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ARTICLE 1- The Pack

SECTION 101 - PACK DEFINITION

- A. The Pack of the Military Order of the Devil Dogs shall correspond in character and function in this Order, as does the Department in the organization of the Marine Corps League.
- B. This Pack shall be known as the New Jersey Pack.
- C. The New Jersey Pack shall be the official representative of the Kennel within the limits of The State of New Jersey.

SECTION 102 - MEMBERSHIP

To be eligible for membership in the New Jersey Pack, a member of the Order must be in good standing in the Marine Corps League, and in this Order, with their membership dues in both organizations currently paid. Any member of a Pound in the New Jersey Pack is automatically a member of the Pack; and shall meet all other requirements of the Kennel ByLaws, ARTICLE I – MEMBERSHIP, Sections 101 thru 110. In accordance with SECTION 308, ARTICLE III of the Kennel Bylaws, a Kennel Stray residing within the boundaries of New Jersey may function as a Member of the New Jersey Pack, including eligibility to hold Appointive and Elective Offices with the approval of the New Jersey Pack Staff.

SECTION 103 - AUTHORITY OF THE NEW JERSEY PACK

- A. The New Jersey Pack, having formally instituted, presented with its Charter and having installed its officers, is a functioning Pack of the Order. It shall have full power and authority and be entitled to all the rights and privileges of a constituted unit of this Order.
- B. The New Jersey Pack shall have jurisdiction over all Pounds chartered within the State of New Jersey and the membership thereof.
- C. The New Jersey Pack shall have the right, power and authority to initiate and obligate qualified candidates for the Degree of Devil Dog (and by exception as allowed in ARTICLE 1 of the Kennel Bylaws, to the Degree of Pup) in this order.
- D. The New Jersey Pack shall have the sole right to determine the amount of Pack Membership Dues to be assessed each Member annually.
- E. Qualified Candidates for the Degree of Pup, and in special cases for Degree of Pedigreed Devil Dog, may also be obligated and initiated at the Growl of the Pack or the Grand Growl of the Pack, but only within the provisions and restrictions of SECTION 101, ARTICLE I of the Kennel Bylaws.

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F. Each Pound, under the authority of the New Jersey Pack, shall adopt Bylaws provided they in no way conflict with or violate the Constitution and Bylaws of the Kennel; and, provided a copy of such Bylaws is forwarded to the Worthy Pack Smart Dog for review and approval, in accordance with all other requirements of the Kennel ByLaws; ARTICLE II – POUNDS, Sections 201 thru 219; and, ARTICLE III – PACKS, Sections 301 thru 318.

SECTION 104 - GROWL OF THE PACK

- A. All Assemblies of the Pack shall be known as a Growl of the Pack and any Assembly of the Pack Staff shall be known as the Growl of the Pack Staff.
- B. The Assembly place of the Pack shall be known as the Den.
- C. All Growls of the Pack shall be considered a formal assemblage to consider motions and expend funds only if the Holy Bible, the Bone and Charter are present. The American Flag is also required by ARTICLE XII of the Kennel Bylaws. Absence of any of these three (3) Sacred Articles or the American Flag shall render the assemblage an informal gathering.

SECTION 105 -REGISTRATION

Prior to registration at the Dog House any attendee of a Growl or Grand Growl of the Pack must be registered with the Conference or Convention Organization.

SECTION 106- THE GRAND GROWL OF THE PACK

- A. The New Jersey Pack shall hold one annual Growl, to be known as the Grand Growl of the Pack, at which time the Pack shall transact all pertinent business, nominate, elect, and install officers for the ensuing year, obligate and initiate approved candidates to the appropriate Degree, and shall participate in such other proper activities as may be desirable. The Grand Growl of the Pack will normally be held in concert with and at the time and place of the Annual Convention of the Department of New Jersey of the Marine Corps League.
- B. Should the Pack encounter extreme difficulties scheduling the Growl of the Pack in concert with the Department Convention, The Worthy Pack Leader will so inform the Honorable Chief Devil Dog in writing, of the circumstances, and will provide an alternate time and place for the Grand Growl of the Pack for the Honorable Chief Devil Dog's approval.

SECTION 107 - SPECIAL & OTHER GROWLS OF THE PACK AND PACK STAFF

- A. Growls of the Pack or of the Pack Staff will be held in concert with the Department of New Jersey Staff Meetings. A special Growl of the Pack may be called by the written request of five (5) members of the Pack, addressed to the Worthy Pack Leader. A special Growl of the Pack Staff may be called by upon the

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written request of three (3) members of the Pack Staff addressed to the Worthy Pack Leader, and giving the reason for call of the special Growl.

B. The Worthy Pack Leader shall thereupon issue a call for such Growl, setting the time and place thereof. Notice of the time and place and purpose of the Growl shall be mailed or email not less than ten (10) days prior to the date fixed. For a Growl of the Pack, notices by mail or email shall be forwarded to the Pound Keepers and Pound Dog Robbers of the several Pounds comprising the Pack and to the Pack Officers. For a Growl of the Pack Staff, notices by mail or email shall be given to members of the Pack Staff.

C. At the discretion of the Pack, it may hold initiation of qualified candidates and Rite of Obligation for the appropriate Degree at a special Growl of the Pack, in addition to the Grand Growl of the Pack.

SECTION 108 - QUORUM

A. A quorum for any scheduled Growl of the Pack or the Pack Staff shall be those Members present who are in good standing.

B. The Quorum for a Special Growl of the Pack shall be a minimum of 3 members from at least one-half (1/2) of the Pounds within the Pack and at least one-half (1/2) of the Pack Staff and for a Special Growl of the Pack Staff shall be one-half (1/2) the Pack Staff.

C. The minimum quorum requirement for a scheduled New Jersey Pack Growl shall be one (1) member in good standing from at least three (3) of the Pounds within the Pack; and, at least one-half (1/2) of the Pack Staff that are in good standing to comprise a quorum of the New Jersey Pack.

SECTION 109 - CHARTER SURRENDER. SUSPENSION. OR REVOCATION

The Charter of the Pack may be Surrendered, Suspended or Revoked, but only within the guidelines and restrictions of ARTICLE III of the Kennel Bylaws. Because of the seriousness of these actions, any consideration of such must be very deliberate, and must carefully remain within the stated guidelines and restrictions.

SECTION 110 - ELIGIBILITY TO HOLD OFFICE

A. All members of the several Pounds and Strays, comprising the membership of the New Jersey Pack and holding the Degree of Devil Dog, or Pedigreed Devil Dog shall be eligible for election to any office of the Pack, subject however, to the following limitations and restrictions:

1. The Worthy Pack Leader must have the Degree of Pedigreed Devil Dog. An exception to this requirement may be made only within the provisions of ARTICLE III of the Kennel Bylaws.

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2. The Worthy Senior Vice Pack Leader should also be a Pedigreed Devil Dog to allow an orderly succession to Worthy Pack Leader, in the unlikely event that is required.

3. To be eligible for an appointive office, a Devil Dog must have at least six (6) months service in that Degree and to be eligible for elective office, a Devil Dog must have at least one (1) full year of service in that Degree.

4. An officers must be currently paid up in membership dues in the Marine Corps League and in the Order.

B. Any officer permitting their membership dues and good standing in the Marine Corps League, or in the Order, to lapse, shall forthwith surrender their office, and the office will be declared vacant.

C. Any nominee for any Elective Office must be present at the time they are placed in nomination and shall accept the office, except for valid reasons. If the nominee cannot be present for valid reasons, all care must be taken to insure that they will accept the duties and responsibilities of the office, if elected.

SECTION 111- ELECTED & APPOINTED PACK OFFICERS · PACK STAFF

A. Elected Officers - The Elected Officers of the Pack shall be the Worthy Pack Leader, Worthy Senior Vice Pack Leader, Worthy Junior Vice Pack Leader, Worthy Smart Dog, Worthy Dog Trainer, Worthy Police Dog and Worthy Mad Dog.

B. Appointed Officers - The Appointed Officers of the Pack shall be the Worthy Dog Robber, Worthy Watch Dog, Worthy Quartermaster Dog and Worthy Barking Dog. The Worthy Pack Leader-Elect makes the appointments immediately following the election so as to permit the installation of the fun staff of officers. The Appointive Officers shall serve only at the convenience and pleasure of the Worthy Pack Leader, and the Term of Office shall terminate simultaneously with that of the Worthy Pack Leader.

C. Pack Board of Trustees - The Worthy Pack Board of Trustees shall consist of the Elected Pack Officers and the Worthy Junior Past Pack Leader. The Worthy Pack Dog Robber will be an ex-Officio member of the Pack Board of Trustees, without a vote. The Worthy Pack Board of Trustees, under the supervision of the Worthy Pack Leader, shall administer the business, execute the policies, and enforce the laws and regulations of the Military Order of Devil Dogs, Inc. and the New Jersey Pack, between Grand Growls of The Pack.

D. Pack Staff - The Worthy Pack Staff shall consist of all Elected Officers, together with The Worthy Dog Robber, the Worthy Watch Dog and the Worthy Barking Dog. All Worthy Past Pack Leaders shall be ex-Officio members. In the absence of a Pack Board of Trustees, the Worthy Pack Staff, under the supervision of the Worthy Pack Leader, shall administer the business, execute the policies, and enforce the laws and regulations of the Military Order of Devil Dogs and the New Jersey Pack between Grand Growls of the Pack.

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SECTION 112 - ELECTION OF OFFICERS

A. At the Grand Growl of the Pack, the annual nomination, election, appointment and installation of officers for the ensuring year shall take place.

B. All nominations for elective office shall be from the floor.

C. When the Chair has determined that the nomination process has ended for the office to be voted on, the candidates for the specific office will be escorted from the floor and remain absent until the election for the specific office is concluded.

D. The ballot may be cast for the full slate of officers or may be cast for each office in sequence.

E. Should the Pack fail to nominate for any elected office, after the election of officers, the Worthy Pack Leader-Elect shall appoint an eligible Member to the office for which no nomination had been made

F. The Worthy Police Dog will permit no person to enter or leave the Den while the Worthy Pack Officers are being nominated and elected.

G. In the event there is only one (1) candidate for a particular office at the close of nominations for that office the Worthy Dog Robber will be directed to cast one (1) vote for the candidate.

H. Term Limits- Pack Elected Officers will be elected for a term of one (1) year and may be reelected for an additional year. Each elected Officer that has served a two-year term may be again nominated and elected for that position after a lapse of at least one (1) year. It is acknowledged that he or she may be nominated and elected for any other elected office within that timeframe.

SECTION 113 - DUTIES. TENURE AND AUTHORITY OF PACK OFFICERS

A. The Worthy Pack Leader- shall preside at all Growls of the Pack, Growls of the Pack Staff and all Pack Initiations. It shall be the Worthy Pack Leader's duty to require the observance of and obedience to all laws, rules and regulations not in conflict with the Constitution and Bylaws of the Order and of the Marine Corps League. The Worthy Pack Leader may appoint other officers and committees as deemed necessary, if not otherwise provided for in these Bylaws. The Worthy Pack Leader shall issue the call for all Growls of the Pack Staff as deemed necessary. The Worthy Pack Leader shall be the custodian of, with the Worthy Dog Robber, all monies, property, securities and records of the Pack, and shall countersign all, orders for the disbursement of monies when approved by proper authority, perform such other duties and issue such other orders as are necessary and proper for the harmonious and efficient functioning of the New Jersey Pack, the constituent units thereof, and of the membership of the Order. The Worthy Pack Leader shall designate the Installing Officer of the Poundkeepers and their staff of the Pounds within the jurisdiction of the New Jersey Pack in keeping with KENNEL BYLAWS, ARTICLE IX - INSTALLING OFFICERS, Section 901.

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B. The Worthy Senior Vice Pack Leader - shall assist the Worthy Pack Leader, shall preside at the Growls of the Pack, Growls of the Pack Staff and at all Pack Initiations in the absence of the Worthy Pack Leader or at the Worthy Pack Leader's request, and shall be responsible to the Worthy Pack Leader and the Pack for the growth and expansion of the Pack and Pounds, and shall perform such other duties for the good of the New Jersey Pack and the Military Order of the Devil Dogs, as the Worthy Pack Leader may direct.

C. The Worthy Junior Vice Pack Leader - shall assist the Worthy Pack Leader and the Worthy Senior Vice Pack Leader, shall be responsible for all activities seeking to increase the revenue of the Pack, and the supervision of all entertainment and amusement provided at all Growls of the Pack, and Growls of the Pack Staff, and shall perform such other duties as the Worthy Pack Leader may direct.

D. The Worthy Smart Dog - shall interpret and explain the Pack Bylaws and all rules and regulations established by the Pack, the Pack Staff or the Worthy Pack Leader, when requested by competent authority. Such interpretation and explanation shall not be binding, shall not have the effect of law and shall be considered only as advisory opinion, unless, and until approved by the Pack in session, or by the Pack Board of Trustees in between Growls of the Pack.

E. The Worthy Dog Trainer - shall administer to the spiritual needs of the New Jersey, and shall prepare and conduct suitable Memorial Services at each Grand Growl of the Pack, shall supervise the welfare and relief programs of the New Jersey Pack, shall inform and assist all Pound Dog Trainers in the proper performance of their duties, and shall perform such other duties as the Worthy Pack Leader may direct.

F. The Worthy Police Dog - shall maintain order and decorum in all Growls of the Pack and Growls of the Pack Staff, shall expel from any Growl any Dog exceeding the bounds of decency, creating a disturbance, or hindering the orderly conduct of the Growl, and shall perform such other duties as the Worthy Pack Leader may direct. The Worthy Police Dog shall be responsible for safeguarding the Pack's Charter, National and Pack Colors, Bible and Bone.

G. The Worthy Mad Dog -The public and private initiation of candidates to the Degree of Devil Dog (and Pup when that Degree is under supervision of the Grand Growl) shall be under the direction and supervision of the Worthy Mad Dog. Additional aides may be requested and designated by the Worthy Pack Mad Dog with the approval of the Worthy Pack Leader. Such initiation shall be executed in a manner that is entertaining and impressive with regard to the well-being and safety of the candidate. The initiation shall not be repulsive or against the dignity and modesty of the Candidate. Other duties shall be performed in line with the office as the Worthy Pack Leader may direct.

H. The Worthy Dog Robber- shall be responsible to the Worthy Pack Leader and the Pack for all financial records and accounts of the Pack, and shall be the joint

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custodian with the Worthy Pack Leader, of all monies, property, securities and financial records of the Pack; and, shall keep a brief but proper record of all pertinent scratches of all Growls of the Pack and Growls of the Pack Staff. They shall keep on deposit in a reputable bank, all monies and securities of the Pack, and shall make all disbursements for all accounts owing when approved by proper authority, by check, which shall be signed by the designated Officer. They shall keep an accurate and current file on all members of the Order. They shall make a full and correct accounting and reports, including financial statements, to each Grand Growl of the Pack and at such other times as may be directed by the Worthy Pack Leader or the Pack Board of Trustees. The Worthy Dog Robber shall not disburse any funds after the close of the Grand Growl of the Pack except those approved at the Grand Growl. They shall serve as the Treasurer of the Pack. The Worthy Dog Robber shall be a semi-permanent position, subject to the annual approval of the Worthy Pack Leader and the Worthy Pack Board of Trustees. If for any reason, the Worthy Dog Robber will not continue in the office, all records and accounts will be transferred to the Worthy Successor within thirty (30) days. The new Worthy Dog Robber shall be appointed from the ranks of qualified Pedigreed Devil Dogs or Devil Dogs who are extremely knowledgeable in the administrative affairs and duties of the Order.

I. The Worthy Watch Dog-shall guard the portals of the DEN at all times, permitting on one to enter or leave without proper authority, and shall be responsible to the Worthy Pack Leader and the Pack for the worthiness and eligibility of every person present at any Growls of the Pack and Growls of the Pack Staff and shall perform such duties as the Worthy Pack Leader may direct.

J. The Worthy Barking Dog- shall supervise and direct all publicity and public relations of the New Jersey Pack, under the direction of the Worthy Pack Leader, shall perform the functions commonly executed by Public Relations and Publicity Directors, shall inform and assist all Pound Barking Dogs in such manner as to insure a uniform and effective public relations program. They shall serve as the Secretary of the Pack and shall perform such other duties as the Worthy Pack Leader may direct.

K. The Worthy Quartermaster Dog shall have responsibility for all Devil Dog gear for resale and be the custodian of considerable amounts of bones from which replacement Devil Dog gear purchases are made, with sizable numbers of bones recouped with the sale of merchandise.

SECTION 114 - PAST PACK OFFICERS

A Past Pack Officer is one who, having been elected or appointed and installed, has served to the end of their normal term or whose term of office is terminated by death.

SECTION 115 - VACANCY IN OFFICE

A. In case of any elective or appointive office (except that of Worthy Pack Leader) shall be declared vacant during the fiscal year, the Worthy Pack Leader, with the approval of the Worthy Pack Board of Trustees, shall appoint promptly a successor for the uncompleted term of office.

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B. In case the vacant office is that of Worthy Pack Leader, the Worthy Senior Vice Pack Leader shall assume all of the titles, rights and privileges of the Office of the Worthy Pack Leader for the uncompleted term thereof. The Worthy Pack Board of Trustees shall then immediately fill the Office of Worthy Senior Vice Pack Leader by appointment.

C. Pack Offices shall be declared vacant for any of the following reasons:

(1) The Pack Officers permit themselves to become in arrears in their membership dues in the Order and or the Marine Corps League, Inc., and/or loses their status as a member in good standing in this Order, and/or in the Marine Corps League, Inc.

(2) The Pack Officers absent themselves from two consecutive Growls of the Pack and or the Pack Staff without valid reason.

(3) For any other just cause or reason.

SECTION 116 - VOTING

A. Each and every member of the Pack present at the Growl of the Pack who is in good standing in the League and this Order shall have one (1) vote.

B. Election of candidates for membership or for office shall be by simple majority. Voting at elections shall be by a show of hands and will be under the supervision of the member designated to run the election. Voting at elections will be under the supervision of the member designated to run the election.

C. All other voting on Pack business will be by voice vote.

D. Ten or more members present and eligible to vote may call for a secret ballot on any matter.

ARTICLE II - FISCAL AND FINANCE

SECTION 201 - Fiscal Year and Membership Year

The Fiscal Year of the Military Order of the Devil Dogs is for the same time and identical to the Fiscal year of the Marine Corps League. However, the Order utilizes a Membership year that begins the month after the Supreme Growl of the Kennel. Currently, this starts at 1 September and ends on the following 31 August. Membership dues are payable in accordance with the Kennel Bylaws.

SECTION 202 - BONDING

Bond shall be required of all members of the Order who are designated to handle monetary funds of the Pack. This will include the Worthy Pack Leader and Worthy Dog Robber as well as any additional members that the Pack shall so designate in these Bylaws.

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SECTION 203 - REVENUE

A. The revenue of this Pack shall derive from the collection of membership dues, and from such other sources as may be approved by the Grand Growl of the Pack, and The Pack Staff.

B. Limitation: The New Jersey Pack therein shall be limited to the spending of not over seventy-five per cent (75) of all monies received during its administration and including monies received from the previous administration and that at least twenty-five percent (25) of such gross receipts shall be turned over to the new administration each year.

C. Administrative Expenses: The Worthy Pack Leader and the Worthy Pack Dog Robber shall be reimbursed for normal administrative expenses incurred in the performance of their duties. The expenses to be covered will be for telephone, postage, copying and other supplies. Payment will be made upon submission of an expense voucher, and if it is not included in the Pack Budget, it shall be subject to the approval of the Pack Board of Trustees.

D. Reimbursement for Travel: The Worthy Pack Leader may be reimbursed for miles traveled on official business of the Pack, within the State of New Jersey, if such funds have been allocated and placed in the annual Pack budget. The rate of reimbursement shall be \$0.25 per mile plus tolls. No Pack Officer will be reimbursed for attending any National or Department Convention. No Officer will be reimbursed for attending any Pack or Pound Growl except for the installation of Pound Officers. This is in compliance with Kennel Bylaws Section 502 (b)

SECTION 204 - MEMBERSHIP DUES

The Pack shall fix the amount to be charged for any Annual Membership Dues at the annual Grand Growl of the Pack. The Annual Membership Dues shall include the Annual Membership Dues of the Kennel. Any increase in Membership Dues in the Pack shall not be effective until one calendar year has elapsed following the adoption of the motion or resolution increasing said dues.

SECTION 205 - FORWARDING MEMBERSHIP DUES

Once Membership Dues and other required forms from the Pounds have been received, the Worthy Dog Robber shall promptly forward the Kennel Dues to the Honorable Kennel Dog Robber. Paid Life Membership Dues shall be submitted on Membership Dues Transmittal Forms separate from regular renewing members in the Order. Date of entry into the Marine Corps League Membership shall be stated there on, as well as the Marine Corps League Paid Life Membership Number, issued by National Headquarters of the League. A check(s) for the full amount of the Paid Life Membership Dues for each Paid Life Member in the Order will accompany each Paid Life Member so transmitted. Only Pedigree Devil Dogs shall be eligible for life membership. The candidate(s) real birth date must be included on the advancement form.

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SECTION 206 - PACK BUDGET

The Worthy Pack Leader shall appoint a Budget Committee to work in conjunction with the Worthy Pack Board of Trustees to provide a reasonable working budget for the Pack, based on the expected revenue of the Pack. This proposed Pack Budget would be presented to the Membership at the Grand Growl of the Pack for consideration and approval. In between Grand Growls of the Pack, the Worthy Pack Board of Trustees may make adjustments in the Pack Budget to compensate for changes in the obligated requirements of the Pack. Such adjustments are not expected to exceed the total expenditures in the approved Pack Budget, unless there are binding obligations that must be covered. All adjustments to the Pack Budget will be reported in writing to each Pound Keeper and Pound Dog Robber as expeditiously as is reasonable.

SECTION 207 - ADDITIONAL AUTHORITY TO OBLIGATE FUNDS

Specific Pack Officers may be granted limited authority to obligate Pack Funds for a specific purpose without a requirement for an approval for each action. (An example of such an authorization would be for the Worthy Dog Trainer to be able to respond to Members or the immediate family of a Member who is sick or deceased.) This authority, when granted, will automatically expire at the following Grand Growl of the Pack, and must be renewed to remain in force.

SECTION 208 - PACK AUDITORS

A. The Pack Auditors shall be composed of 3 Members of the Pack, appointed by the Worthy Pack Leader, who hold the Degree of Pedigreed Devil Dog, with Worthy Past Pack Leaders being preferred. The senior member shall be the chair.

B. It shall be the duty of the Auditors to audit the books and records of the Worthy Dog Robber, and any other account that collects or disburses funds for the Pack at the Grand Growl of the Pack. They will make an inventory of all Pack property, as well as Ship Stores merchandise and will render a report to the Grand Growl of the Pack.

SECTION 209 - LIMITATIONS

Except as may be provided in these Bylaws, no Officer or individual Member of the Pack shall have the authority to financially obligate the Pack in any way without the specific authority of the Pack Board of Trustees or the Growl of the Pack.

SECTION 210 - ADDITIONAL FISCAL MATTERS

In all other Fiscal matters, the Pack shall be guided by the Kennel Bylaws; and, in accordance with KENNEL BYLAWS, ARTICLE V - FISCAL AND FINANCE, Sections 501 thru 507.

Section 211 - INCORPORATION OF THE PACK

Incorporation is required in all Packs and Pounds in accordance with the Kennel ByLaws. As a subsidiary of the Marine Corps League, the Order and its subordinates are covered under a blanket IRS determination under Section 501 (c) 4. The current, in-force incorporation of the Pack in April 2012 by the State of New Jersey shall be

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maintained on an annual basis in the anniversary month of April by either the Registered Agent of the New Jersey Pack or by the Worthy Pack Dog Robber. Additionally, all Pounds within the New Jersey Pack shall be individually incorporated in the State of New Jersey on or before 31 December 2017.

ARTICLE III – PACK AWARDS

Section 301. PACK DOG of the YEAR AWARD

A. Guidelines – Pack Dog of the Year Awards - Qualifications and/or Eligibility -

A candidate on the Pound or New Jersey Pack level shall be a member of the Order and must be in good standing in the Pound, New Jersey Pack, as a New Jersey Pack Stray and with the Kennel. Pounds within the New Jersey Pack may set their own criteria for the selection process within the New Jersey Pack; however, that criteria shall not be different than that of the New Jersey Pack. A proposed Dog of the Year candidate at the Pound or New Jersey Pack level shall be a Dog of integrity, principles and who has contributed to the Order.

B. Pounds - Each Pound may select a Pound Dog of the Year according to Subparagraph (A). The Pound Dog of the Year may be a Pedigreed Devil Dog, a Devil Dog or a Pup. The Pound Dog of the Year selectee may be submitted to the New Jersey Pack for consideration as Pack Dog of the Year; however, only a Pedigreed Devil Dog or Devil Dog may be submitted to the New Jersey Pack as a worthy candidate. Only one (1) nomination per Pound per year is permitted.

C. Letters of Nomination – Each Pound's nomination shall be typewritten, signed by the Pound Keeper and the Pound Dog Robber; and, placed in an envelope marked, "**Candidate - PACK DOG OF THE YEAR Award**" (current year). That envelope shall then be placed into a second envelope, which shall be marked, "**Chairman, PACK DOG OF THE YEAR Committee**" (current year) c/o the Worthy Pack Leader. All such letters received by the Worthy Pack Leader shall be brought to the Grand Growl of the New Jersey Pack, unopened, and delivered to the Pack Dog of the Year Award Committee Chairman.

D. Delivery of Nomination Letters to the Pack - Each nomination letter addressed c/o the Worthy Pack Leader at their current mailing address shall be sent **Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested** in sufficient time to reach the Worthy Pack Leader two (2) weeks prior to the Grand Growl of the New Jersey Pack.

E. Exceptions - In the event that a Pound fails to submit a nomination (but the Pound has a qualified nominee); any three (3) Pedigreed Devil Dogs (themselves in good standing according to subparagraph [A]) may submit a nomination within the dictates of subparagraphs (C) and (D). Nominations submitted in this manner shall be accepted by the Worthy Pack Leader up until Noon of the day of the Grand Growl of the New Jersey Pack.

F. Pack Dog of the Year Award Selection - The Selection Committee shall be comprised of all Past Pack Dogs of the Year in attendance at the annual Grand Growl

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of the New Jersey Pack. The Senior Past Pack Dog of the Year (from two [2] years previous) shall serve as Chairman of the Committee and, the incumbent Pack Dog of the Year (from the previous year) shall serve as Vice Chairman or as Chairman in the Senior Past Pack Dog of the Year's absence. The method of judging nominations received shall be left to the discretion of the Committee.

G. Procurement of Awards -The presentation to the Pack Dog of the Year of the New Jersey Pack selectee shall consist of the awards currently available through the Honorable Kennel Quartermaster. The Pack shall purchase their awards from that officer in accordance with Kennel ByLaws Article IV, Section 417(B) (8).

H. Time and Place of Awards - The Pack Dog of the Year Award shall be presented by the current recipient (or by a Past Pack Dog of the Year of that Pedigreed Devil Dog's choosing) at the Grand Banquet of the Department of New Jersey, Marine Corps League Annual Convention.

Section 302 - Governor William Livingston Man of the Year Award;

This annual award, presented annually by The Pack of New Jersey, Military Order of Devil Dogs, **FUN AND HONOR SOCIETY OF THE MARINE CORPS LEAGUE**, shall honor a singular achievement or a multitude of accomplishments by a male resident of the State of New Jersey during the preceding year. While not restricted to the preceding twelve month period, nominations should stress accomplishments during that time. The man recognized by the presentation of this award shall have been selected by the awards committee as having contributed most to the morale, well-being, and welfare of the citizens of New Jersey. The nominees may not be either a member of the **MARINE CORPS LEAGUE** nor of the **MARINE CORPS LEAGUE AUXILIARY**. They may, however, be members of any other veterans', civic, religious or fraternal organization. The award is established to honor the achievements of women throughout the history of the State of New Jersey. Nominations for this honor may only originate from the chartered Detachments of the Department of New Jersey, **MARINE CORPS LEAGUE**; the chartered units of the **MARINE CORPS LEAGUE AUXILIARY** in New Jersey; or the six (6) Pounds of this Pack. Each Detachment, unit or Pound of **THE PACK OF NEW JERSEY, MILITARY ORDER OF DEVIL DOGS**, may submit only one (1) nomination and all nominations shall be in writing.

Section 303 - Marie H. Katzenbach Humanitarian of the Year Award;

This annual award, presented annually by The Pack of New Jersey, Military Order of Devil Dogs, **FUN AND HONOR SOCIETY OF THE MARINE CORPS LEAGUE**, shall honor a singular achievement or a multitude of accomplishments by a female resident of the State of New Jersey during the preceding year. While not restricted to the preceding twelve month period, nominations should stress accomplishments during that time. The woman recognized by the presentation of this award shall have been selected by the awards committee as having contributed most to the morale, well-being, and welfare of the citizens of New Jersey. The nominees cannot be either a member of the **MARINE CORPS LEAGUE** nor of the **MARINE CORPS LEAGUE AUXILIARY**. They may, however, be members of any other veterans', civic, religious

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Section 304 - An Unsung Hero Award

1. Nominee shall be a member of the Pack in good standing. (in the rare instance of an "at-large" member who is a nominee, that dog's membership shall be in good standing.)
- 2). Nominee shall have been a Pedigreed Devil Dog for at least nine (9) months. (in some instances, nominees may have spent many years in the Degree of Devil Dog because of circumstances beyond his/her control and have been advanced to the degree of Pedigreed Devil Dog at the Supreme Growl held in August of the previous year).
- 3). Nominee shall be nominated by at least two (2) Pedigreed Devil Dogs.
- 4). Nomination statement shall document in as much detail as possible the community work of the nominee, with attachments. (newspaper and magazine articles, letters of commendation from community leaders, evidence of honorable service in the US Marine Corps, etc.).
- 5). Nominee **shall not have been** the recipient of either the Pack Dog of the Year Award or the Kennel Dog of the Year Award prior to the nomination for this award.
- 6). Presentation shall be made to the nominee in a public setting, either at a Growl of the Pack; or, preferably, at the convention banquet of the Department of New Jersey, Marine Corps League, which follows the Grand Growl of the Pack during the convention/grand growl weekend.
- 7). Completed nominations shall be conveyed to the Worthy Pack Leader for his/her consideration. The Worthy Pack Leader shall consult with living recipients of this award; or, in the event there are none, with two (2) Past Worthy Pack Leaders who are familiar with the nominee's background and worthiness for the award.
- 8). Nominations and awards shall be made only when, in the judgement of the nominating Pedigreed Devil Dogs, the nominee is so outstanding that no other award is fitting.

Section 305 - Recognition of Kennel ByLaws (Awards)

Enclosure 1 of (Section 417(B)(3) of the Kennel Bylaws) (See Note 1) allows the Pack Dog of the Year to be denoted by a Medal designated with a medal bronze cross on a

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red ribbon with a small devil dog affixed and a ribbon comprised of a red ribbon with small devil dog affixed.

Section 306 – Pack Leader’s Meritorious Commendation (Individual)

This decoration may be awarded by the Pack Leader for exceptionally meritorious service to the Pack; with a green ribbon, with narrow red stripe in the center, flanked by two gold stripes. Note 1: For each additional medal or ribbon award, a 5/16” gold star will be worn for each additional award, and a 5/16” silver star will be worn in place of five (5) gold stars.

Section 307 – Pack Awards Committee Selection and Charge

The Worthy Pack Leader, upon election or re-election to their position, shall be required to appoint a Chairperson and at least two (2) members of a Pack Awards Committee to oversee the annual Pack Awards selections process for the ensuing year (e.g., in 2016, those committee members shall be the selecting authority for the 2017 Pack awards). That committee’s responsibilities shall encompass all pack awards, except for the Pack Dog of the Year Award Committee.

ARTICLE IV - AMENDING THE BYLAWS

Section 401. - EMERGENCY SUSPENSION OF THE BYLAWS

Under the provisions and guidance of Kennel ByLaws Article XIII, Section 1302; the currently in force Article IV – Amending the Bylaws - of the ByLaws of the New Jersey Pack be suspended by a regular motion, second and approval of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the duly registered and qualified to be present Pups, Devil Dogs and Pedigree Devil Dogs of the New Jersey Pack convened for the transaction of all business coming before at any Grand Growl of the New Jersey Pack – in Growl assembled – for the purposes of considering – in the regular manner – an amendment to the ByLaws of the New Jersey Pack.

Section 402. - BYLAWS, METHOD OF AMENDING

The New Jersey Pack Bylaws may be amended only at the Grand Growl of the Pack. Individual Devil Dogs who are Members of the New Jersey Pack may submit proposals to revise or amend the New Jersey Pack Bylaws. To do so, they shall submit their proposals in typewritten or legible form to the Worthy Smart Dog no later than 1 February prior to the opening date of the Grand Growl of the Pack at which their proposals are to be considered. All proposals must contain the identity of the maker or submitter, and must reference the Articles, Sections and Paragraphs to be revised, repealed or amended. Otherwise they will not be considered. The Worthy Smart Dog will propagate the proposals without comment by distributing copies of all proposals by mail or e-mail to each Pound Keeper, each Pound Dog Robber and each Member of the New Jersey Pack Staff no later than 1 April (date of postmark) prior to the opening date of the Grand Growl of the Pack at which such proposed revision, repeal or amendment is to be considered.

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CERTIFICATION

I, PDD Harry Prince; Worthy Pack Leader, New Jersey Pack, do hereby certify that these Bylaws were approved by voice vote at the Grawl of the Pack conducted on 9 June 2017 at Galloway, New Jersey.



PDD Harry Prince

9 June 2017
Date

APPROVAL

I, PDD Jeffrey D. Jones, the Honorable Kennel Smart Dog, do hereby certify that these Bylaws of the New Jersey Pack are in compliance with the Military Order of the Devil Dog (Kennel) Bylaws.



PDD Jeffrey D. Jones

1 Aug 2017
Date

