in the office of the Secretary or Treasurer,
5 the Chairman shall appoint a delegate to exercise the powers
6 of that vacant office until the Convention fills the vacancy
7 in the same manner in which the officer was first elected.

8 CHAPTER 3

9 Delegates

10 Rule No. 27. Delegates Oath. No delegate shall be
11 qualified to serve unless and until he has taken the pre-
12 scribed oaths.

13 Rule No. 28. Recognition in Debate. When any delegate
14 desires to speak in debate or present any matter to the
15 Convention, he shall rise and address himself to the chair.
16 He shall not speak until recognized, and when recognized,
17 he shall confine himself to the question under debate.

18 Rule No. 29. Transgression of Rules. If any delegate
19 in speaking or otherwise, transgresses the rules of the
20 Convention, the chairman shall call the delegate to order;
21 in which case the delegate shall sit down and shall not
22 proceed without leave of the chairman or the Convention.

23 Rule No. 30. Limits on Debate. Delegates shall not
24 speak more than once to the same question, nor more than
25 fifteen minutes, without leave of the Convention,
26 unless the delegate is the mover, proposer or introducer
27 of the matter pending, in which case, either the delegate
28 and/or his designees shall be permitted to speak in reply,
29 but not until every delegate choosing to speak shall have
30 spoken, except where the previous question or the previous
31 question on the entire subject matter has been ordered.
32 When the previous question has been ordered, the mover,
33 proposer or introducer shall nonetheless have the right
34 to speak or reply as provided in Rule No. 26. The time
35 for reply shall not exceed a total of fifteen minutes.

1 Rule No. 31. Prohibited Behavior. No delegate shall
2 walk off of the Convention floor during roll calls, nor
3 shall any delegate in any way impede the business of the
4 Convention by interrupting delegates who are speaking, by
5 use of objectionable language, or by engaging in any way
6 in discourteous conduct.

7 Rule No. 32. Questions of Order. Every question of
8 order shall be decided by the chairman, without debate,
9 subject to an appeal. The chairman may call for the sense
10 of the Convention on any question of order, but when an
11 appeal has been taken from the decision of the chair, any
12 subsequent question of order which may arise from the
13 decision of such appeal by the Convention shall be decided
14 by the chairman without debate, and all appeals therefrom
15 shall also be decided by the Convention without debate.
16 Appeals from any ruling of the chairman shall be affirmatively put, and to overrule the chairman, shall require the
17 same vote required to suspend the rules. (See Rule No. 85.)

18 Rule No. 33. Answering Roll Calls. Every delegate
19 must be at his desk when a roll call is being taken, and
20 answers to roll calls from other locations on the Convention floor shall not be counted.

21 Rule No. 34. Absence from Daily Sessions. A delegate
22 may be excused from attendance at daily sessions only with
23 leave from the chairman, and no delegate shall be compensated for a day on which he is absent from Convention sessions.

24 Rule No. 35. Vacancies. By a vote of at least two-thirds of the delegates to the Convention, the seat of a
25 delegate may be declared vacant by the Convention if the
26 delegate has been absent for at least fifteen unexcused, consecutive, opening roll calls. In the event of the
27 death of, or written resignation by a delegate, the seat
28 may be immediately declared vacant by the Chairman. The
29 Chairman shall notify the Governor of any vacancy.

30 Rule No. 36. Voting in Person. No person other than
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1 the delegate himself, will be permitted to vote to answer
2 any roll call or quorum call.

3 CHAPTER 4

4 Proposals

5 Rule No. 37. Proposal. Any original suggestion, prop-
6 osition, or draft intended to become a part of the Con-
7 stitution shall be referred to as a proposal. A proposal
8 introduced by a delegate shall be designated as a delegate
9 proposal, and a proposal submitted by a committee shall
10 be designated as a committee proposal. An amendment shall
11 be designated as an amendment.

12 Rule No. 38. Resolutions. All matters of general
13 convention business, other than proposals intended to be-
14 come a part of the Constitution, shall be proposed through
15 the instrument of a resolution, which instrument shall be
16 so designated and may be introduced at any time.

17 A resolution introduced by a delegate shall be designated
18 as a delegate resolution, and a resolution submitted by a
19 committee shall be designated as a committee resolution.

20 Resolutions shall be subject to the same rules of read-
21 ings, committee referral and adoption as proposals. Resolu-
22 tions shall contain a short title which shall be reflective
23 of its purpose and substance, and shall comply with the
24 form requirements of Rule No. 41.

25 Rule No. 39. Introduction. A proposal may be intro-
26 duced by a delegate or delegates or by a committee on behalf
27 of a majority of its membership.

28 Rule No. 40. Introduction of Committee Proposals.
29 Committee proposals prepared and approved by the several
30 committees of the Convention prior to July 5, 1973, shall
31 constitute the first proposals to be introduced in the
32 Convention and shall be introduced by the chairman of
33 each committee or his designee and shall bear the signature
34 of a majority of the members of the committee. These
35 proposals as far as completed shall be mailed to all

1 Convention delegates on or before June 22, 1973.

2 Rule No. 41. Form of Proposals. Delegate proposals
3 shall be distinguished from committee proposals and all
4 proposals shall be separately numbered. All proposals
5 shall be introduced or submitted in eight copies. All
6 proposals must be typed, double spaced on 8-1/2-by-14-inch
7 paper in a type face with excellent reproduction qualities.
8 A margin of one inch on the left and right side and at the
9 top and bottom shall be preserved. The lines on each page
10 shall be numbered consecutively from top to bottom at the
11 left margin, and the left typing margin shall be two spaces
12 to the right of the line numbers. Pages commencing with
13 page two shall be numbered at the top center of the page.
14 The original of all proposals shall remain in the custody
15 of the Convention. The secretary shall, as soon as any
16 proposal is printed, place it on the desks of the dele-
17 gates. The caption of each proposal shall be substantially
18 in the following form:

19 Constitutional Convention of Louisiana of 1973

20 PROPOSAL
21 (Committee or Delegate) (Number)
22 Introduced by _____
23 (Name of Delegate or Committee Chairman)

24 Each proposal shall also contain a short title stating
25 concisely the general nature of its subject matter.

26 Rule No. 42. Deadline on Proposals. No proposals may
27 be introduced by delegates or committees after the first
28 sixty days following July 5, 1973. Amendments to proposals
29 may be offered any time.

30 Rule No. 43. Printing. Each proposal introduced shall
31 be immediately printed and distributed to the delegates and
32 shall be available to the general public and other interested
33 parties. No final action may be taken on any proposals until
34 printed copies have been distributed to the delegates for at
35 least forty-eight hours.

1 Rule No. 44. Order of Processing. The order of Conven-
2 tion procedure in processing each proposal shall be as
3 follows:

4 A. Introduction, which shall constitute the first
5 reading.

6 B. Committee referrals: Committee proposals shall be
7 referred to the Committee offering the proposal. Delegate
8 proposals shall be referred by the Chairman of the Conven-
9 tion to the appropriate committee based on the subject
10 matter of the proposal. The chairman shall announce his
11 referral to the delegates and if no objection is raised,
12 the proposal shall be referred to the Committee designated
13 by the chairman; if objection is raised, the referral shall
14 be made by the Convention. Referrals shall be made the day
15 following introduction. Committee referral shall commence
16 the second reading.

17 C. Committee reports.

18 D. Consideration of and voting on the substantive com-
19 mittee report by delegates in general assembly.

20 E. If recommitment, reconsideration by substantive
21 committee or committee of the whole.

22 F. Reference to Committee on Style and Drafting.

23 G. Engrossment, which shall complete the second reading.

24 H. Third reading and final passage.

25 I. Enrollment.

26 J. Referral to Committee on Style and Drafting.

27 K. Convention approval of final styling.

28 L. Final enrollment.

29 Each of the three required readings shall occur on three
30 different days.

31 Rule No. 45. Order of Proposal. When a proposal
32 is up for third reading and final passage, it shall be
33 read, debated, and acted upon separately by sections.
34 Each section shall be considered a separate question for
35 the purpose of "limits on debate" provided for in Rule

1 No. 39.

2 Rule No. 46. Amendments. Amendments shall be sub-
3 mitted in writing, and a copy of every such amendment
4 shall be distributed to each delegate before a vote
5 occurs thereon.

6 Rule No. 47. Styling and Drafting. When all proposals
7 have been processed, the entirety of those adopted shall be
8 sent to the Committee on Style and Drafting for orderly
9 arrangement in the new proposed Constitution, to the end
10 that the document shall be properly coordinated and uniform
11 in style, and such final draft must be approved by a majority
12 of the delegates to the Convention.

13 Rule No. 48. Distribution. For the purpose of these
14 rules "distribution" shall mean that a copy of any document
15 is placed on the desk or chair of each delegate.

16 CHAPTER 5

17 Committees

18 Substantive, Procedural and Other

19 Rule No. 49. Substantive Committees.

20 A. The following substantive committees are hereby created:

21 1. Committee on Bill of Rights and Elections, which
22 shall consider the Preamble, Bill of Rights, Human Rights,
23 Obligations of Citizenship, distribution of powers, suffrage
24 and election, the amendment process, and future constitu-
25 tional conventions;

26 2. Committee on Executive Department, which shall
27 consider the offices comprising the executive department,
28 reorganization, term of the Governor and other elected
29 officials, and impeachment;

30 3. Committee on Legislative Powers and Functions, which
31 shall consider the Legislative Department, apportionment,
32 qualifications, regular and special session;

33 4. Committee on Judiciary, which shall consider the
34 judiciary, tenure and selection of judges, the Department
35 of Justice, district attorneys, sheriffs, clerks of court

1 and coroners;

2 5. Committee on Local and Parochial Government, which
3 shall consider local and parochial government, home rule,
4 special districts, consolidation of governments and
5 intergovernmental cooperation;

6 6. Committee on Revenue, Finance and Taxation, which
7 shall consider revenue, finance, taxation, assessors and
8 assessment, exemptions, state debts and management of state
9 funds;

10 7. Committee on Education and Welfare, which shall
11 consider public education, welfare, consumer affairs, civil
12 service, labor and industry; and

13 8. Committee on Natural Resources and Environment,
14 which shall consider public lands, minerals, water resources,
15 wildlife, environmental concerns, recreation and agriculture.

16 B. Other provisions that may not be covered by the areas
17 of responsibility shown above may be assigned by the Coordinating
18 Committee to the appropriate substantive committee.

19 Rule No. 50. Procedural Committees.

20 The following procedural committees are hereby created:

21 1. Committee on Rules, Credentials and Ethics, which
22 shall consider rules, credentials of delegates, ques-
23 tions of ethics, news media and employees, and shall
24 consider all questions on any procedural disputes referred
25 to it by the Chairman or by the Convention;

26 2. Committee on Style and Drafting, which shall have
27 control over literary style, consistency, arrangement and
28 numbering. The committee shall have authority to rephrase
29 or to regroup proposed language, but shall have no authority
30 to change the sense or purpose of any proposal referred to
31 it. When a proposal is referred to it in amended or in
32 conflict with a proposal already acted on favorably by the
33 Convention the committee shall at the third reading (Rule
34 4(d)) so notify the Convention of that inconsistency or
35 conflict and wait upon its instructions.

1 3. Committee on Legislative Liaison and Transitional
2 Measures, which shall maintain liaison with the legislative
3 branch and the Louisiana Law Institute and provide for co-
4 ordination of the transition of subject matter from the
5 Constitution to the appropriate law; and

6 4. Committee on Public Information, which shall con-
7 sider and implement measures to inform the people on the
8 actions, procedures, recommendations and activities of the
9 Convention. It shall plan and implement the report to be
10 given to the voters of Louisiana on the result of the
11 Convention's work, and shall direct the effort to obtain
12 approval of the new Constitution and the form and manner
13 of presentation.

14 Rule No. 51. Appointment of Committees.

15 The selection of delegates to serve on the substantive
16 and procedural committees shall be determined as follows:

17 Within twenty-four hours after the adoption of these rules
18 by the Convention, each delegate shall submit in writing to
19 the Convention the committee or committees in order of
20 preference to which he or she desires to be appointed.

21 A Committee on Committees shall select from among said
22 delegates the delegates to serve on each committee based
23 primarily on the preference of each delegate and giving
24 due consideration to the qualifications, experience and
25 residence of each delegate so as to provide as nearly as possible
26 a fair and balanced representation on each committee of this
27 Convention.

28 Rule No. 52. Committee on Committees.

29 The Committee on Committees shall be composed of the
30 Chairman of the Convention who shall be chairman of the
31 Committee on Committees and sixteen delegates, with two dele-
32 gates to be elected from each congressional district by
33 the delegates voting in the congressional district in which
34 they resided at the time of qualification or appointment.
35 Such voting shall be in separate caucuses.

1 No member of the Committee on Committees shall be elected
2 a Chairman or a Vice-Chairman of a substantive or procedural
3 committee.

4 Rule No. 53. Service on Committees.

5 Each substantive and procedural committee shall be com-
6 posed of at least ten delegates and no more than thirty. The
7 Committee on Committees shall determine the size of each sub-
8 stantive and procedural committee within such limitations. Each
9 delegate except the Convention Chairman shall serve on at
10 least one and only one substantive committee and may serve on
11 no more than one procedural committee. Each committee
12 shall elect a chairman, vice-chairman, and such other
13 officers as the committee deems necessary. No delegate
14 serving on the Executive Committee shall serve as Chairman
15 or Vice-Chairman of any substantive committee. The Chairman
16 of the Convention shall designate the date and place of the
17 original meeting of each committee at which committee meeting
18 officers are to be elected and each committee member is to be
19 notified in person or by certified mail of such designation.

20 The Chairman of the Convention shall be ex officio a
21 member of all substantive committees, but shall have no
22 vote therein and shall not be counted for the purpose of
23 obtaining a quorum thereof.

24 Rule No. 54. Coordinating Committee. The Coordinating
25 Committee shall be composed of the Chairman and First Vice-
26 Chairman of the Convention, and the chairmen of the respec-
27 tive substantive committees. The Coordinating Committee
28 shall consider any issues regarding overlap and/or
29 conflict which might arise concerning the jurisdiction of
30 any substantive committee or any subject matter; call joint
31 meetings of any substantive committees for the purpose of
32 discussing any overlap and/or conflict which might
33 arise and make recommendations to the respective substan-
34 tive committees as to possible resolution thereof and shall
35 assure that each provision of the Constitution of 1921,

1 an amended, shall have been considered by at least one sub-
2 stantive committee.

3 Rule No. 55. Other Committees. The Convention, by a
4 majority vote of the delegates present and voting, shall
5 have authority to create other committees, including special
6 advisory committees, as it deems necessary, and all sub-
7 stantive and procedural committees may create such sub-
8 committees as each deems necessary, provided that all such
9 sub-committees shall be created only by a majority vote of
10 the creating body.

11 Rule No. 56. Proposals. The various articles of the
12 proposed draft of a Constitution shall be prepared under
13 the direction and supervision of the respective substantive
14 committees. The research staff shall be assigned to the
15 respective committees by the Chairman of the Convention
16 after consultation with the chairman of the committee to
17 which the staff will be assigned.

18 Committee Meetings and Hearings

19 Rule No. 57. Quorum and Rules of Committees. A majority
20 of any committee constitutes a quorum. The rules of the
21 Convention shall be observed in all committees as far as may
22 be applicable, and, if applicable, may not be suspended. Any
23 committee may adopt its own rules of procedure. No committee
24 rule shall conflict with the Rules of the Convention, except
25 that any committee may establish a different rule with respect
26 to limits on debate.

27 Rule No. 58. A. Public Hearings, Records. No committee
28 shall sit during sessions of the Convention or of the Commit-
29 tee of the Whole without special leave of a majority of
30 Convention delegates present and voting. All committee
31 meetings and hearings shall be publicized, shall be open to
32 the public, and may be recorded verbatim, including the testi-
33 mony of those wishing to be heard. Minutes of the committee
34 meetings shall be recorded. All committees shall, and are
35 hereby authorized to, hold public hearings as shown on a

1 committee or through a designated sub-committee, said hearings
2 to be conducted at such localities throughout the State as
3 the committee may designate.

4 B. Appearance of Delegates or Witnesses. Any person
5 wishing to be heard before a committee shall have a right
6 to be heard subject to the rules of that committee.

7 C. Testimony. Committees and sub-committees may take
8 testimony under oath or affirmation, and the chairman of any
9 committee or sub-committee is authorized to administer the oath.

10 D. Any person not a delegate appearing before a committee
11 or sub-committee shall identify himself by name and address
12 and shall state whether or not he is representing any other
13 person or interest.

14 Rule No. 59. Calling of Committees and Agenda. Each
15 committee shall meet at the call of its chairman, who shall
16 also set its agenda, subject to the approval of a majority of
17 the Committee. One-third of the members of a commit-
18 tee may in writing request the chairman to call a meeting
19 of that committee, and, upon his failure to do so within
20 forty-eight hours not including Saturdays, Sundays, and
21 legal holidays, a majority of the members of the committee
22 shall have the right to call a meeting of the committee and
23 set its agenda and place of meeting under the appropriate
24 notice requirements. Each proposal referred to a committee
25 must appear on the committee's agenda at least once.

26 Rule No. 60. Reports. All proposals submitted to a
27 substantive or procedural committee shall be reported from
28 that committee indicating committee action provided that a
29 majority of the committee membership present and voting must
30 approve the committee report; a minority report may also
31 be made by any member of a substantive committee.

32 No resolution, petition, memorial or proposal shall be
33 reported by a committee unless a public hearing on the
34 measure first has been held by the committee. No committee
35 shall report a measure to the Convention pursuant to a

1 procedure, referred to as a "round robin."

2 Rule No. 61. Form of Reports. The chairman of a
3 substantive committee shall write after each proposal or
4 resolution only the words "reported favorably," "reported
5 unfavorably," "reported with amendments," "reported without
6 action," "reported without action with recommendation that
7 it be recommitteed to the Committee on _____," "reported
8 by substitute," as the case may be, which report shall be
9 signed by the chairman. Should amendments be proposed,
10 such amendment or amendments shall be written on a separate
11 paper, original and two copies, numbered consecutively, and
12 attached to the proposal or resolution, and under no circum-
13 stances shall words or sentences be interlined on the body
14 of the measure, and the same be marked while in possession
15 of committee.

16 Rule No. 62. Notice of Committee Meetings. A. No
17 committee meetings may be held unless notice thereof is
18 given in the following manner: The chairman of the committee
19 or one of the members of the committee calling the meeting
20 under the authority of Rule 59 shall notify the Secretary
21 of the Convention of the time, date, place and agenda of the
22 committee meeting. Within twenty-four hours thereafter
23 the Secretary shall mail notices of such meeting to all members
24 of the committee, all persons who have filed written requests
25 for notice with the Secretary, and to all members of the Con-
26 vention who have introduced proposals on the subject matter
27 to be considered. The committee hearing shall not be scheduled
28 less than four days from the date of notice to the Secretary.
29 This rule shall apply only when the convention is not in
30 session.

31 B. Committee and sub-committee meetings called while the
32 Convention is in session may be called by the chairman or
33 by a majority of the committee members upon twenty-four hour
34 notice given by announcement from the floor of the Convention
35 and by posting the notice thereof on a designated bulletin

1 board in the vicinity of the floor of the Convention at least
2 twenty-four hours before such meeting.

3 Rule No. 63. Subcommittees. A committee, by the affir-
4 mative vote of the majority of its members, may provide for
5 the appointment by the committee chairman of sub-committee
6 composed of members of the committee. Reports of sub-com-
7 mittees shall be considered by the entire committee before
8 any committee recommends any action thereon by the Convention.
9 All rules applicable to committees shall be applicable to
10 sub-committees.

11 Rule No. 64. Records. All written records and reports
12 of committees of the Convention shall be subject to provi-
13 sions of the Public Records Act.

14 Committee of the Whole

15 Rule No. 65. Procedure. The Convention by a majority
16 vote of the delegates present and voting may resolve itself
17 into a Committee of the Whole for a specified time and pur-
18 pose. The motion of the Committee of the Whole shall
19 specify the maximum time during which the Committee shall
20 sit.

21 A. The chairman shall designate a delegate to serve as
22 chairman of the Committee of the Whole. The rules of pro-
23 cedure of the Convention shall apply insofar as applicable,
24 except that delegates may speak more than once unless the
25 chairman imposes limits on debate, actions will be governed
26 by a majority of those present and voting, matters cannot
27 be referred to other committees, no question may be laid
28 on the table, the previous question cannot be ordered, and
29 motions to adjourn will not be entertained.

30 B. Proposals in the Committee of the Whole shall be
31 read through, debated and acted upon by sections. All
32 amendments shall be in writing and reported to the Convention
33 by the chairman.

34 C. A motion that the Committee of the Whole rise shall
35 always be in order unless a delegate is speaking or a vote

1 is being taken. The motion is not debatable and shall be
2 decided by a majority vote of those present and voting.

3 CHAPTER 6

4 Transaction of Business

5 Daily Business

6 Rule No. 66. Order. The daily business of the Conven-
7 tion shall proceed as follows:

8 Morning Hour

- 9 1. Roll call.
- 10 2. Prayer.
- 11 2A. Pledge of Allegiance.
- 12 3. Reading and adoption of Journal.
- 13 4. Petitions, Memorials, and Communications.
- 14 5. Introduction of resolutions.
- 15 6. Report of Committees.
- 16 7. Proposals on Introduction and First Reading.
- 17 8. Resolutions on Second Reading and Referral.
- 18 9. Proposals on Second Reading and Referral.
- 19 10. Reports of Committees Lying Over.
- 20 11. Reconsideration

21 Regular Order of the Day

- 22 12. Unfinished Business.
- 23 13. Special Order.
- 24 14. Resolutions on Third Reading and Final Passage.
- 25 15. Proposals on Third Reading and Final Passage.
- 26 16. Proposals on calendar for approval of final styling.

27 Rule No. 67. Change in Daily Order. The order of daily
28 business set forth in the above rule shall be adhered to
29 unless the consent of the convention shall be otherwise given
30 by majority vote of the delegates present.

31 Rule No. 68. Time of Committee Referral. Where appro-
32 priate, all petitions and memorials shall be referred to the
33 proper committees by the chairman as soon as read, where
34 reference may be necessary or is requested by a delegate.

35 Rule No. 69. Privileged Motions. When a question is

1 under debate, no motion shall be received except:

- 2 1. To fix the time to which to adjourn.
- 3 2. To adjourn.
- 4 3. To take a recess.
- 5 4. To call for the Orders of the day.
- 6 5. To lay on the table.
- 7 6. For a Call of the Convention.
- 8 7. To limit debate.
- 9 8. To move the previous question on the entire subject
- 10 matter.
- 11 9. To move the previous question.
- 12 10. To postpone to a day certain.
- 13 11. To commit, refer, or recommit.
- 14 12. To amend.
- 15 13. To postpone indefinitely.

16 The motions listed in this rule shall take precedence in
17 the order which they stand arranged. All of them shall be
18 decided by the affirmative vote of a majority of those pres-
19 ent and voting, a motion for the previous question and the
20 previous question on the entire subject matter shall require
21 a vote of a majority of the delegates present and voting,
22 and a motion to postpone indefinitely requires the affirmative
23 vote of a majority of all delegates to the Convention. Before
24 calling for the vote on the previous question or on the pre-
25 vious question on the entire subject matter, the Chairman
26 shall announce the names of those delegates who have
27 requested to speak and shall state the number of amendments
28 or motions which are still pending. When a recess is taken
29 while a question is pending, consideration of such question
30 shall be resumed when the Convention reassembles, unless
31 it determines otherwise. No motion to postpone to a day
32 certain, or to commit, having been decided by the Convention,
33 shall again be in order on the same day or at the same stage
34 of the question. Whenever a proposal is being considered
35 and a motion is then made, either to postpone indefinitely

1 or to consult, any pending amendments to the proposal shall
2 first be in order before any vote is taken on any such motion.

3 Rule No. 70. Motions Not Debatable. A motion to adjourn
4 is always in order except when a motion to fix the time to
5 which to adjourn, or a motion to amend the calendar and
6 agenda, is pending. A motion to adjourn, a motion to lay
7 on the table, a motion for recess pending the consideration
8 of other business and all matters relating to questions of
9 order shall be decided without debate.

10 Rule No. 71. Withdrawal. Any motion may be withdrawn
11 by the mover at any time before decision, amendment or
12 ordering of the yeas and nays, except a motion to reconsider,
13 which may not be withdrawn without consent of the Convention.

14 Rule No. 72. Format of Motions and Seconds. Motions
15 shall be presented in the following manner:

16 A. No motion listed in Rule No. 69 need be in writing.
17 Where a motion is in writing the delegate shall attach his
18 or her name thereto before it is received by the Chairman or
19 read by the Secretary, or before it is debated, if debate
20 is in order.

21 B. No motion need be seconded.

22 Rule No. 73. Motion for Reconsideration. Any member
23 may move for a reconsideration of any question at the same
24 session of the Convention or the next succeeding session.
25 The Committee on Style and Drafting may move for reconsider-
26 ation on any subsequent day if one session day's notice of
27 its intention to do so is given in writing to the Secretary
28 and is entered upon the Journal. A motion to reconsider
29 shall be taken up in its regular order and shall be decided
30 upon by a majority vote of those members present and voting.

31 A motion to reconsider shall not be renewed on the same
32 day.

33 Rule No. 74. Motion to Call from the Table. A motion
34 which has been laid on the table shall be called from the
35 table only by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the

1 delegates to the Convention.

2 Rule No. 75. Division of a Question. Any delegate
3 may call for a division of the question, which shall be
4 divided if it includes propositions which are so distinct
5 in substance that, when one is removed or deferred, a sub-
6 stantive proposition remains for the decision of the Con-
7 vention. A motion to strike out and insert shall not be
8 subject to division within the meaning of this rule. The
9 limits on debate as set forth in Rule No. 30 of these rules
10 shall apply to the debate on each division of a question.

11 Rule No. 76. Previous Question. A. Previous Question.
12 This undebatable motion is applicable only to the pending
13 amendment, or amendments, if more than one amendment is under
14 discussion; and it shall be admitted when ordered by a
15 favorable vote as provided in Rule 69, and when carried its
16 effect shall be to put an end to the debate and bring the
17 Convention to a vote on the pending amendments only, without
18 prejudice to further debate on, or subsequent amendments
19 to, the main question. If there has been any discussion
20 on the amendments, the proponent, or delegates designated
21 by him, shall have the right to close, even after the previous
22 question is ordered, which closing speech shall be limited
23 to fifteen minutes.

24 B. Previous question on the entire subject matter. It
25 shall only be admitted when ordered by a favorable vote
26 as provided in Rule 69, and when carried, its effect shall
27 be to put an end to all debate, and bring the Convention
28 or any committee to a direct vote--

29 (1) Upon the pending amendment and so on back to the
30 first amendment offered;

31 (2) Upon amendment reported by a committee, if any;
32 and,

33 (3) Upon the main question. But in all questions
34 involving length of time, amount of interest, questions of
35 quantity, and similar questions, such questions involving

1 the longest time, the largest interest or quantity shall
2 be put first regardless of the order in which motions,
3 amendments or substitutes, may have been made.

4 (4) The motion for the previous question and the
5 previous question on the subject matter shall, during the
6 consideration of any proposal, extend only to the individual
7 section under discussion in accordance with Rule No. 45.

8 On a motion for the previous question on the entire
9 subject matter, and prior to the ordering of the same, a call
10 of the Convention shall be in order; but after the Convention
11 shall have ordered such motion no call shall be in order
12 prior to a decision of the main question. On a motion for
13 the previous question on the entire subject matter, there
14 shall be no debate. All incidental questions of order,
15 arising after a motion is made for the previous question on
16 the entire subject matter, and pending such motion, shall be
17 decided whether on appeal or otherwise, without debate. After
18 a call for the previous question on the entire subject matter
19 has been sustained, the question shall be put and determined
20 in order as above, without debate on either amendments or the
21 main question, provided that the proponents of the amendments
22 and measure, or delegates designated by him, shall respec-
23 tively have the right to close the debate, after the previous
24 question on the entire subject matter is ordered, which
25 closing speeches shall be limited to a total of fifteen
26 minutes.

27 Rule No. 77. Adjournment and Recess. A motion to adjourn
28 or recess shall always be in order, except when, on a call
29 for the previous question and previous question on the entire
30 subject matter, the question shall have been ordered, or
31 when a delegate has the floor, and shall be decided without
32 debate.

33 Yeas and Nays

34 Rule No. 78. Yeas after Decision is Announced. When
35 the Yeas and Nays are taken on any question, no delegate

1 shall be permitted, under any circumstances whatever, to
2 vote after the decision has been announced by the chairman.
3 The names of absentees on all calls of the yeas and nays
4 shall be placed on a separate list.

5 Rule No. 79. Explanation of Vote. No delegate shall be
6 permitted to explain his or her vote except as hereafter pro-
7 vided. Any delegate may explain his or her vote in writing
8 or reasons for not voting in writing and request that such
9 explanation be made part of the record.

10 Rule No. 80. Tie Votes. When the Convention is equally
11 divided, the vote of the chairman shall be taken to break
12 the tie, provided that the chairman, in this event, shall
13 not have previously voted as a delegate on the question.

14 Rule No. 81. Recording the Vote. On the passage on
15 third reading of every proposal, section, or article the yeas
16 and nays shall be entered in the Journal, and no proposal,
17 section, or article shall be declared passed unless a majority
18 of all the delegates to the Convention shall have voted in
19 favor of the passage of same.

20 Special Orders

21 Rule No. 82. Consent. No proposal, resolution or other
22 subject shall be made a special order for a particular day
23 without the consent of two-thirds of the delegates present
24 and voting.

25 Rule No. 83. Precedence. When two or more subjects
26 shall have been specially assigned for consideration, they
27 shall take precedence according to the order of time for
28 which they were severally made or assigned, and said orders
29 shall at no time be lost or changed except by direction of
30 the Convention.

31 Rule No. 84. Change in Rules. Any standing rule of
32 the Convention may be rescinded, altered, or amended in the
33 following manner: notice shall be given in writing of the
34 motion therefor, which motion shall be referred immediately
35 by the chairman to the Committee on Rules, which shall file

1 its report to the Convention within twenty-four hours of receipt
2 of the motion. Two days after the filing of the proposed
3 change, the motion shall be considered by the Convention
4 with or without the report of the Committee on Rules, and
5 for passage shall require a favorable vote of a majority
6 of the delegates to the Convention.

7 Rule No. 85. Suspension of Rules. One or more rules
8 may be suspended for a specified purpose by the affirmative
9 vote of two-thirds of the delegates present and voting or
10 a majority of delegates to the Convention, whichever consti-
11 tutes the lesser number.

12 Rule No. 86. Consideration of Proposals without Com-
13 mittee Recommendation. After one day's notice the Conven-
14 tion, on motion passed by the affirmative vote of a majority
15 of the delegates present and voting, may require a committee
16 to return, with or without a recommendation, any proposal
17 referred to the committee.

18 Rule No. 87. Notice. Whenever notice is required to
19 be given by these rules, the following shall constitute
20 notice:

21 (a) If the Convention is in session, an announcement
22 made by the Secretary in open session shall constitute
23 notice for all purposes.

24 (b) If the Convention is not in session, the Secretary
25 shall give notice to the delegates by U. S. Mail, certified,
26 postage prepaid. The date of mailing said notice shall
27 constitute the date of the notice for all purposes under
28 these rules.

29 Rule No. 88. Authority. On any question of order and
30 parliamentary practice, when these rules are silent or in-
31 explicit, Brown's Manual of Legislative Procedure shall be
32 considered authority.

33 Rule No. 89. Name Abbreviation. In all correspondence,
34 news releases, memoranda and other similar writings, it shall
35 be permissible to refer to the Constitutional Convention

of 1973 by the abbreviation "C.C./'73."

CHAIRMAN OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

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