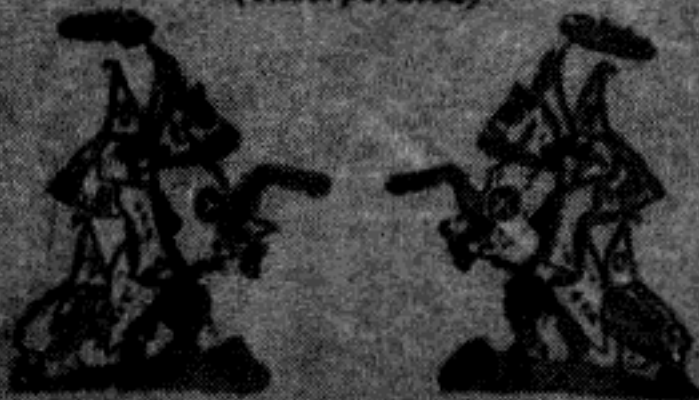


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L'ENVOI.

**“To the lovers of Law and Order, Peace
and Justice, we send greeting; and
to the shades of the valiant, ven-
erated Dead, we gratefully and
affectionately dedicate the
KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN.”**

DECLARATION.

WE SOLEMNLY DECLARE TO ALL MANKIND that the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, incorporated, is the original Ku Klux Klan organized in the year 1866, and active during the Reconstruction period of American history; and by and under its corporate name is revived, remodeled and expanded into a Ritualistic, Fraternal, Patriotic society of national scope, duly incorporated (under the laws of the State of Georgia) in the years 1915 and 1916, and dedicated to the same principles and spiritual purposes as more particularly set forth in Article II, of the Constitution and Laws of the Society

WE DO FURTHER DECLARE TO THE WORLD that our original Prescript used as the governing law of the Ku Klux Klan, during the period of its former activities, and all official titles, mannerisms, usages and things therein prescribed have not been abandoned by us; but on the contrary, all of these, together with designs of paraphernalia, regalia, flags, banners, emblems, symbols, or other insignia and things prescribed or previously used by or under the authority of the Ku Klux Klan are the property of the Ku Klux Klan

under and by virtue of its corporate name of Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, and are held sacred by us as a precious heritage, which we shall jealously preserve, forever maintain and valiantly protect from profanation.

THE IMPERIAL PROCLAMATION.

To the lovers of Law, Order, Peace and Justice of all nations, People, Tribes and Tongues of the whole earth, Greetings:

I, and the citizens of the Invisible Empire through me, make declaration to you:

We, the members of this Order, desiring to promote patriotism toward our Civil Government; honorable peace among men and nations; protection for and happiness in the homes of our people; manhood, brotherhood, and love among ourselves, and liberty, justice and fraternity among all mankind; believing we can best accomplish these noble purposes through a mystic, social, patriotic, benevolent association, having a perfected lodge system, with an exalted ritualistic form of work and an effective form of government, not for selfish profit, but for the mutual betterment, benefit and protection of our oath-bound associates, and their loved ones; do physically, socially, morally and vocationally

Proclaim to the World

That we are dedicated to the sublime duty of providing generous aid, tender sympathy and fraternal assistance amid fortune and misfortune in the effulgent light of life and amid the sable shadows of death; and to the exalted privilege of demonstrating the practical utility of the great (yet most neglected), doctrine of the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of man as a vital force in the lives and affairs of men.

We invite all men who can qualify to become citizens of the Invisible Empire to approach the portal of our beneficent domain, join us in our noble work of extending its boundaries, and in disseminating the gospel of "Klankraft," thereby encouraging, conserving, protecting and making vital the fraternal relationship in the practice of an honorable clannishness; to share with us the glory of performing the sacred duty of protecting womanhood; to maintain forever the God-given supremacy of the white race; to commemorate the holy and chivalric achievements of our fathers; to safeguard the sacred rights, privileges and institutions of our Civil Government; to bless mankind and to keep eter-

nally ablaze the sacred fire of a fervent devotion to a pure Americanism.

The Invisible Empire is founded on sterling character, and immutable principles based upon sacred sentiment and cemented by noble purposes. It is promoted by a sincere, unselfish devotion of the souls of men, and is governed by their consecrated intelligence. It is the soul of chivalry, virtue's impenetrable shield; and the devout impulse of an unconquered race.

DONE IN THE AULIC OF HIS MAJESTY, the Emperor of the Invisible Empire, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, in the Imperial Palace, in the Imperial City of Atlanta, Commonwealth of Georgia, United States of America.



This the 29th day of November, Anno Domini, Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-two Anno Klan LVI.

William Joseph Simmons
IMPERIAL WIZARD

KU KLUX KREED.

(Original Creed Revised)

We, the Order of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, reverentially acknowledge the majesty and supremacy of Almighty God and recognize His goodness and providence through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Recognizing our relation to the government of the United States of America, the Supremacy of its Constitution, the Union of States thereunder, and the Constitutional Laws thereof, we shall ever be devoted to the sublime principles of a pure Americanism, and valiant in the defense of its ideals and institutions.

We avow the distinction between the races of mankind as decreed by the Creator, and we shall ever be true to the maintenance of White Supremacy and strenuously oppose any compromise thereof.

We appreciate the value of practical, fraternal relationship among men of kindred thought, purpose and ideals and the infinite benefits accruing therefrom; we shall faithfully devote ourselves to the practice of an honorable clannishness that the life of each may be a constant blessing to others.

"NON SILBA SED ANTHAR."

PREAMBLE.

We, the members of this Order, citizens and probationers of the Invisible Empire, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, in order to insure unity of organization; to guarantee an effective form of government; to perpetuate our great institution through patriotic and fraternal achievements; to preserve forever its holy principles; to continue and make vital its spiritual purposes; to achieve its laudable objects; to attain its lofty ideals; to consummate its mission and to promote effectively all things set forth in The Imperial Proclamation herein; do declare this Constitution of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, in lieu of the original Prescript of the Ku Klux Klan, as the supreme law of this Society, and pledge our voice, our loyalty, our manhood and our sacred honor to enforce the same. In our endeavor toward the faithful fulfillment of this, our honorable mission, we solemnly invoke the guidance and blessings of Almighty God in behalf of our country, our homes, our race and each other, now, and unto generations yet unborn.

APPELLATION AND GOVERNMENT.

ARTICLE I

Section 1. To the name of this Society, Ku Klux Klan, has been prefixed the words "Knight of the," and therefore forever hereafter it shall be known as "KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN," and is hereinafter referred to as, "This Order." It is, and shall continue to be, a Patriotic, Military, Benevolent, Ritualistic, Social and Fraternal Order or Society.

Section 2. The government of this Order shall ever be military in character, especially in its executive management and control; and no legislative enactment or constitutional amendment hereafter shall encroach upon, affect or change this fundamental principle of the Invisible Empire.

Section 3. The government of this Order shall be vested primarily in the Imperial Wizard, as Commander-in-Chief, who shall be supreme within the restrictions of this constitution, and as otherwise provided, and whose decisions, decrees, edicts, mandates, rulings and instructions shall be of full authority and unquestionably recognized and respected by each and every citizen of the Invisible Empire.

OBJECTS AND PURPOSES.

ARTICLE II.

Section 1. The objects of this Order shall be to unite white male persons, native-born Gentile citizens of the United States of America, who owe no allegiance of any nature or degree to any foreign government, nation, institution, sect, ruler, person or people; whose morals are good; whose reputations and vocations are respectable; whose habits are exemplary; who are of sound minds and eighteen years or more of age, under a common oath into a brotherhood of strict regulations; to cultivate and promote patriotism toward our Civil Government; to practice an honorable clannishness toward each other; to exemplify a practical benevolence; to shield the sanctity of the home and the chastity of womanhood; to maintain forever white supremacy, to teach and faithfully inculcate a high spiritual philosophy through an exalted ritualism, and by a practical devotion to conserve, protect and maintain the distinctive institutions, rights, privileges, principles, traditions and ideals of a pure Americanism.

Section 2. To create and maintain an institution by which the present and succeeding

generations shall commemorate the great sacrifice, chivalric service and imperishable achievement of the "Ku Klux Klan of the Reconstruction period of American History," to the end that justice and honor be done the sacred memory of those who wrought through our mystic society during that period, and that their valiant accomplishments be not lost to posterity; to perpetuate their faithful courage, noble spirit, peerless principles and faultless ideals; to hold sacred and make effective their spiritual purpose in this and future generations; that they be rightly vindicated before the world by a revelation of the whole truth.

Section 3. This Order is an institution of Chivalry, Humanity, Justice and Patriotism; embodying in its genius and principles all that is chivalric in conduct, noble in sentiment, generous in manhood, and patriotic in purpose. Its peculiar objects are: First, to protect the weak, the innocent, and the defenseless from the indignities, wrongs and outrages of the lawless, the violent and the brutal; to relieve the injured and the oppressed; to succor the suffering and unfortunate, especially widows and orphans. Second, to protect and defend the Constitution

of the United States of America, and all laws passed in conformity thereto, and to protect the States and the people thereof from all invasion of their rights from any source whatsoever. Third, to aid and assist in the execution of all constitutional laws, and to preserve the honor and dignity of the State by opposing tyranny, in any and every form or degree, from any and every source whatsoever, by a fearless and faithful administration of justice through due process of law; and to meet promptly and properly every behest of Duty without fear and without reproach.

TERRITORIAL JURISDICTIONS AND ASSEMBLIES.

ARTICLE III

Section 1. THE INVISIBLE EMPIRE: The phrase "Invisible Empire" in a material sense denotes the universal geographical jurisdiction of this Order and it shall embrace the whole world. The convention of the Invisible Empire shall be known as the Imperial Kloukation. The phrase "Invisible Empire" in a spiritual sense applies to all the secrets and secret knowledge and information, secret work and working and things of this Order,

and to all that has been, to all that now is and to all that is to be, the past, the present and the future, yesterday, today and forever; the dead of yesterday, the living of today and the contemplated of tomorrow, of the life that now is and of that which is to come.

Section 2. In a material sense, the territorial division of the Invisible Empire into a subordinate jurisdiction shall be known as a "Realm," and same shall embrace a State or States or a territorial possession of the United States of America, and shall derive its designation from that State or Territory which it embraces, and its number shall be given it in order of its formation. The convention of a Realm shall be known as the "Klorero."

Section 3. A territorial division of a Realm shall be known as a "Province," and shall embrace a county or a number of counties of a State. Provinces shall be designated by number. The convention of a Province shall be known as the "Klonverse."

Section 4. A "Klan" is the unit of this Order; it is the local or subordinate body, lodge, or organization, and its territorial jurisdiction shall be known as the "Klanton" which shall extend in all directions to a distance midway between the location of the Klan and the

nearest Klan thereto, except as otherwise designated by the Imperial Wizard or Grand Dragon of a Realm. The boundaries of a Klanton shall be fixed, so far as is possible, but, on the delivery of the Klan charter. A convention or an assembly of a Klan in secret session shall be known as the "Klonklave."

Section 5. All things and matters which do not exist within this Order or are not authorized by or do not come under its jurisdiction shall be designated as the "Alien World." All persons who are not members of this Order shall be designated as "Aliens."

MEMBERSHIP.

ARTICLE IV.

Section 1. The qualifications for membership in this Order shall be: An applicant must be a white male Gentile person, a native-born citizen of the United States of America who owes no allegiance of any nature or degree whatsoever to any foreign government, nation, institution, sect, ruler, prince, potentate, people or person; he must have attained the age of eighteen years, be of sound mind, good character, of commendable reputation and respectable vocation, a believer in the tenets of the Christian Religion, and one whose

allegiance, loyalty and devotion to the Government of the United States of America in all things is unquestionable. He must be a resident within the jurisdiction of the Klan to which he applies, for at least twelve months immediately preceding the date of his application for citizenship, provided, however, that special dispensation may be granted by the Grand Dragon of that Realm in organized Realms, or by the Imperial Wizard in unorganized States, to waive this condition.

Section 2. Applications for membership in this Order must be on a regular charter petition by charter applicants of a Klan, and on a regular application blank after a Klan has been chartered. The applicant must state whether he ever has applied for membership in this Order, and such application made to a chartered Klan must be endorsed by at least two Klansmen, or by a Kleagle or by the Imperial Wizard of this Order.

Section 3. The "Klectokon" (initiation fee) is given by an applicant and accepted by this Order as a donation to its propagation and general fund and not in the sense of purchasing membership in this Order by the applicant, and this donation must accompany each application for citizenship. The Klec-

token is a sum of money of not less than Ten (\$10.00) Dollars, nor more than Twenty-five (\$25.00) Dollars.

Section 4. All men who served as members of the Original Ku Klux Klan or rendered distinct service thereto, or who were so connected with similar organizations during the Reconstruction period of American history shall be admitted to full fellowship in this Order without payment of Klectokon or dues; provided, however, they individually qualify for membership under the requirements of Section 1, or this Article.

Section 5. An applicant's qualifications must be known before he is accepted for membership in this Order. Great care must be exercised on the part of a Kleagle or a Klan in ascertaining an applicant's qualifications under Section 1, of this Article.

EMPEROR OF THE INVISIBLE EMPIRE, HIS DUTIES AND PRIVILEGES.

ARTICLE V.

Section 1. The Emperor of the Invisible Empire shall have entire charge of Kloranic, Ritualistic and Philosophic work of this Or-

der, and he shall be an ex-officio member of all Imperial, Grand, Great and Klan bodies. His term of office shall be for life.

Section 2. In the event of a vacancy in his office, his successor shall be called and installed by the Grand Dragons of the various Realms, in the same manner as set forth in Article IX of this constitution.

Section 3. He shall create and cause to be promulgated all countersigns, pass words, ritualistic or kloranic work and secret signs, symbols and work of this Order. He shall design, or cause to be designed, all paraphernalia, regalia, uniforms, costumes, emblems, insignia, flags, banners, and jewelry for individual wear, honorary and official jewels, books, pamphlets and literature of this Order. All costumes, designs, symbols or other insignia officially adopted by this Order, whether created by him or not, shall be recognized as official, and shall be received by the members of this Order.

Section 4. He shall have the sole power to create all titles and honors within this Order on whomsoever he may elect, and shall issue and sign all certificates or diplomas relative thereto, and cause to be affixed thereon the great Imperial Seal of the Order.

THE IMPERIAL KLONVOKATION.

ARTICLE VI.

Section 1. The Imperial Klonvokation shall be the sole legislative body of this Order; therefore, it shall have original jurisdiction in all matters pertaining to creating and amending this Constitution and Laws, the regulation, government and general welfare of this Order. It shall have power to enact laws for the regulation of its own procedure, for the government of the Invisible Empire, Realms, Provinces and Klans, and for the general control and management of the business of this Order, and to provide penalties for the violation thereof. It shall have power to prescribe the rights, privileges, duties, and responsibilities of the Realms, Provinces and Klans, and of all officers and members of this Order, and finally to determine the same. The Imperial Klonvokation shall meet biennially in the month of September on day and at place to be fixed by the Imperial Wizard.

Section 2. The Imperial Klonvokation shall be composed of all Imperial Officers, the Grand Dragons and an elected delegate (Klepeer) from each organized Realm; the Great Titan,

and an elected delegate (Klepeer) from each Province. (Exalted Cyclops from Klans that are in good standing by reason of having paid all Imperial, Realm and Province taxes shall be entitled to one vote each therein, which cannot be delegated, and which shall be deducted from the total vote of their Realm). Each organized Realm (State) represented in the Klonyokation shall be entitled to one vote for each One Hundred or majority fraction thereof of Klansmen in good standing in that Realm at the end of the calendar quarter next preceding the meeting of the Imperial Klonyokation as shown by the records of the Imperial Palace. The Total vote of each Realm, after deducting the vote of the Exalted Cyclops present thus determined shall be equally divided among the representatives present at the Klonyokation. States not organized into Realms shall be entitled to one representative for each state who shall be elected by the Chartered Klans thereof and shall have same voting power as in Realms. Provided, however, that in no event shall the conditions of this section operate to increase the basis of representation for a State or Realm as hereinafter provided in this section of Article VI of the Constitution and Laws.

Courtesy cards may be issued entitling the holders of same to a seat outside the boundaries of the regular Klepeers' seats, the holders of the courtesy privilege, however, having no voting privilege and must be members in good standing, in Klans in good standing in the Imperial, Realm and Province funds.

Section 3. The active officers of the Imperial Klonvokation in convention assembled shall be a president and a secretary. The Imperial Klaliff shall be its president and the Imperial Kligrapp shall be its secretary and recording officer. Other Imperial Officers may act as chairmen of Committees, or constitute committees. All acts of the Klonvokation shall become effective within one hour after their passage unless vetoed by the Imperial Wizard within that time, in which event the Klonvokation may pass the act over the veto of the Imperial Wizard by three-fourths ($\frac{3}{4}$) vote of the said Klonvokation.

THE IMPERIAL KLONCILIUM.

ARTICLE VII

Section 1. The Imperial Kloncilium shall be the supreme advisory board of this Order and shall be composed of all the Imperial Officers named in Article VIII.

Section 2. The Imperial Kloucilium shall be the Supreme Tribunal of Justice of this Order and shall have full appellate jurisdiction to hear and finally determine all appeals of whatever nature presented to it affecting the relationship and constitutional rights and privileges of Realms and Provinces, and Klans and members of this Order in unorganized states.

Section 3. It shall have full power and authority, acting in the presence of the Imperial Wizard or his authorized representative, to act in the interim between sessions of the Imperial Klouvolation.

Section 4. It shall meet in regular session in the month of July each year on call of the Imperial Wizard, but special sessions may be held at any other time on call of the Imperial Wizard when same is deemed necessary by him or when he is requested in writing to do so by five members thereof.

Section 5. Nine members present, in person or by proxy, of the Imperial Kloucilium, including the Imperial Wizard, or his authorized representative, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of all matters coming before it, except where otherwise provided herein.

Section 6. Decisions of the Imperial Kloucilium on all matters of a judiciary nature coming before it for adjudication shall be final when same are ratified by the Imperial Wizard.

Section 7. Between the meetings of the Imperial Kloucilium, whenever, in the judgment of the Imperial Wizard, it shall become necessary for it to consider any matter or thing whatsoever, he may submit the matter to the members of the Imperial Kloucilium in writing by mail or otherwise, and their votes thereon shall be cast in writing by mail or otherwise within a time limit to be fixed by the Imperial Wizard.

Section 8. The Imperial Kligrapp shall be the Secretary and recording officer of the Imperial Kloucilium.

IMPERIAL OFFICERS.

ARTICLE VIII.

Section 1. Hereafter the Imperial officers of this Order shall be sixteen in number, and their official titles shall be as follows:

The Imperial Wizard (Supreme Chief Executive).

Imperial Klaliff (Supreme 1st Vice-Pres.).

Imperial Klazik (Supreme 2nd Vice-Pres.).

Imperial Klokard (Supreme Lecturer).
Imperial Kludd (Supreme Chaplain).
Imperial Kligrapp (Supreme Secretary).
Imperial Klabee (Supreme Treasurer).
Imperial Kladd (Supreme Conductor).
Imperial Klarogo (Supreme Inner-Guard).
Imperial Klexter (Supreme Outer-Guard).
Imperial Klonsel (Supreme Attorney).
Imperial Night-Hawk (Supreme Courier).
and four Imperial Klokann (Constituting a
Board of Auditors and supreme advisors).
These shall be known as the Imperial
Wizard and his fifteen GENII.

IMPERIAL WIZARD.

ARTICLE IX.

Section 1. The Imperial Wizard is the supreme chief executive of this Order. He shall be elected by the Grand Dragons. To elect the Imperial Wizard, the Grand Dragons shall meet in executive session upon the call of the Imperial Kligrapp. Each Grand Dragon shall cast as his vote the number of votes representing his Realm, in the Klönvokation as shown by the records of the Imperial Palace on the first day of the quarter on which election is held; this vote

to be ascertained in the same manner as set forth in Section V, Article 6. If no result is determined after three ballots all names must be dropped except the three receiving the highest number of votes; if no result is determined at the end of three more ballots, all names must be dropped except the two receiving the highest number of votes. No nomination shall be made. No motions except a motion to recess shall be entertained during said election. No adjournment shall be taken until after the completion of the election. Any Klansman in good standing in any Klan in good standing as determined by the records of the Imperial Palace is eligible to be chosen Imperial Wizard. While the Grand Dragons are in session for the purpose of electing an Imperial Wizard, they are prohibited from having any communication of any nature whatsoever with anyone outside of their meeting from the time they are called to order until they have finally elected an Imperial Wizard.

Section 2. The Imperial Wizard shall hold office for a period of four years or until his successor is elected and installed. He shall be removed for just cause by the Imperial Kloucilium after charges have been preferred

and a trial held, upon a three-fourths vote of said body, in session assembled, subject to the approval of the Grand Dragons who shall be immediately convened in executive session by the Imperial Kligrapp.

Section 3. Upon the death or removal of the Imperial Wizard from office, the Imperial Klaliff shall immediately succeed to that office and shall govern until a successor to the Imperial Wizard is installed. In the event the Imperial Wizard is removed from office, a successor shall be named at the earliest possible date thereafter, consistent with careful judgment in the selection.

DUTIES, PREROGATIVES AND POWERS OF THE IMPERIAL WIZARD.

ARTICLE X.

Section 1. Being the Supreme Chief Executive of this Order, the Imperial Wizard shall have and hold supreme authority and power within this Constitution in all administrative matters, and to act in any and all matters not prescribed in this Constitution, when in his judgment the best interest of this Order warrants. He may delegate such authority to his subordinate executives or administra-

tive officers as he may deem necessary, but the Imperial Authority of this Order shall ever center and be vested in him and shall not be divided.

Section 2. He shall specify the duties of all officers regardless of rank or station, of whatever department, bureau, or division, other than those duties enumerated in this Constitution, and shall require such duties to be properly performed on penalty of removal from office.

Section 3. He shall issue charters for Klans, specify conditions on which charters shall be issued, and shall have the power to open and close charters of Klans in his discretion or upon request of a Klan. He shall have full and unchallengeable authority and power to suspend or revoke charters of Klans, for cause.

Section 4. He shall promulgate all countersigns and passwords, and any and all other secret signs and work of this Order, created by the Emperor.

Section 5. He shall have supreme supervision over all departments of this Order.

Section 6. He shall have full authority to issue decrees, edicts, mandates, rulings and instructions covering any matter not spe-

cifically set forth in this Constitution, or emphasizing any matter of this Constitution, and all such decrees, edicts, mandates, rulings and instructions must be respected and obeyed promptly and faithfully by all members of this Order on penalty of banishment.

Section 7. He shall manufacture, or cause to be manufactured, all paraphernalia, regalia, uniforms, costumes, emblems, insignia, flags, banners, jewelry for individual wear, jewels for official use, clerical forms, books, pamphlets, literature, advertising matter stationery, etc., etc., and no other design, emblem, insignia or form or thing, article or articles shall be recognized, countenanced or used by this Order or any member of same. All designs, emblems or other insignia officially adopted by the Emperor whether created by him or not, shall be recognized as official and duly respected by all members of this Order.

Section 8. He shall request of the Imperial Klonvokation such legislation as he deems wise for the best interest of this Order in its government, regulation and promulgation.

Section 9. He shall have full power and authority to remove from office at any time any officer of this Order, other than an Im-

perial Officer, of any rank or station or capacity, or any employee whomsoever, on the ground of incompetency, disloyalty, neglect of duty, or for unbecoming conduct.

Section 10. He shall have full authority and power to appoint all Imperial Officers and Grand Dragons, and their terms of office shall be designated by him unless otherwise provided for herein.

Section 11. He shall have and hold full and original authority and power, office and title of "Supreme Kléagle," and is fully authorized and empowered to solicit applicants for membership in this Order, to collect and receipt for Kléctokons, and admit to membership, in this Order, any person or any number of persons at any time and in any place he may choose, provided such person or persons qualify under the requirements of Article IV, Section 1, of this Constitution.

Section 12. He shall issue and sign all commissions or other credentials of this order in promulgating same, and affix the Imperial Seal thereto; and he shall contract, in the name of this Order, with other members for its extension, financing, management, operation and business interests, and shall fix the compensation therefor.

Section 13. Whenever a question of paramount importance to the interest, well-being or prosperity of this Order arises, not provided for in this Constitution, he shall have full power and authority to determine such question, and his decision, which he shall report to the Imperial Klönvokation if requested, shall be final.

DUTIES OF IMPERIAL OFFICERS.

ARTICLE XI.

Section 1 IMPERIAL KLALIFF: Is the second highest officer of this Order; he shall be the president of the Imperial Klönvokation, and perform such other duties as may be required by the Imperial Wizard.

Section 2. IMPERIAL KLAZIK: Is the second vice-president of this Order, and he shall be the executive head of the department of Realms, and shall perform such other duties as may be required by the Imperial Wizard.

Section 3. IMPERIAL KLOKARD: The duties of the Imperial Klokard shall be to disseminate Klankraft, and perform such duties as may be required by the Imperial Wizard.

Section 4. IMPERIAL KLUDD: Is the Chaplain of the Imperial Klonyokation and shall perform such other duties as may be required by the Imperial Wizard.

Section 5. IMPERIAL KLIGRAPP: Is the Supreme Secretary and recording officer of this Order. He shall be in charge of secretarial work and shall be the custodian of the Imperial records and the Imperial Seal. He shall receive and receipt for all funds coming from any source whatsoever. He shall transmit all such funds in his possession to the Imperial Klabece (Supreme Treasurer) at the close of each day, taking his receipt therefor. He shall be the secretary of the Imperial Klonyokation and shall act as secretary of the Imperial Klonyokation and shall have general supervision of all the clerical work and workings. He shall keep an accurate account of the receipts and disbursements. He shall sign all papers, vouchers and other documents requiring his signature or attestation. He shall prepare and submit a report of the workings of his office to each session of the Imperial Klonyokation. He shall furnish the Imperial Klonyokation when requested with such information as they desire with reference to his office. He shall give bond for the faithful and

honest performance of the duties of his office in some reliable bonding or surety company in the sum of \$25,000.00, the said bond to be approved by the Imperial Kloucilium. He shall not assume the duties of his office until all these requirements are complied with.

Section 6. IMPERIAL KLABEE: Is the Supreme Treasurer of this Order and is, therefore, the custodian of its funds. It shall be his duty to demand of the Imperial Kligrapp at the close of each day all funds received by the Imperial Kligrapp and he shall receipt the Imperial Kligrapp therefor, and make a deposit of funds once each day in some bank or banks, designated by the Imperial Kloucilium. These funds shall be carried in the name of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan and shall be paid out only upon the signature of the Imperial Klabee, countersigned by the Imperial Wizard. He shall keep an accurate record of all receipts and disbursements made by him, and shall make a full and complete report of the receipts and disbursements of his office to the Imperial Kloucilium at its regular annual meeting, and to the Imperial Kloukation at its regular meeting. He shall perform such other duties as may be required of him by the Imperial Wiz-

ard. For the faithful and honest performance of his duties he shall give bond in some bonding or surety company to be approved by the Imperial Kloucilium in a sum not less than \$50,000.00. The amount of this bond may be increased at any time by the Imperial Kloucilium.

Section 7. IMPERIAL KLADD: Shall perform such duties as may be required of him by the Imperial Wizard.

Section 8. IMPERIAL KLAROGO: Is inner guard at all Imperial Kloucilium and Imperial Kloukation meetings and shall perform such other duties as may be required by the Imperial Wizard.

Section 9. IMPERIAL KLEXTER: Is outer guard at all meetings of the Imperial Kloucilium and Imperial Kloukation, and shall perform such other duties as may be required by the Imperial Wizard.

Section 10. IMPERIAL KLONSEL: Is Supreme Attorney or legal advisor of this Order and shall perform such other duties as may be required by the Imperial Wizard.

Section 11. IMPERIAL NIGHT-HAWK: Is the head of the department of Investigation, and shall perform such other duties as may be required by the Imperial Wizard.

Section 12. THE IMPERIAL KLOKANN: Is the Supreme Board of Auditors and Special Advisors. It shall be composed of four members, each of whom shall bear the official title of "Imperial Klokan." The chairman of this board shall be known as "Chief Imperial Klokan." The duties of this Board shall be to audit the books, records and reports of the Imperial Kligrapp and the Imperial Kiabee and the clerical records of this Order, and to make a written report at each regular session of the Imperial Klönvokation and the Imperial Klönzilium. It shall recommend to the Imperial Wizard such plans and methods as it deems wise for the welfare of this Order, and it shall perform such other duties as may be required of it, and each member thereof, individually, shall perform such other duties as may be required of him by the Imperial Wizard.

KLEAGLES AND GIANTS.

ARTICLE XII.

Section 1. A Kleagle is an organizer or field worker of this Order, and shall be appointed only by or under the direct or delegated authority of the Imperial Wizard, and

shall work by and under his requirements and instructions.

Section 2. The Imperial Wizard, being by virtue of his office the Supreme Kleagle, shall have full power and authority to commission and appoint members of this Order as Kleagles, and he shall have full power to remove from office any Kleagle of any rank, grade or station whatsoever.

Section 3. All authority, power, privileges and prerogatives that may be vested in, or conferred upon the office of Kleagle of any rank below the Supreme Kleagle shall be derived from the Supreme Kleagle and delegated by him only, and same must be evidenced by a documentary commission setting forth such authority and power so delegated.

Section 4. Kleagles of whatever rank below the Supreme Kleagle shall be employed under contract stipulations, and they shall give bond in some reliable bonding or security company in such amount as may be required by the Imperial Wizard.

Section 5. Kleagles of whatever rank, grade, or station must thoroughly familiarize themselves with the Kloran, laws, principals, objects, history, usages and mannerism; of

this Order, and must be able to demonstrate same in an intelligent and proficient manner.

Section 6. The title of Giant may apply by gradation to all officers who have served one or more terms as the chief executive officer of the Invisible Empire and of subordinate jurisdictions thereof. A Klan Giant is one who has served as Exalted Cyclops; a Great Giant is one who has served as Great Titan; a Grand Giant is one who has served as Grand Dragon; an Imperial Giant is one who has served as Imperial Wizard. The title is not conferred on an officer until his successor has been duly installed. The title Giant shall in all cases be conferred upon the recommendation of the next officer above in rank. This honorary title shall be conferred in recognition of regular and faithful services performed as prescribed by the Constitution and Laws of this Order. The Grand Dragon of a Realm shall, at all times, keep in his office a list of the Giants in that Realm and shall, whenever possible, use such Giants for special service.

PARAPHERNALIA, REGALIA, EMBLEMS, ENSIGNS, INSIGNIA, ETC.

ARTICLE XIII.

Section 1. All ensigns, standards, flags or banners, and all emblems, insignia, paraphernalia, regalia, uniforms, and costumes, and all designs thereof of our original Society—the Ku Klux Klan—are retained and officially re-adopted as property of this order under its now incorporate name of Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

Section 2. All designs, ensigns, flags, standards, banners, emblems, insignia, seals, paraphernalia, regalia, uniforms, costumes, etc., and all clerical forms or matters to be printed, shall be adapted by or designed by or under the directions of the Emperor only.

Section 3. All articles, designs and things referred to or implied in Sections 1 and 2, above, and Article X, Section 10, of this constitution, and all property, real and personal, shall ever be and remain the property of this Order and such supplies can only be procured from the Imperial Wizard by the required requisition therefor, and this also shall apply to all supplies used by any subordinate juris-

diction, and any and all jewelry or other articles used by a member.

Section 4. Any article or thing, regardless of form, or of what material it shall be made, or for what purpose it shall be made, or to what use it shall be subjected, if it bears an emblem or an insignia of this Order, shall belong to and is the property of this order; and such articles or things cannot legally bear an emblem, insignia, or design of this Order without written authority of the Imperial Wizard, and can only be procured through him, and can be used only by a member or by such person or persons properly coming under the protection of this Order by authority of the Imperial Wizard. If such article or thing or other property be intrusted to or permitted to be in the possession of a member, or other person, as set forth above, it must be surrendered on official demand by an Exalted Cyclops or the Imperial Wizard. If a member has in his possession any article of property of this Order, and voluntarily discontinues his membership, or is banished from membership, or in any other manner his connection with this Order is severed, such article or articles, thing or things, must be immediately returned or surrendered by him to an Exalted

Cyclops, Great Titan, Grand Dragon, or to the Imperial Wizard, and he shall be given a receipt for same. Upon his failure to do so within thirty days the Exalted Cyclops or other officer shall take action necessary to regain the actual possession of such article or articles. All rights, privileges and use of all such designs, emblems, insignia, etc., cited or implied above, are strictly reserved by this Order.

Section 5. It shall be unlawful for any person or persons, company, firm or corporation, to manufacture or cause to be manufactured, catalog or cause to be cataloged, advertise or cause to be advertised, sell or offer for sale or cause same to be done, any article or design whatsoever of this Order, or anything used by or properly belonging to this Order, unless such person or persons, company, firm or corporation, be duly licensed by the Imperial Wizard to manufacture, advertise or sell such article, designs or things, and even then, only by a strict adherence to the conditions, restrictions and directions specified in said license.

Section 6. It shall be unlawful for any member of this Order to purchase, cause to be purchased, or otherwise come into posses-

sion of any article or property of this Order from any person, company, firm or corporation, without authority to do so from the Imperial Wizard; he can procure such article from the Imperial Wizard only by making requisition therefor, and remitting the amount of money required. It shall be unlawful for any subordinate jurisdiction to procure any article or property of this Order, or any supplies, etc., used by it from any other source than the Imperial Wizard, or by his authority.

Section 7. If an unauthorized person shall have in his possession any article, or property of this Order, and this fact shall become known to a member, it shall be the sworn duty of such member to regain for this Order the actual possession of such article without delay; his failure to do so will jeopardize his membership.

COSTUMES, SEALS, ENSIGNS, SYMBOLS, ETC.

ARTICLE XIV.

Section 1. **KLAN PARAPHERNALIA:** Shall consist of altar furnishings as per

Kloran, and such account books, forms and other things as are necessary.

Section 2. COSTUMES: The official costume of this Order, shall be a white robe of light weight cotton cloth, made with cape of same material, and of proper length, with white girdle around waist, and insignia of this Order worn on the left breast. The cowl or helmet shall be made of same material as the robe, and with whatever material necessary to give it the proper stiffness, and so made that it will be collapsible, and when worn shall be of a cone shape. There shall be one red tassel attached to the peak of same. There shall be an apron of the same material in both the front and rear, so as to completely conceal the identity of the wearer. The front apron shall have two holes of the proper size and location to facilitate the vision of the wearer. This shall be known as the Klansman's robe or costume. Costumes to be worn by active officers, of whatever rank or station, shall be of such design, and made of such material, and with the use of such colors, as may be prescribed by the Emperor.

Section 3. EMBLEMS AND SYMBOLS:

Shall be such as may be designated or authorized by the Emperor.

Section 4. ENSIGNS, FLAGS AND STANDARDS: The official ensigns, flags, and standards of this Order, together with all official banners, shall be of such shape, size and design as may be authorized by the Emperor.

Section 5. THE GRAND ENSIGN: The "Grand Ensign" or Banner of this Order shall be in the form of an isosceles triangle, five feet long and three feet wide at the staff. The material shall be yellow, with a red scalloped border about three inches in width. There shall be painted upon it in black, A Dracovolans, or Flying Dragon, with the following motto inscribed on it: "Quod Semper, quod ubique, quod ab omnibus." The tongue shall be painted in red with an arrow head end. The tail shall also end with an arrow head.

Section 6. SEAL: There shall be a Seal of this Order, which shall be known as the Great Imperial Seal. It shall bear the words, "Imperial Seal—Knights of the Ku Klux Klan," and shall be of such design as the Emperor shall direct. Each chartered Klan of this Order shall have a Seal bearing the

name, number, and Realm of the Klan, together with the name of this Order, "Knights of the Ku Klux Klan," and shall be of such design as directed by the Emperor. This Seal must be procured by the Klan immediately after it shall have been chartered. Seals to be used by the various subordinate jurisdictions shall bear the name—"Knights of the Ku Klux Klan," and be of such design as the Emperor may direct.

Section 7. KLIKON AND SYMBOLS: The Klikon is the Sacred Picture of this Order, and as such must be rigidly safeguarded by whatever Klan or Klansman to whom it may be intrusted. The various symbols of this Order, used in its several Kloranic Orders, shall be such as are designed and authorized by the Emperor.

REVENUES AND PROPERTY TITLES.

ARTICLE XV.

Section 1. The revenues of this Order shall consist of: First, a percentage of each and every klectokon, whether paid to a klan or to a Kleagle; such percentage to be determined by the Imperial Wizard. Second, a per capita

tax, which shall be known as the Imperial Tax; which shall be a sum of money not to exceed fifteen (15c) cents per capita per month. Third, all profits realized from the placing of paraphernalia, regalia, supplies, jewelry, uniforms, costumes, stationery, and any and all other articles used in the work of this Order or by any member. Fourth, all interest accruing on investments made by this Order.

Section 2. The Imperial Tax shall begin with the month immediately succeeding the month in which a Klan is chartered, and is due and payable on the first day of each calendar quarter thereafter; the Kligrapp of each Klan shall remit the same with his regular quarterly report—his failure to do so will subject the charter of that Klan to suspension or cancellation. The Imperial Tax is hereby levied upon each and every Klan now chartered and which may be hereafter chartered, and the Imperial Wizard has full authority and power to collect same.

Section 3. The revenues of a Realm shall consist of: First, such portion of the Imperial revenue received from that Realm as may be fixed by proclamation of the Imperial Wizard. Second, a per capita tax, to be known as a

Province Tax, in such amount as the Klonverse of each Province may determine, in no case to be less than 8 1-3 cents per month.

REALMS.

ARTICLE XVI.

Section 1. A Realm may be organized within a state or states of the United States, or other territorial sub-division when recommended by a committee of three Realm Officers from other States appointed by the Imperial Klazik for that purpose.

Section 2. A Realm is organized on the declaration of the Imperial Wizard, and with such declaration he shall appoint and name all officers thereof and shall furnish laws and regulations for the government of that Realm, and such appointment of officers and such laws if not in conflict with this Constitution, shall be effective until the convention of the initial Klorero of that Realm after its organization; at which time the Klorero will proceed to elect all of its elective officers, and adopt laws for the government of that Realm, but such laws adopted and such elections held shall not be inconsistent with this Constitution and the laws of this Order. Such laws

and amendments of laws adopted at this time or at any future Klorero must be ratified by the Grand Dragon and the Imperial Wizard before the same become effective as law.

Section 3. The Klorero of a Réalm shall be composed of all Grand Officers of provinces within that Realm, and five Kleepers from each Province in said Realm. Grand Officers, Great Titans and Great Officers shall be entitled to one vote each. The five Kleepers shall be entitled to one vote for each one hundred Klansmen or major fraction thereof in good standing within the province that they represent, said Kleepers present to divide this vote equally. Exalted Cyclops shall have the same voting rights, and under the same conditions as in the Klonvokation.

Section 4. The Klorero shall possess no power to interfere with the Imperial Wizard in his plans and purposes in the promulgation of this Order within its respective bounds.

Section 5. The Klorero shall provide its own revenue to meet the expenses of its convention and clerical obligations.

Section 6. The officers of a Realm shall be a Grand Dragon, who shall be President of the Klorero; he shall be appointed by the Imperial Wizard for a term of office designated

In his appointment or during faithful service and good behavior, and shall govern his Realm in a manner not inconsistent with this Constitution, or the instructions and directions of his Imperial Klazik; Grand Klaliff, second highest officer of a Realm, who shall be vice-president of the Klorero; Grand Klo-kard lecturer; Grand Kludd, chaplain; Grand Kligrapp, secretary; Grand Klabee, treasurer; Grand Kladd, conductor; Grand Klarogo, inner guard; Grand Klexter, outer guard; and a Grand Night-Hawk. These shall be known as the Grand Dragon and his nine Hydras. Officers of a Realm, other than the Grand Dragon, shall be elected by the Klorero on the nomination of the Grand Dragon, and such election must be ratified by the Imperial Klazik prior to their installation.

Section 7. The Grand Dragon and Great Titans of each Realm shall be required to meet *en banc* on the third Monday of July of each year. The first meeting to be held on the third Monday of July, 1923, at a place designated by the Imperial Klazik. The object of the meeting is to discuss Klan problems and to suggest solutions therefor.

PROVINCES.

ARTICLE XVII.

Section 1. The Grand Dragon shall designate the bounds of a Province in his Realm and shall form new Provinces as the development warrants, but in number not to exceed six Provinces in any one Realm, except by permission of the Imperial Wizard, Desiring to form a Province he shall procure permission from the Imperial Klazik. Upon receipt of such permission he shall notify all Klans to be incorporated in that Province, naming the officers appointed by him, and formally declaring such Province formed, and report immediately such formation to the Imperial Klazik.

Section 2. At the initial convention of a Klaverse of a Province; the elective officers of that Province shall be elected, but such election must be ratified by the Grand Dragon of that Realm, and such officers elected and ratified shall be installed by the Grand Dragon or by his duly appointed deputy, and they shall govern the Province under the direction and instructions of the Grand Dragon.

Section 3. A Klaverse shall be composed of all the Grand Officers of the Realm; all

Great Officers of that Province and **four Kleepers** from each **Klan** in good standing in that Province. The **Grand Officers** and **Great Officers** shall each be entitled to one vote. The **Kleepers** shall be entitled to one vote for each one hundred **Klansmen** or major fraction thereof in good standing in their **Klan** and they shall divide the vote of their **Klan** equally.

Section 4. The officers of a Province shall hereafter be: A **Great Titan**, the highest officer of a Province, and **President** of the **Klonverse**; three **great Klaliks**, who shall compose an **Advisory Board**; a **Great Kilgrapp**, secretary; a **Great Klabee**, treasurer; a **Great Kludd**, champion; and a **Great Night-Hawk**. These officers shall be known as the **Great Titan** and his **Seven Furies**, and their terms of office shall be from the date of their installation until the next convention of the **Klonverse**, or until their successors shall have been elected and installed.

Section 5. The **Great Titan** of a Province shall be appointed by the **Grand Dragon** of the **Realm**, with the consent and approval of the **Imperial Klazik**, but all other officers of a Province shall be elected by the **Klonverse** on the nomination of the **Great Titan**.

Section 6. The function of the **Klonverse** is social and fraternal, for the purpose of promoting good fellowship within the bounds of that Province, and stimulating and developing interest in this Order, and its mission and work.

Section 7. The **Klonverse** shall meet in regular session each calendar year, at such place as it may select, and at such time as the **Great Titan** may designate—provided the **Klonverse** must hold its session at least thirty days prior to the convention of the **Klorero** of that Realm.

KLANS.

ARTICLE XVIII.

Section 1-a. In States having a perfected Realm organization, the **Grand Dragon** shall designate the location of new **Klans** to be instituted, and shall stipulate the number of charter petitioners necessary to institute a new **Klan**.

Section 1-b. In States having no Realm organization, the **King Kleagle** shall be the judge of the location and number of petitioners necessary to institute a new **Klan**.

Section 2. The **Kleagle** in charge of the organization of a **Klan** shall remain in charge

and be responsible until that Klan is duly chartered and its officers elected and installed.

Section 3-a. Upon the organization of a Klan, a vote shall be had on the petitioners, and if there be three negative votes cast on the ballot as a whole, then an individual ballot shall be had by balloting on the petitioners one at a time, three negative ballots rejecting. After a Klan has been organized and prior to the issuance and closing of its charter, charter applicants must be submitted to the Klan in klonklave assembled; if any Klansman present knows any just reason that disqualifies an applicant for membership, he must rise to his feet and challenge that applicant and state his reasons for so doing; this done, the Provisional Exalted Cyclops, or the Kleagle in charge acting as such, shall refer the application to the Klokann and the Klokann shall investigate the application on the basis of the grounds of objection, and they shall report on such applicant at the next subsequent klonklave, if possible, or at the very earliest possible date thereafter, at which klonklave final action shall be taken. An applicant who has been finally rejected cannot apply again until after the expiration of twelve months from date of rejection. If

after a careful investigation the Klokann finds that the objector was in error, they shall report accordingly and recommend the passage of the applicant, and the Klan shall take definite and final action on the report of the Klokann.

Section 3-b. Applications for membership in chartered Klans shall be read three times in klonklave assembled, and opportunity given each member present to make objections. All objections may be made in writing, signed by the objector and delivered to the Klokann, whose duty it shall be to investigate the objections and make their findings and report the same to the Klan body for its adoption or rejection. All petitions must be made in writing on Form K-115.

Section 3-c. An applicant who has been finally rejected cannot apply again until after the expiration of twelve months from date of rejection and shall be within the jurisdiction of that Klan for a period of three years. Provided, however, upon request of the Klokann of that Klan through regular channels the Grand Dragon of organized Realms or the Imperial Wizard in unorganized States, a special dispensation may be granted ordering another ballot taken immediately.

Section 4. A Klansman who presents the name of an applicant for membership in this Order must know the applicant personally and be familiar with his qualifications according to this Constitution and Laws. All members of a Klan must faithfully guard the portal of the Invisible Empire so that no person not qualified to enter therein shall be admitted.

Section 5. In the event a petitioner or an applicant is denied membership in this Order, the sum of his Klectokon shall be immediately returned to him by the Kleagle, if same was collected by him, or by the Kligrapp of the Klan if same was paid into the Klan.

Section 6. All actions of a Klan in rejecting an applicant for membership, as to the votes cast, and by whom objections were made, are a positive secret of this Order; members who have knowledge of same and divulge or intimate in the slightest degree or cause such knowledge to be in any way communicated to any person not a member, shall be at once banished from the Invisible Empire for the violation of his oath on the ground of treason.

Section 7. When the required number of charter petitioners have been obtained in a community where a Klan is to be located, the Kleagle will immediately forward a regular

petition for the issuance of charter to the Imperial Wizard through the regular channels. Such petition must give the name selected for that Klan, time of the meetings of regular klonklave and must be signed by the Kleagle in charge or the officers, giving the address of that Klan.

Section 8. The Klan charter shall contain the following text:

**IMPERIAL PALACE INVISIBLE EMPIRE
KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN,
INCORPORATED.**

**TO ALL WHO READ AND RESPECT
THESE LINES,
GREETING:**

WHEREAS, the Imperial Wizard has received a petition from the following named citizens of the Invisible Empire.....

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et al., praying for themselves and others and their successors to be instituted a Klan of the Order under the name and number of.....

.....
Klan Number....., Realm of.....
and same to be located at

in the county of.....

State of

United States of America, and they having given assurance of their fidelity to this Order and their competency to render the service required, and their ready willingness to take upon themselves and their successors the duties and responsibilities thereof, and their serious determined purpose to rightly use and not abuse the powers, privileges and prerogatives conferred on them as such, and be faithful and true in all things committed to them;

Now know ye that I, the Imperial Wizard of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, on this the..... day of

month of the Year of our Lord, 19.....; and

on theday of the.....

Week of the.....Month of the Year of the Klan....., and in the

.....Cycle of the Third Reign of our reincarnation, under the authority possessed by me, do issue this Charter to the aforesaid petitioners, their associates and successors, under the name and number aforesaid, from the day and date hereon, and same is effective from the date of its acceptance by said Klan as certified below.

The said Klan is hereby authorized and empowered to do and to perform all such acts and things as are prescribed by the Kloran, Laws, Imperial Decrees, Edicts, Mandates and Usages of the Order, and to enjoy all the rights, privileges and prerogatives authorized by the Constitution thereof; and all Klansmen are strictly enjoined to valiantly preserve and persistently practice the principles of pure Patriotism, Honor, Klanishness and White Supremacy, ever keeping in mind and heart the sacred sentiment, peculiar purpose, manly mission, and lofty ideals and objects of this Order, a devoted loyalty to their Emperor and their Imperial Wizard—a steadfast obedience to the Constitution of this Order, a faithful keeping of their "Oath of Allegiance," and a constant, unwavering fidelity to every interest of the Invisible Empire, to the end that progress, power, purpose and influence of Klankraft be properly promoted, the knowledge of the faithful, self-sacrificing service and noble achievements of our Fathers be not lost to posterity, and all those things for which this, our beloved Order, is founded to do and perform and to protect, and to preserve and to perpetuate, be diligently done and scrupulously maintained, and

that they be blameless in preserving the grace, dignity and intent of this Charter forever.

I solemnly charge you to hold fast to the dauntless faith of our Fathers and to keep their spotless memory secure and unstained, and true to the traditions of our valiant sires, meet every behest of Duty, in all the relationships of life and living, promptly and properly, without fault, without fail, without fear and without reproach.

The Imperial Wizard has and holds the full and unchallengeable authority, right and power to cancel, suspend or revoke this Charter, and to annul all the rights, powers, prerogatives, and immunities conferred hereby, for the neglect or the refusal on the part of the said Klan to conform to and comply with the Kloran Constitution, and Laws of this Order, and the Imperial Decrees, Edicts, Mandates, Rulings and Instructions thereof, or its failure to respect the usages of this Order as proclaimed by and maintained under the Imperial Authority of same.

In testimony whereof I, the Imperial Wizard of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, have caused to be affixed hereon the Great Imperial Seal of the Invisible Empire, and do hereunto set by hand and impress my official seal,

and same is duly attested—"Non Silba Sed Anthar."

Done in the Executive Chambers of his Lordship, the Imperial Wizard, in the Imperial Palace, in the Imperial City of Atlanta, Commonwealth of Georgia, United States of America, on the day and date above written.

BY HIS LORDSHIP,

.....
**IMPERIAL WIZARD, OF THE INVISIBLE
EMPIRE, KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX
KLAN:**

.....
IMPERIAL KLIGRAPP.

CERTIFICATE OF ACCEPTANCE:

This certifies that this Charter was read to and duly adopted by above named Klan, in session assembled, with all stipulations and conditions herein stated or implied, on the

..... day of

A. D., 19.....AK.....

Exalted Cyclops of Above Named Klan.
(Witness)

Section 9. Upon the receipt of the charter, the Kleagle or the Provisional Exalted Cyclops shall notify, or cause to be notified, the members of the Klan to assemble at the earliest convenient time in klonklave, at which klonklave the charter shall be read and accepted by the Klan and a record made in the minutes of the Klan. The charter of the Klan is then closed and the Klan will proceed to elect its elective officers, exercising care to select officers who are competent and fitted for the respective offices. This done the service of the Kleagle terminates with this Klan. The Klan proceeds at once to supply itself with a seal and with adequate and suitable by-laws for its government and the regulation of its affairs and for the rigid protection and interests of this Order within its Klanton.

Section 10. By-laws of the Klan shall not conflict with or be inconsistent with the Constitution and Laws of this Order, and after same have been prepared by the Klan they must be immediately sent to the Imperial Wizard or Grand Dragon to be approved and ratified by him, corrected and amended by him if necessary and upon his ratification such

by-laws become effective as law for the regulation of that Klan.

Section 11. The charter of a Klan may be reopened by the Grand Dragon of a Realm or by the Imperial Wizard upon a request by the Klan, signed by its Exalted Cyclops and Kligrapp. When a charter is reopened, the Grand Dragon or the Imperial Wizard will provide a Kleagle for this Klan for work under their direction.

Section 12. The elective officers of a Klan shall hereafter be as follows: The Exalted Cyclops, president; Klaliff, vice-president; Klokard, lecturer; Kludd, Chaplain; Kligrapp, secretary; Klabee, treasurer; Kladd, conductor; Klarogo, inner guard; Klexter, outer guard; Night-Hawk, in charge of candidates; and three Klokann, board of investigators, auditors and advisers, each of whom shall bear the title of "Klokan." These shall be known as the Exalted Cyclops and his twelve Terrors.

Section 13. The term of office for officers of a Klan shall be for twelve months or until their successors have been elected and installed. Officers of a Klan shall be nominated in the klonklave immediately preceding the anniversary (May 6th) day, and elected at

the klonklave immediately succeeding the anniversary day, each year, and installed in the first klonklave in the month of July.

Section 14. An officer of a Klan elected and who is absent on the night of installation shall be installed at the next klonklave, and if he should be absent from this klonklave, he shall be notified to be present at the next klonklave for installation; then if he fails to present himself and has no providential excuse, his office shall be declared vacant by the Exalted Cyclops and the Klan shall proceed to elect at that klonklave a member to fill that vacancy, and such member elected shall be installed at that klonklave.

Section 15. Officers-elect shall not in any case be installed unless their Klan dues are paid up to and including the calendar quarter of installation and their respective offices shall become vacated, if, at any time, their Klan dues become in arrears, and no Klan installation of officers shall be recognized within the Invisible Empire as being official unless that Klan be in good standing with the Imperial Palace, Realm and Province offices.

Section 16. When a Klan becomes in arrears in payment of its Imperial, Realm or

Provincial tax for a period of one hundred days, its several offices are automatically vacated, its members denied visiting privileges in other Klans, and its acts subsequent thereto are invalid unless the time is extended by the Grand Dragon in organized Realms or the Imperial Wizard in unorganized Realms, either of whom shall have the authority to order a complete audit of this Klan's affairs at the expense of the local Klan. Such Klan shall not be entitled to representation in any Klonverse, Klorero or Imperial Klonvokation. It shall be the duty of all Grand Dragons of Realms and Great Titans of Provinces to file with the Imperial Kligrapp, at least ten days preceding the Klonvokation, a list of all Klans in their respective territories which have paid their realm or Province tax, and the numerical strength of the individual Klans.

Section 17. Immediately upon the election of officers the Kligrapp shall transmit the names of officers-elect to the Great Titan of the Province for ratification. Upon ratifying such officers-elect, the Great Titan shall immediately forward a copy of the list, together with his ratification, to the Grand Dragon of that Realm, who shall in turn file a copy in his office and transmit a copy immediately to

the Imperial Kligrapp. No officer-elect shall be inducted into office unless he be worthy and well qualified to fulfill the duties of that office and his election duly ratified by the Great Titan or Grand Dragon.

Section 18. Klan dues shall be paid in advance. A new member shall begin paying dues the month immediately succeeding the month in which he was naturalized. A member failing to pay his dues for three successive months shall be automatically suspended from the Klan and his name dropped from the roll and he shall be so reported in the next quarterly report. Upon the payment of his arrears he shall be automatically reinstated and shall be so reported by the Kligrapp in his next quarterly report.

Section 19. Each and every member naturalized in this Order must supply himself with a robe and helmet by sending, through his Kligrapp, his measurement and the required fee for same. This robe and helmet shall be his and his only just so long as he is a member of this Order in good standing. Upon his voluntarily quitting this Order, or his being suspended or banished, for any cause, he shall return to the Exalted Cyclops his robe and helmet without delay, along with any other

emblem, insignia or other property of this Order in his possession; all monies such member has paid were accepted as a guarantee of good faith, and same are forfeited by him.

Section 20. A Klan under any and all circumstances shall accord full respect to its charter, and thereby strictly observe the Constitution and Laws, mannerisms, usages and Kloranic (ritualistic) regulations and requirements of this Order as same are promulgated by the Imperial Wizard; and shall give due respect and obedience to all Imperial, Realm and Provincial decrees, edicts, mandates, rulings and instructions issued by the said officers; and failure on the part of a Klan to do so shall be cause for revocation of its charter and the suspension of its entire membership from this Order.

Section 21. A Klan shall meet in klonklave at least once every month and gather promptly at the hour agreed upon. Six members of a Klan shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business at any regular klonklave.

Section 22. Special klonklaves may be held at any time whenever same are deemed necessary by the Exalted Cyclops or when he is

requested to do so by twenty-five per cent of the membership in good standing and ten per cent in cases where the membership in good standing is greater than one thousand; provided, however, in no event under the provisions of this section shall the number required be less than one hundred in Klans having a membership in good standing greater than four hundred. If this meeting is called upon petition in accordance with the provisions of this section, forty per cent of the membership in good standing at the time of such call shall constitute a quorum.

Section 23. In the event the charter of a Klan has been revoked or cancelled for any cause, whatsoever, and in the event of disbandment of a Klan, whether it be a chartered or Provisional Klan, all monies of that Klan in the possession of any officer or member thereof shall automatically become the actual monies of the Imperial Treasury of this Order and same must be freely and promptly turned over, on demand, to the properly accredited officer who is authorized by the Imperial Wizard to receive same in the name of this Order; also all books, papers, manuscripts, Klors, records, seal, Klan paraphernalia, regalia, robes, helmets and any

and all other things used by the Klan, and all articles or things appertaining to this Order as may have been used by or are in the possession of any individual member thereof.

Section 24. A Klan, or member of this Order shall not use the official costume or any part of same on any occasion outside the klavern without permission of the Grand Dragon in organized Realms, or the Imperial Wizard in unorganized States under penalty of forfeiture of their charter or banishment from this Order.

Section 25. No Klan or member shall use the name of this Order or any part thereof for any purpose that contravenes in any manner the laws of the land, that will reflect, or probably reflect, upon the reputation and good name, or compromise, or injure this Order, or any member thereof, in any way.

DUTIES OF KLAN OFFICERS.

ARTICLE XIX.

Section 1. **EXALTED CYCLOPS:** The Exalted Cyclops is the supreme officer of a Klan and its official head. He shall preside over the klonklaves and govern same with dignity, devotion and impartiality. He shall

be faithful in the prompt and efficient discharge of every duty prescribed or implied, incumbent upon him, and fearless without respect to individual persons in the administration of the affairs of his office in promoting the welfare of this Order within the bounds of his Klanton, and he shall set a laudable example to all Klansmen, of patriotism, klanishness, benevolence, love, justice, every respect. He shall require a faithful honor and a devoted loyalty to this Order in observance on the part of all Klansmen within his Klanton of the Constitution, laws, usages, etc., of this Order, and all Imperial, Realm or Province decrees, edicts, mandates, rulings and instructions, and seek to make vital and effective the principles, objects and purposes of this Order. He shall call the Klonklave to order promptly on the hour designated, if there be a quorum present, and see that his Terrors fill their respective offices in an acceptable manner. He shall diligently safeguard the sanctity and dignity of the charter of his Klan and suffer no encroachment thereon, nor any departure therefrom. He shall require the ritualistic work of the Kloran to be exemplified with the highest degree of perfection possible, and he

shall do such other things as may be required of him by the Laws of this Order, the Kloran, the by-laws of his Klan, and faithfully execute all orders and special instructions of the Great Titan, Grand Dragon or the Imperial Wizard.

Section 2. KLALIFF: The Klaliff is the vice-president of his Klan, and he shall preside over the klonklave in the absence of the Exalted Cyclops. He shall preserve order during the deliberations of a klonklave, and otherwise assist the Exalted Cyclops in klonklave assembled and perform such other duties as may be required of him by the Exalted Cyclops, the Kloran and by-laws of his Klan.

Section 3. KLOKARD: The Klokard is the lecturer or instructor and the Klan censor or critic. He shall administer the oaths, deliver the Kloranic lectures, instruct in secret work, do those things commonly required of a critic, and perform such other duties as may be required of him by the Exalted Cyclops, the Kloran and the by-laws of his Klan. He shall be responsible for the proper performance of all ritualistic work within his Klan, and shall disseminate Klancraft throughout his Klanton.

Section 4. KLUDD: The Kludd is the chaplain of the Klan. He shall perform the duties peculiar to his sacred office, and such other duties as may be required of him by the Exalted Cyclops, the Kloran and the by-laws of his Klan. He shall be responsible for such musical programs as may be presented; and for the general spiritual welfare of his Klan.

Section 5. KLIGRAPP: The Kligrapp is the secretary and recording officer of the Klan. He shall keep an accurate and complete record of all the proceedings of his Klan assembled, and a correct and systematic record of its membership, and of the date each member was naturalized, etc., as required by the record book for that purpose. He shall make a report through the proper channels to the proper officers not later than the 10th of the month for the calendar quarter last past on the regular blanks therefor, and with his reports he shall remit to said officer or officers all monies belonging to this Order, such as Imperial Tax, Realm or Provincial Tax, Klec-tokons, monies due for supplies and any and all other monies due and payable to said officers. He shall witness all requisitions made for any article or paraphernalia, regalia, jewelry, or other property of his Order, to be

used by the Klan or a member thereof, and see that the required sum of money is sent therewith. He shall notify all members who are in arrears three months, and shall notify the Imperial Office of the arrears of a member for three months. He shall be the custodian of the seal of the Klan and shall impress it on all papers and documents requiring same, and perform such other duties as may be required of him by the Exalted Cyclops, the Kloran and the by-laws of his Klan.

Section 6. **KLABEE:** The Klabe is the treasurer of the Klan. He shall be the custodian of its funds, and shall receive from the Kligrapp all monies due to be turned over to him, giving his receipt for same, and keeping same apart from his personal funds and secure for the sole use of the Klan. He shall keep an accurate account of all monies received by him, and pay same out only on order of the Klan, signed by the Exalted Cyclops and the Kligrapp, except the monies due by the Klan to the Imperial Realm and Province Officers, which monies do not require action of the Klan, and make a faithful record of such disbursements. He shall make a complete and itemized report of his office to the Klan when same is requested by the Exalted

Cyclops or the Klan, and shall perform such other duties as may be required of him by the Exalted Cyclops and the by-laws of his Klan.

Section 7. KLADD: The Kladd is the conductor of the Klan and the custodian of its paraphernalia and other properties. He shall conduct candidates for naturalization, collect the countersign and pass word at the opening of a klonklave, and perform such other duties as may be required of him by the Exalted Cyclops, the Kloran and the by-laws of his Klan.

Section 8. KLAROGO: The Klarogo is the inner guard of the Klan. He shall keep a diligent watch at the inner door and permit only those to enter the Klavern who are qualified or have the permission of the Exalted Cyclops. If he should be in doubt as to the qualifications of the one seeking admission, he must satisfy himself from the Klaliff or Kligrapp. He shall perform such other duties as may be required of him by the Exalted Cyclops, the Kloran and the by-laws of his Klan.

Section 9. KLEXTER: The Klexter is the outer guard of a Klan. He shall keep a diligent and faithful watch at the outer door, and

allow no one to pass him from the outside except those who are qualified and have permission of the Exalted Cyclops. He shall observe from time to time the outside premises of the Klavern to see that no eavesdroppers or other persons are around, who are liable to obtain information or knowledge concerning the acts or procedure of the klonklave. He shall in no case leave his post of duty unless summoned therefrom by the Exalted Cyclops, and even then, a substitute must be placed in his stead to watch until his return. He shall perform such other duties as may be required of him by the Exalted Cyclops, the Kloran and the by-laws of his Klan.

Section 10. NIGHT HAWK: The Night Hawk is the special courier of the Exalted Cyclops. He shall have charge of and shall entertain the candidate or candidates in the outer den of the klavern until he is signalled to enter the klavern at the beginning of the ceremony of naturalization. He shall carry the Fiery Cross in the ceremony and on all public exhibitions where same is used, and shall perform such other duties as may be required of him by the Exalted Cyclops and the by-laws of his Klan.

Section 11. KLOKANN: The Klokann is the Board of Auditors, Advisors and Trustees, and the investigating committee of the Klan. It shall be composed of three members, each of whom shall bear the title of "Klokan." It shall be their duty to audit the books and records of the Kligrapp and the Klabee in the month of June each year, and oftener if so required by the Klan in writing. They shall see that all paraphernalia, regalia and other property of the Klan and of this Order is properly kept, and shall perform such other duties as may be required of them by the Exalted Cyclops and the by-laws of their Klan. Said Klokann may select such assistants as in their judgment seems necessary.

Section 12. An officer of a Klan who allows himself to get in arrears for three months, or who absents himself from three consecutive klonklaves without a providential excuse, or who fails to master his part of the kloranic work within sixty days after he is placed in office, shall forfeit all rights, prerogatives and honors of his office; the Exalted Cyclops must declare his office vacant and will at once appoint a successor thereto. If the Exalted Cyclops shall be guilty of negligence as above, the Klan in klonklave shall demand his res-

agnation and whether tendered by him or not, they shall proceed to elect his successor at the following klonklave if he is not present to apologize to the Klan and take up his duties of office.

Section 13. The Grand Dragon or the Great Titan shall have the power to remove any officer of a local Klan for cause, but must immediately report said removal to the Tribunal of the Realm, whose duty it shall be to immediately pass on the correctness of his act. If he is sustained the Klan shall proceed to elect a successor to the officer removed; if he is not sustained, the officer removed resumes the duties of his office. This applies in Realms that have perfected Realm organizations. In all other jurisdictions this power is vested in the Imperial Wizard, who shall report same to the Imperial Klouncilium for review in the same manner as above set forth.

OFFENSES AND PENALTIES.

ARTICLE XX.

Section 1. Offenses against this Order shall be divided into two classes—major offenses and minor offenses.

Proclaim to the World

That we are dedicated to the sublime duty of providing generous aid, tender sympathy and fraternal assistance amid fortune and misfortune in the effulgent light of life and amid the sable shadows of death; and to the exalted privilege of demonstrating the practical utility of the great (yet most neglected), doctrine of the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of man as a vital force in the lives and affairs of men.

We invite all men who can qualify to become citizens of the Invisible Empire to approach the portal of our beneficent domain, join us in our noble work of extending its boundaries, and in disseminating the gospel of "Klankraft," thereby encouraging, conserving, protecting and making vital the fraternal relationship in the practice of an honorable clannishness; to share with us the glory of performing the sacred duty of protecting womanhood; to maintain forever the God-given supremacy of the white race; to commemorate the holy and chivalric achievements of our fathers; to safeguard the sacred rights, privileges and institutions of our Civil Government; to bless mankind and to keep eter-

nally ablaze the sacred fire of a fervent devotion to a pure Americanism.

The Invisible Empire is founded on sterling character, and immutable principles based upon sacred sentiment and cemented by noble purposes. It is promoted by a sincere, unselfish devotion of the souls of men, and is governed by their consecrated intelligence. It is the soul of chivalry, virtue's impenetrable shield; and the devout impulse of an unconquered race.

DONE IN THE AULIC OF HIS MAJESTY, the Emperor of the Invisible Empire, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, in the Imperial Palace, in the Imperial City of Atlanta, Commonwealth of Georgia, United States of America.



This the 29th day of November, Anno Domini, Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-two Anno Klan LVI.

William Joseph Simmons
IMPERIAL WIZARD

KU KLUX KREED.

(Original Creed Revised)

We, the Order of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, reverentially acknowledge the majesty and supremacy of Almighty God and recognize His goodness and providence through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Recognizing our relation to the government of the United States of America, the Supremacy of its Constitution, the Union of States thereunder, and the Constitutional Laws thereof, we shall ever be devoted to the sublime principles of a pure Americanism, and valiant in the defense of its ideals and institutions.

We avow the distinction between the races of mankind as decreed by the Creator, and we shall ever be true to the maintenance of White Supremacy and strenuously oppose any compromise thereof.

We appreciate the value of practical, fraternal relationship among men of kindred thought, purpose and ideals and the infinite benefits accruing therefrom; we shall faithfully devote ourselves to the practice of an honorable clannishness that the life of each may be a constant blessing to others.

"NON SILBA SED ANTHAR."

PREAMBLE.

We, the members of this Order, citizens and probationers of the Invisible Empire, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, in order to insure unity of organization; to guarantee an effective form of government; to perpetuate our great institution through patriotic and fraternal achievements; to preserve forever its holy principles; to continue and make vital its spiritual purposes; to achieve its laudable objects; to attain its lofty ideals; to consummate its mission and to promote effectively all things set forth in The Imperial Proclamation herein; do declare this Constitution of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, in lieu of the original Prescript of the Ku Klux Klan, as the supreme law of this Society, and pledge our voice, our loyalty, our manhood and our sacred honor to enforce the same. In our endeavor toward the faithful fulfillment of this, our honorable mission, we solemnly invoke the guidance and blessings of Almighty God in behalf of our country, our homes, our race and each other, now, and unto generations yet unborn.

APPELLATION AND GOVERNMENT.

ARTICLE I

Section 1. To the name of this Society, Ku Klux Klan, has been prefixed the words "Knight of the," and therefore forever hereafter it shall be known as "KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN," and is hereinafter referred to as, "This Order." It is, and shall continue to be, a Patriotic, Military, Benevolent, Ritualistic, Social and Fraternal Order or Society.

Section 2. The government of this Order shall ever be military in character, especially in its executive management and control; and no legislative enactment or constitutional amendment hereafter shall encroach upon, affect or change this fundamental principle of the Invisible Empire.

Section 3. The government of this Order shall be vested primarily in the Imperial Wizard, as Commander-in-Chief, who shall be supreme within the restrictions of this constitution, and as otherwise provided, and whose decisions, decrees, edicts, mandates, rulings and instructions shall be of full authority and unquestionably recognized and respected by each and every citizen of the Invisible Empire.

OBJECTS AND PURPOSES.

ARTICLE II.

Section 1. The objects of this Order shall be to unite white male persons, native-born Gentile citizens of the United States of America, who owe no allegiance of any nature or degree to any foreign government, nation, institution, sect, ruler, person or people; whose morals are good; whose reputations and vocations are respectable; whose habits are exemplary; who are of sound minds and eighteen years or more of age, under a common oath into a brotherhood of strict regulations; to cultivate and promote patriotism toward our Civil Government; to practice an honorable clannishness toward each other; to exemplify a practical benevolence; to shield the sanctity of the home and the chastity of womanhood; to maintain forever white supremacy, to teach and faithfully inculcate a high spiritual philosophy through an exalted ritualism, and by a practical devotion to conserve, protect and maintain the distinctive institutions, rights, privileges, principles, traditions and ideals of a pure Americanism.

Section 2. To create and maintain an institution by which the present and succeeding

generations shall commemorate the great sacrifice, chivalric service and imperishable achievement of the "Ku Klux Klan of the Reconstruction period of American History," to the end that justice and honor be done the sacred memory of those who wrought through our mystic society during that period, and that their valiant accomplishments be not lost to posterity; to perpetuate their faithful courage, noble spirit, peerless principles and faultless ideals; to hold sacred and make effective their spiritual purpose in this and future generations; that they be rightly vindicated before the world by a revelation of the whole truth.

Section 3. This Order is an institution of Chivalry, Humanity, Justice and Patriotism; embodying in its genius and principles all that is chivalric in conduct, noble in sentiment, generous in manhood, and patriotic in purpose. Its peculiar objects are: First, to protect the weak, the innocent, and the defenseless from the indignities, wrongs and outrages of the lawless, the violent and the brutal; to relieve the injured and the oppressed; to succor the suffering and unfortunate, especially widows and orphans. Second, to protect and defend the Constitution

of the United States of America, and all laws passed in conformity thereto, and to protect the States and the people thereof from all invasion of their rights from any source whatsoever. Third, to aid and assist in the execution of all constitutional laws, and to preserve the honor and dignity of the State by opposing tyranny, in any and every form or degree, from any and every source whatsoever, by a fearless and faithful administration of justice through due process of law; and to meet promptly and properly every behest of Duty without fear and without reproach.

TERRITORIAL JURISDICTIONS AND ASSEMBLIES.

ARTICLE III

Section 1. THE INVISIBLE EMPIRE: The phrase "Invisible Empire" in a material sense denotes the universal geographical jurisdiction of this Order and it shall embrace the whole world. The convention of the Invisible Empire shall be known as the Imperial Kloukation. The phrase "Invisible Empire" in a spiritual sense applies to all the secrets and secret knowledge and information, secret work and working and things of this Order,

and to all that has been, to all that now is and to all that is to be, the past, the present and the future, yesterday, today and forever; the dead of yesterday, the living of today and the contemplated of tomorrow, of the life that now is and of that which is to come.

Section 2. In a material sense, the territorial division of the Invisible Empire into a subordinate jurisdiction shall be known as a "Realm," and same shall embrace a State or States or a territorial possession of the United States of America, and shall derive its designation from that State or Territory which it embraces, and its number shall be given it in order of its formation. The convention of a Realm shall be known as the "Klorero."

Section 3. A territorial division of a Realm shall be known as a "Province," and shall embrace a county or a number of counties of a State. Provinces shall be designated by number. The convention of a Province shall be known as the "Klonverse."

Section 4. A "Klan" is the unit of this Order; it is the local or subordinate body, lodge, or organization, and its territorial jurisdiction shall be known as the "Klanton" which shall extend in all directions to a distance midway between the location of the Klan and the

nearest Klan thereto, except as otherwise designated by the Imperial Wizard or Grand Dragon of a Realm. The boundaries of a Klanton shall be fixed, so far as is possible, but, on the delivery of the Klan charter. A convention or an assembly of a Klan in secret session shall be known as the "Klonklave."

Section 5. All things and matters which do not exist within this Order or are not authorized by or do not come under its jurisdiction shall be designated as the "Alien World." All persons who are not members of this Order shall be designated as "Aliens."

MEMBERSHIP.

ARTICLE IV.

Section 1. The qualifications for membership in this Order shall be: An applicant must be a white male Gentile person, a native-born citizen of the United States of America who owes no allegiance of any nature or degree whatsoever to any foreign government, nation, institution, sect, ruler, prince, potentate, people or person; he must have attained the age of eighteen years, be of sound mind, good character, of commendable reputation and respectable vocation, a believer in the tenets of the Christian Religion, and one whose

allegiance, loyalty and devotion to the Government of the United States of America in all things is unquestionable. He must be a resident within the jurisdiction of the Klan to which he applies, for at least twelve months immediately preceding the date of his application for citizenship, provided, however, that special dispensation may be granted by the Grand Dragon of that Realm in organized Realms, or by the Imperial Wizard in unorganized States, to waive this condition.

Section 2. Applications for membership in this Order must be on a regular charter petition by charter applicants of a Klan, and on a regular application blank after a Klan has been chartered. The applicant must state whether he ever has applied for membership in this Order, and such application made to a chartered Klan must be endorsed by at least two Klansmen, or by a Kleagle or by the Imperial Wizard of this Order.

Section 3. The "Klectokon" (initiation fee) is given by an applicant and accepted by this Order as a donation to its propagation and general fund and not in the sense of purchasing membership in this Order by the applicant, and this donation must accompany each application for citizenship. The Klec-

token is a sum of money of not less than Ten (\$10.00) Dollars, nor more than Twenty-five (\$25.00) Dollars.

Section 4. All men who served as members of the Original Ku Klux Klan or rendered distinct service thereto, or who were so connected with similar organizations during the Reconstruction period of American history shall be admitted to full fellowship in this Order without payment of Klectokon or dues; provided, however, they individually qualify for membership under the requirements of Section 1, or this Article.

Section 5. An applicant's qualifications must be known before he is accepted for membership in this Order. Great care must be exercised on the part of a Kleagle or a Klan in ascertaining an applicant's qualifications under Section 1, of this Article.

EMPEROR OF THE INVISIBLE EMPIRE, HIS DUTIES AND PRIVILEGES.

ARTICLE V.

Section 1. The Emperor of the Invisible Empire shall have entire charge of Kloranic, Ritualistic and Philosophic work of this Or-

der, and he shall be an ex-officio member of all Imperial, Grand, Great and Klan bodies. His term of office shall be for life.

Section 2. In the event of a vacancy in his office, his successor shall be called and installed by the Grand Dragons of the various Realms, in the same manner as set forth in Article IX of this constitution.

Section 3. He shall create and cause to be promulgated all countersigns, pass words, ritualistic or kloranic work and secret signs, symbols and work of this Order. He shall design, or cause to be designed, all paraphernalia, regalia, uniforms, costumes, emblems, insignia, flags, banners, and jewelry for individual wear, honorary and official jewels, books, pamphlets and literature of this Order. All costumes, designs, symbols or other insignia officially adopted by this Order, whether created by him or not, shall be recognized as official, and shall be received by the members of this Order.

Section 4. He shall have the sole power to create all titles and honors within this Order on whomsoever he may elect, and shall issue and sign all certificates or diplomas relative thereto, and cause to be affixed thereon the great Imperial Seal of the Order.

THE IMPERIAL KLONVOKATION.

ARTICLE VI.

Section 1. The Imperial Klonvokation shall be the sole legislative body of this Order; therefore, it shall have original jurisdiction in all matters pertaining to creating and amending this Constitution and Laws, the regulation, government and general welfare of this Order. It shall have power to enact laws for the regulation of its own procedure, for the government of the Invisible Empire, Realms, Provinces and Klans, and for the general control and management of the business of this Order, and to provide penalties for the violation thereof. It shall have power to prescribe the rights, privileges, duties, and responsibilities of the Realms, Provinces and Klans, and of all officers and members of this Order, and finally to determine the same. The Imperial Klonvokation shall meet biennially in the month of September on day and at place to be fixed by the Imperial Wizard.

Section 2. The Imperial Klonvokation shall be composed of all Imperial Officers, the Grand Dragons and an elected delegate (Klepeer) from each organized Realm; the Great Titan,

and an elected delegate (Klepeer) from each Province. (Exalted Cyclops from Klans that are in good standing by reason of having paid all Imperial, Realm and Province taxes shall be entitled to one vote each therein, which cannot be delegated, and which shall be deducted from the total vote of their Realm). Each organized Realm (State) represented in the Klonvokation shall be entitled to one vote for each One Hundred or majority fraction thereof of Klansmen in good standing in that Realm at the end of the calendar quarter next preceding the meeting of the Imperial Klonvokation as shown by the records of the Imperial Palace. The Total vote of each Realm, after deducting the vote of the Exalted Cyclops present thus determined shall be equally divided among the representatives present at the Klonvocation. States not organized into Realms shall be entitled to one representative for each state who shall be elected by the Chartered Klans thereof and shall have same voting power as in Realms. Provided, however, that in no event shall the conditions of this section operate to increase the basis of representation for a State or Realm as hereinafter provided in this section of Article VI of the Constitution and Laws.

Courtesy cards may be issued entitling the holders of same to a seat outside the boundaries of the regular Klepeers' seats, the holders of the courtesy privilege, however, having no voting privilege and must be members in good standing, in Klans in good standing in the Imperial, Realm and Province funds.

Section 3. The active officers of the Imperial Klönvokation in convention assembled shall be a president and a secretary. The Imperial Kläliff shall be its president and the Imperial Kligrapp shall be its secretary and recording officer. Other Imperial Officers may act as chairmen of Committees, or constitute committees. All acts of the Klönvokation shall become effective within one hour after their passage unless vetoed by the Imperial Wizard within that time, in which event the Klönvokation may pass the act over the veto of the Imperial Wizard by three-fourths ($\frac{3}{4}$) vote of the said Klönvokation.

THE IMPERIAL KLONCILIUM.

ARTICLE VII

Section 1. The Imperial Klöncilium shall be the supreme advisory board of this Order and shall be composed of all the Imperial Officers named in Article VIII.

Section 2. The Imperial Kloucilium shall be the Supreme Tribunal of Justice of this Order and shall have full appellate jurisdiction to hear and finally determine all appeals of whatever nature presented to it affecting the relationship and constitutional rights and privileges of Realms and Provinces, and Klans and members of this Order in unorganized states.

Section 3. It shall have full power and authority, acting in the presence of the Imperial Wizard or his authorized representative, to act in the interim between sessions of the Imperial Klouvolation.

Section 4. It shall meet in regular session in the month of July each year on call of the Imperial Wizard, but special sessions may be held at any other time on call of the Imperial Wizard when same is deemed necessary by him or when he is requested in writing to do so by five members thereof.

Section 5. Nine members present, in person or by proxy, of the Imperial Kloucilium, including the Imperial Wizard, or his authorized representative, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of all matters coming before it, except where otherwise provided herein.

Section 6. Decisions of the Imperial Kloucilium on all matters of a judiciary nature coming before it for adjudication shall be final when same are ratified by the Imperial Wizard.

Section 7. Between the meetings of the Imperial Kloucilium, whenever, in the judgment of the Imperial Wizard, it shall become necessary for it to consider any matter or thing whatsoever, he may submit the matter to the members of the Imperial Kloucilium in writing by mail or otherwise, and their votes thereon shall be cast in writing by mail or otherwise within a time limit to be fixed by the Imperial Wizard.

Section 8. The Imperial Kligrapp shall be the Secretary and recording officer of the Imperial Kloucilium.

IMPERIAL OFFICERS.

ARTICLE VIII.

Section 1. Hereafter the Imperial officers of this Order shall be sixteen in number, and their official titles shall be as follows:

The Imperial Wizard (Supreme Chief Executive).

Imperial Klaliff (Supreme 1st Vice-Pres.).

Imperial Klazik (Supreme 2nd Vice-Pres.).

Imperial Klokard (Supreme Lecturer).
Imperial Kludd (Supreme Chaplain).
Imperial Kligrapp (Supreme Secretary).
Imperial Klabee (Supreme Treasurer).
Imperial Kladd (Supreme Conductor).
Imperial Klarogo (Supreme Inner-Guard).
Imperial Klexter (Supreme Outer-Guard).
Imperial Klonsel (Supreme Attorney).
Imperial Night-Hawk (Supreme Courier).
and four Imperial Klokann (Constituting a
Board of Auditors and supreme advisors).
These shall be known as the Imperial
Wizard and his fifteen GENII.

IMPERIAL WIZARD.

ARTICLE IX.

Section 1. The Imperial Wizard is the supreme chief executive of this Order. He shall be elected by the Grand Dragons. To elect the Imperial Wizard, the Grand Dragons shall meet in executive session upon the call of the Imperial Kligrapp. Each Grand Dragon shall cast as his vote the number of votes representing his Realm, in the Klönvokation as shown by the records of the Imperial Palace on the first day of the quarter on which election is held; this vote

to be ascertained in the same manner as set forth in Section V, Article 6. If no result is determined after three ballots all names must be dropped except the three receiving the highest number of votes; if no result is determined at the end of three more ballots, all names must be dropped except the two receiving the highest number of votes. No nomination shall be made. No motions except a motion to recess shall be entertained during said election. No adjournment shall be taken until after the completion of the election. Any Klansman in good standing in any Klan in good standing as determined by the records of the Imperial Palace is eligible to be chosen Imperial Wizard. While the Grand Dragons are in session for the purpose of electing an Imperial Wizard, they are prohibited from having any communication of any nature whatsoever with anyone outside of their meeting from the time they are called to order until they have finally elected an Imperial Wizard.

Section 2. The Imperial Wizard shall hold office for a period of four years or until his successor is elected and installed. He shall be removed for just cause by the Imperial Kloucilium after charges have been preferred

and a trial held, upon a three-fourths vote of said body, in session assembled, subject to the approval of the Grand Dragons who shall be immediately convened in executive session by the Imperial Kligrapp.

Section 3. Upon the death or removal of the Imperial Wizard from office, the Imperial Klaliff shall immediately succeed to that office and shall govern until a successor to the Imperial Wizard is installed. In the event the Imperial Wizard is removed from office, a successor shall be named at the earliest possible date thereafter, consistent with careful judgment in the selection.

DUTIES, PREROGATIVES AND POWERS OF THE IMPERIAL WIZARD.

ARTICLE X.

Section 1. Being the Supreme Chief Executive of this Order, the Imperial Wizard shall have and hold supreme authority and power within this Constitution in all administrative matters, and to act in any and all matters not prescribed in this Constitution, when in his judgment the best interest of this Order warrants. He may delegate such authority to his subordinate executives or administra-

tive officers as he may deem necessary, but the Imperial Authority of this Order shall ever center and be vested in him and shall not be divided.

Section 2. He shall specify the duties of all officers regardless of rank or station, of whatever department, bureau, or division, other than those duties enumerated in this Constitution, and shall require such duties to be properly performed on penalty of removal from office.

Section 3. He shall issue charters for Klans, specify conditions on which charters shall be issued, and shall have the power to open and close charters of Klans in his discretion or upon request of a Klan. He shall have full and unchallengeable authority and power to suspend or revoke charters of Klans, for cause.

Section 4. He shall promulgate all countersigns and passwords, and any and all other secret signs and work of this Order, created by the Emperor.

Section 5. He shall have supreme supervision over all departments of this Order.

Section 6. He shall have full authority to issue decrees, edicts, mandates, rulings and instructions covering any matter not spe-

cifically set forth in this Constitution, or emphasizing any matter of this Constitution, and all such decrees, edicts, mandates, rulings and instructions must be respected and obeyed promptly and faithfully by all members of this Order on penalty of banishment.

Section 7. He shall manufacture, or cause to be manufactured, all paraphernalia, regalia, uniforms, costumes, emblems, insignia, flags, banners, jewelry for individual wear, jewels for official use, clerical forms, books, pamphlets, literature, advertising matter stationery, etc., etc., and no other design, emblem, insignia or form or thing, article or articles shall be recognized, countenanced or used by this Order or any member of same. All designs, emblems or other insignia officially adopted by the Emperor whether created by him or not, shall be recognized as official and duly respected by all members of this Order.

Section 8. He shall request of the Imperial Klonvokation such legislation as he deems wise for the best interest of this Order in its government, regulation and promulgation.

Section 9. He shall have full power and authority to remove from office at any time any officer of this Order, other than an Im-

perial Officer, of any rank or station or capacity, or any employee whomsoever, on the ground of incompetency, disloyalty, neglect of duty, or for unbecoming conduct.

Section 10. He shall have full authority and power to appoint all Imperial Officers and Grand Dragons, and their terms of office shall be designated by him unless otherwise provided for herein.

Section 11. He shall have and hold full and original authority and power, office and title of "Supreme Kléagle," and is fully authorized and empowered to solicit applicants for membership in this Order, to collect and receipt for Kléctokons, and admit to membership, in this Order, any person or any number of persons at any time and in any place he may choose, provided such person or persons qualify under the requirements of Article IV, Section 1, of this Constitution.

Section 12. He shall issue and sign all commissions or other credentials of this order in promulgating same, and affix the Imperial Seal thereto; and he shall contract, in the name of this Order, with other members for its extension, financing, management, operation and business interests, and shall fix the compensation therefor.

Section 13. Whenever a question of paramount importance to the interest, well-being or prosperity of this Order arises, not provided for in this Constitution, he shall have full power and authority to determine such question, and his decision, which he shall report to the Imperial Klönvokation if requested, shall be final.

DUTIES OF IMPERIAL OFFICERS.

ARTICLE XI.

Section 1 IMPERIAL KLALIFF: Is the second highest officer of this Order; he shall be the president of the Imperial Klönvokation, and perform such other duties as may be required by the Imperial Wizard.

Section 2. IMPERIAL KLAZIK: Is the second vice-president of this Order, and he shall be the executive head of the department of Realms, and shall perform such other duties as may be required by the Imperial Wizard.

Section 3. IMPERIAL KLOKARD: The duties of the Imperial Klokard shall be to disseminate Klankraft, and perform such duties as may be required by the Imperial Wizard.

Section 4. IMPERIAL KLUDD: Is the Chaplain of the Imperial Klonyokation and shall perform such other duties as may be required by the Imperial Wizard.

Section 5. IMPERIAL KLIGRAPP: Is the Supreme Secretary and recording officer of this Order. He shall be in charge of secretarial work and shall be the custodian of the Imperial records and the Imperial Seal. He shall receive and receipt for all funds coming from any source whatsoever. He shall transmit all such funds in his possession to the Imperial Klabeer (Supreme Treasurer) at the close of each day, taking his receipt therefor. He shall be the secretary of the Imperial Klonyokation and shall act as secretary of the Imperial Klonyokation and shall have general supervision of all the clerical work and workings. He shall keep an accurate account of the receipts and disbursements. He shall sign all papers, vouchers and other documents requiring his signature or attestation. He shall prepare and submit a report of the workings of his office to each session of the Imperial Klonyokation. He shall furnish the Imperial Klonyokation when requested with such information as they desire with reference to his office. He shall give bond for the faithful and

honest performance of the duties of his office in some reliable bonding or surety company in the sum of \$25,000.00, the said bond to be approved by the Imperial Kloucilium. He shall not assume the duties of his office until all these requirements are complied with.

Section 6. IMPERIAL KLABEE: Is the Supreme Treasurer of this Order and is, therefore, the custodian of its funds. It shall be his duty to demand of the Imperial Kligrapp at the close of each day all funds received by the Imperial Kligrapp and he shall receipt the Imperial Kligrapp therefor, and make a deposit of funds once each day in some bank or banks, designated by the Imperial Kloucilium. These funds shall be carried in the name of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan and shall be paid out only upon the signature of the Imperial Klabee, countersigned by the Imperial Wizard. He shall keep an accurate record of all receipts and disbursements made by him, and shall make a full and complete report of the receipts and disbursements of his office to the Imperial Kloucilium at its regular annual meeting, and to the Imperial Kloukation at its regular meeting. He shall perform such other duties as may be required of him by the Imperial Wiz-

ard. For the faithful and honest performance of his duties he shall give bond in some bonding or surety company to be approved by the Imperial Kloucilium in a sum not less than \$50,000.00. The amount of this bond may be increased at any time by the Imperial Kloucilium.

Section 7. IMPERIAL KLADD: Shall perform such duties as may be required of him by the Imperial Wizard.

Section 8. IMPERIAL KLAROGO: Is inner guard at all Imperial Kloucilium and Imperial Kloukation meetings and shall perform such other duties as may be required by the Imperial Wizard.

Section 9. IMPERIAL KLEXTER: Is outer guard at all meetings of the Imperial Kloucilium and Imperial Kloukation, and shall perform such other duties as may be required by the Imperial Wizard.

Section 10. IMPERIAL KLONSEL: Is Supreme Attorney or legal advisor of this Order and shall perform such other duties as may be required by the Imperial Wizard.

Section 11. IMPERIAL NIGHT-HAWK: Is the head of the department of Investigation, and shall perform such other duties as may be required by the Imperial Wizard.

Section 12. THE IMPERIAL KLOKANN: Is the Supreme Board of Auditors and Special Advisors. It shall be composed of four members, each of whom shall bear the official title of "Imperial Klokann." The chairman of this board shall be known as "Chief Imperial Klokann." The duties of this Board shall be to audit the books, records and reports of the Imperial Kligrapp and the Imperial Kiabee and the clerical records of this Order, and to make a written report at each regular session of the Imperial Klönvokation and the Imperial Klönzilium. It shall recommend to the Imperial Wizard such plans and methods as it deems wise for the welfare of this Order, and it shall perform such other duties as may be required of it, and each member thereof, individually, shall perform such other duties as may be required of him by the Imperial Wizard.

KLEAGLES AND GIANTS.

ARTICLE XII.

Section 1. A Kleagle is an organizer or field worker of this Order, and shall be appointed only by or under the direct or delegated authority of the Imperial Wizard, and

shall work by and under his requirements and instructions.

Section 2. The Imperial Wizard, being by virtue of his office the Supreme Kleagle, shall have full power and authority to commission and appoint members of this Order as Kleagles, and he shall have full power to remove from office any Kleagle of any rank, grade or station whatsoever.

Section 3. All authority, power, privileges and prerogatives that may be vested in, or conferred upon the office of Kleagle of any rank below the Supreme Kleagle shall be derived from the Supreme Kleagle and delegated by him only, and same must be evidenced by a documentary commission setting forth such authority and power so delegated.

Section 4. Kleagles of whatever rank below the Supreme Kleagle shall be employed under contract stipulations, and they shall give bond in some reliable bonding or security company in such amount as may be required by the Imperial Wizard.

Section 5. Kleagles of whatever rank, grade, or station must thoroughly familiarize themselves with the Kloran, laws, principals, objects, history, usages and mannerism; of

this Order, and must be able to demonstrate same in an intelligent and proficient manner.

Section 6. The title of Giant may apply by gradation to all officers who have served one or more terms as the chief executive officer of the Invisible Empire and of subordinate jurisdictions thereof. A Klan Giant is one who has served as Exalted Cyclops; a Great Giant is one who has served as Great Titan; a Grand Giant is one who has served as Grand Dragon; an Imperial Giant is one who has served as Imperial Wizard. The title is not conferred on an officer until his successor has been duly installed. The title Giant shall in all cases be conferred upon the recommendation of the next officer above in rank. This honorary title shall be conferred in recognition of regular and faithful services performed as prescribed by the Constitution and Laws of this Order. The Grand Dragon of a Realm shall, at all times, keep in his office a list of the Giants in that Realm and shall, whenever possible, use such Giants for special service.

PARAPHERNALIA, REGALIA, EMBLEMS, ENSIGNS, INSIGNIA, ETC.

ARTICLE XIII.

Section 1. All ensigns, standards, flags or banners, and all emblems, insignia, paraphernalia, regalia, uniforms, and costumes, and all designs thereof of our original Society—the Ku Klux Klan—are retained and officially re-adopted as property of this order under its now incorporate name of Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

Section 2. All designs, ensigns, flags, standards, banners, emblems, insignia, seals, paraphernalia, regalia, uniforms, costumes, etc., and all clerical forms or matters to be printed, shall be adapted by or designed by or under the directions of the Emperor only.

Section 3. All articles, designs and things referred to or implied in Sections 1 and 2, above, and Article X, Section 10, of this constitution, and all property, real and personal, shall ever be and remain the property of this Order and such supplies can only be procured from the Imperial Wizard by the required requisition therefor, and this also shall apply to all supplies used by any subordinate juris-

diction, and any and all jewelry or other articles used by a member.

Section 4. Any article or thing, regardless of form, or of what material it shall be made, or for what purpose it shall be made, or to what use it shall be subjected, if it bears an emblem or an insignia of this Order, shall belong to and is the property of this order; and such articles or things cannot legally bear an emblem, insignia, or design of this Order without written authority of the Imperial Wizard, and can only be procured through him, and can be used only by a member or by such person or persons properly coming under the protection of this Order by authority of the Imperial Wizard. If such article or thing or other property be intrusted to or permitted to be in the possession of a member, or other person, as set forth above, it must be surrendered on official demand by an Exalted Cyclops or the Imperial Wizard. If a member has in his possession any article of property of this Order, and voluntarily discontinues his membership, or is banished from membership, or in any other manner his connection with this Order is severed, such article or articles, thing or things, must be immediately returned or surrendered by him to an Exalted

Cyclops, Great Titan, Grand Dragon, or to the Imperial Wizard, and he shall be given a receipt for same. Upon his failure to do so within thirty days the Exalted Cyclops or other officer shall take action necessary to regain the actual possession of such article or articles. All rights, privileges and use of all such designs, emblems, insignia, etc., cited or implied above, are strictly reserved by this Order.

Section 5. It shall be unlawful for any person or persons, company, firm or corporation, to manufacture or cause to be manufactured, catalog or cause to be cataloged, advertise or cause to be advertised, sell or offer for sale or cause same to be done, any article or design whatsoever of this Order, or anything used by or properly belonging to this Order, unless such person or persons, company, firm or corporation, be duly licensed by the Imperial Wizard to manufacture, advertise or sell such article, designs or things, and even then, only by a strict adherence to the conditions, restrictions and directions specified in said license.

Section 6. It shall be unlawful for any member of this Order to purchase, cause to be purchased, or otherwise come into posses-

sion of any article or property of this Order from any person, company, firm or corporation, without authority to do so from the Imperial Wizard; he can procure such article from the Imperial Wizard only by making requisition therefor, and remitting the amount of money required. It shall be unlawful for any subordinate jurisdiction to procure any article or property of this Order, or any supplies, etc., used by it from any other source than the Imperial Wizard, or by his authority.

Section 7. If an unauthorized person shall have in his possession any article, or property of this Order, and this fact shall become known to a member, it shall be the sworn duty of such member to regain for this Order the actual possession of such article without delay; his failure to do so will jeopardize his membership.

COSTUMES, SEALS, ENSIGNS, SYMBOLS, ETC.

ARTICLE XIV.

Section 1. **KLAN PARAPHERNALIA:** Shall consist of altar furnishings as per

Kloran, and such account books, forms and other things as are necessary.

Section 2. COSTUMES: The official costume of this Order, shall be a white robe of light weight cotton cloth, made with cape of same material, and of proper length, with white girdle around waist, and insignia of this Order worn on the left breast. The cowl or helmet shall be made of same material as the robe, and with whatever material necessary to give it the proper stiffness, and so made that it will be collapsible, and when worn shall be of a cone shape. There shall be one red tassel attached to the peak of same. There shall be an apron of the same material in both the front and rear, so as to completely conceal the identity of the wearer. The front apron shall have two holes of the proper size and location to facilitate the vision of the wearer. This shall be known as the Klansman's robe or costume. Costumes to be worn by active officers, of whatever rank or station, shall be of such design, and made of such material, and with the use of such colors, as may be prescribed by the Emperor.

Section 3. EMBLEMS AND SYMBOLS:

Shall be such as may be designated or authorized by the Emperor.

Section 4. ENSIGNS, FLAGS AND STANDARDS: The official ensigns, flags, and standards of this Order, together with all official banners, shall be of such shape, size and design as may be authorized by the Emperor.

Section 5. THE GRAND ENSIGN: The "Grand Ensign" or Banner of this Order shall be in the form of an isosceles triangle, five feet long and three feet wide at the staff. The material shall be yellow, with a red scalloped border about three inches in width. There shall be painted upon it in black, A Dracovolans, or Flying Dragon, with the following motto inscribed on it: "Quod Semper, quod ubique, quod ab omnibus." The tongue shall be painted in red with an arrow head end. The tail shall also end with an arrow head.

Section 6. SEAL: There shall be a Seal of this Order, which shall be known as the Great Imperial Seal. It shall bear the words, "Imperial Seal—Knights of the Ku Klux Klan," and shall be of such design as the Emperor shall direct. Each chartered Klan of this Order shall have a Seal bearing the

name, number, and Realm of the Klan, together with the name of this Order, "Knights of the Ku Klux Klan," and shall be of such design as directed by the Emperor. This Seal must be procured by the Klan immediately after it shall have been chartered. Seals to be used by the various subordinate jurisdictions shall bear the name—"Knights of the Ku Klux Klan," and be of such design as the Emperor may direct.

Section 7. KLIKON AND SYMBOLS: The Klikon is the Sacred Picture of this Order, and as such must be rigidly safeguarded by whatever Klan or Klansman to whom it may be intrusted. The various symbols of this Order, used in its several Kloranic Orders, shall be such as are designed and authorized by the Emperor.

REVENUES AND PROPERTY TITLES.

ARTICLE XV.

Section 1. The revenues of this Order shall consist of: First, a percentage of each and every klectokon, whether paid to a klan or to a Kleagle; such percentage to be determined by the Imperial Wizard. Second, a per capita

tax, which shall be known as the Imperial Tax; which shall be a sum of money not to exceed fifteen (15c) cents per capita per month. Third, all profits realized from the placing of paraphernalia, regalia, supplies, jewelry, uniforms, costumes, stationery, and any and all other articles used in the work of this Order or by any member. Fourth, all interest accruing on investments made by this Order.

Section 2. The Imperial Tax shall begin with the month immediately succeeding the month in which a Klan is chartered, and is due and payable on the first day of each calendar quarter thereafter; the Kligrapp of each Klan shall remit the same with his regular quarterly report—his failure to do so will subject the charter of that Klan to suspension or cancellation. The Imperial Tax is hereby levied upon each and every Klan now chartered and which may be hereafter chartered, and the Imperial Wizard has full authority and power to collect same.

Section 3. The revenues of a Realm shall consist of: First, such portion of the Imperial revenue received from that Realm as may be fixed by proclamation of the Imperial Wizard. Second, a per capita tax, to be known as a

Province Tax, in such amount as the Klonverse of each Province may determine, in no case to be less than 8 1-3 cents per month.

REALMS.

ARTICLE XVI.

Section 1. A Realm may be organized within a state or states of the United States, or other territorial sub-division when recommended by a committee of three Realm Officers from other States appointed by the Imperial Klazik for that purpose.

Section 2. A Realm is organized on the declaration of the Imperial Wizard, and with such declaration he shall appoint and name all officers thereof and shall furnish laws and regulations for the government of that Realm, and such appointment of officers and such laws if not in conflict with this Constitution, shall be effective until the convention of the initial Klorero of that Realm after its organization; at which time the Klorero will proceed to elect all of its elective officers, and adopt laws for the government of that Realm, but such laws adopted and such elections held shall not be inconsistent with this Constitution and the laws of this Order. Such laws

and amendments of laws adopted at this time or at any future Klorero must be ratified by the Grand Dragon and the Imperial Wizard before the same become effective as law.

Section 3. The Klorero of a Réalm shall be composed of all Grand Officers of provinces within that Realm, and five Kleepers from each Province in said Realm. Grand Officers, Great Titans and Great Officers shall be entitled to one vote each. The five Kleepers shall be entitled to one vote for each one hundred Klansmen or major fraction thereof in good standing within the province that they represent, said Kleepers present to divide this vote equally. Exalted Cyclops shall have the same voting rights, and under the same conditions as in the Klonvokation.

Section 4. The Klorero shall possess no power to interfere with the Imperial Wizard in his plans and purposes in the promulgation of this Order within its respective bounds.

Section 5. The Klorero shall provide its own revenue to meet the expenses of its convention and clerical obligations.

Section 6. The officers of a Realm shall be a Grand Dragon, who shall be President of the Klorero; he shall be appointed by the Imperial Wizard for a term of office designated

In his appointment or during faithful service and good behavior, and shall govern his Realm in a manner not inconsistent with this Constitution, or the instructions and directions of his Imperial Klazik; Grand Klaliff, second highest officer of a Realm, who shall be vice-president of the Klorero; Grand Klo-kard lecturer; Grand Kludd, chaplain; Grand Kligrapp, secretary; Grand Klabee, treasurer; Grand Kladd, conductor; Grand Klarogo, inner guard; Grand Klexter, outer guard; and a Grand Night-Hawk. These shall be known as the Grand Dragon and his nine Hydras. Officers of a Realm, other than the Grand Dragon, shall be elected by the Klorero on the nomination of the Grand Dragon, and such election must be ratified by the Imperial Klazik prior to their installation.

Section 7. The Grand Dragon and Great Titans of each Realm shall be required to meet *en banc* on the third Monday of July of each year. The first meeting to be held on the third Monday of July, 1923, at a place designated by the Imperial Klazik. The object of the meeting is to discuss Klan problems and to suggest solutions therefor.

PROVINCES.

ARTICLE XVII.

Section 1. The Grand Dragon shall designate the bounds of a Province in his Realm and shall form new Provinces as the development warrants, but in number not to exceed six Provinces in any one Realm, except by permission of the Imperial Wizard, Desiring to form a Province he shall procure permission from the Imperial Klazik. Upon receipt of such permission he shall notify all Klans to be incorporated in that Province, naming the officers appointed by him, and formally declaring such Province formed, and report immediately such formation to the Imperial Klazik.

Section 2. At the initial convention of a Klaverse of a Province; the elective officers of that Province shall be elected, but such election must be ratified by the Grand Dragon of that Realm, and such officers elected and ratified shall be installed by the Grand Dragon or by his duly appointed deputy, and they shall govern the Province under the direction and instructions of the Grand Dragon.

Section 3. A Klaverse shall be composed of all the Grand Officers of the Realm; all

Great Officers of that Province and **four Kleepers** from each **Klan** in good standing in that Province. The **Grand Officers** and **Great Officers** shall each be entitled to one vote. The **Kleepers** shall be entitled to one vote for each one hundred **Klansmen** or major fraction thereof in good standing in their **Klan** and they shall divide the vote of their **Klan** equally.

Section 4. The officers of a Province shall hereafter be: A **Great Titan**, the highest officer of a Province, and **President** of the **Klonverse**; three **great Klaliks**, who shall compose an **Advisory Board**; a **Great Kilgrapp**, secretary; a **Great Klabee**, treasurer; a **Great Kludd**, champion; and a **Great Night-Hawk**. These officers shall be known as the **Great Titan** and his **Seven Furies**, and their terms of office shall be from the date of their installation until the next convention of the **Klonverse**, or until their successors shall have been elected and installed.

Section 5. The **Great Titan** of a Province shall be appointed by the **Grand Dragon** of the **Realm**, with the consent and approval of the **Imperial Klazik**, but all other officers of a Province shall be elected by the **Klonverse** on the nomination of the **Great Titan**.

Section 6. The function of the **Klonverse** is social and fraternal, for the purpose of promoting good fellowship within the bounds of that Province, and stimulating and developing interest in this Order, and its mission and work.

Section 7. The **Klonverse** shall meet in regular session each calendar year, at such place as it may select, and at such time as the **Great Titan** may designate—provided the **Klonverse** must hold its session at least thirty days prior to the convention of the **Klorero** of that Realm.

KLANS.

ARTICLE XVIII.

Section 1-a. In States having a perfected Realm organization, the **Grand Dragon** shall designate the location of new **Klans** to be instituted, and shall stipulate the number of charter petitioners necessary to institute a new **Klan**.

Section 1-b. In States having no Realm organization, the **King Kleagle** shall be the judge of the location and number of petitioners necessary to institute a new **Klan**.

Section 2. The **Kleagle** in charge of the organization of a **Klan** shall remain in charge

and be responsible until that Klan is duly chartered and its officers elected and installed.

Section 3-a. Upon the organization of a Klan, a vote shall be had on the petitioners, and if there be three negative votes cast on the ballot as a whole, then an individual ballot shall be had by balloting on the petitioners one at a time, three negative ballots rejecting. After a Klan has been organized and prior to the issuance and closing of its charter, charter applicants must be submitted to the Klan in klonklave assembled; if any Klansman present knows any just reason that disqualifies an applicant for membership, he must rise to his feet and challenge that applicant and state his reasons for so doing; this done, the Provisional Exalted Cyclops, or the Kleagle in charge acting as such, shall refer the application to the Klokann and the Klokann shall investigate the application on the basis of the grounds of objection, and they shall report on such applicant at the next subsequent klonklave, if possible, or at the very earliest possible date thereafter, at which klonklave final action shall be taken. An applicant who has been finally rejected cannot apply again until after the expiration of twelve months from date of rejection. If

after a careful investigation the Klokann finds that the objector was in error, they shall report accordingly and recommend the passage of the applicant, and the Klan shall take definite and final action on the report of the Klokann.

Section 3-b. Applications for membership in chartered Klans shall be read three times in klonklave assembled, and opportunity given each member present to make objections. All objections may be made in writing, signed by the objector and delivered to the Klokann, whose duty it shall be to investigate the objections and make their findings and report the same to the Klan body for its adoption or rejection. All petitions must be made in writing on Form K-115.

Section 3-c. An applicant who has been finally rejected cannot apply again until after the expiration of twelve months from date of rejection and shall be within the jurisdiction of that Klan for a period of three years. Provided, however, upon request of the Klokann of that Klan through regular channels the Grand Dragon of organized Realms or the Imperial Wizard in unorganized States, a special dispensation may be granted ordering another ballot taken immediately.

Section 4. A Klansman who presents the name of an applicant for membership in this Order must know the applicant personally and be familiar with his qualifications according to this Constitution and Laws. All members of a Klan must faithfully guard the portal of the Invisible Empire so that no person not qualified to enter therein shall be admitted.

Section 5. In the event a petitioner or an applicant is denied membership in this Order, the sum of his Klectokon shall be immediately returned to him by the Kleagle, if same was collected by him, or by the Kligrapp of the Klan if same was paid into the Klan.

Section 6. All actions of a Klan in rejecting an applicant for membership, as to the votes cast, and by whom objections were made, are a positive secret of this Order; members who have knowledge of same and divulge or intimate in the slightest degree or cause such knowledge to be in any way communicated to any person not a member, shall be at once banished from the Invisible Empire for the violation of his oath on the ground of treason.

Section 7. When the required number of charter petitioners have been obtained in a community where a Klan is to be located, the Kleagle will immediately forward a regular

petition for the issuance of charter to the Imperial Wizard through the regular channels. Such petition must give the name selected for that Klan, time of the meetings of regular klonklave and must be signed by the Kleagle in charge or the officers, giving the address of that Klan.

Section 8. The Klan charter shall contain the following text:

**IMPERIAL PALACE INVISIBLE EMPIRE
KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN,
INCORPORATED.**

**TO ALL WHO READ AND RESPECT
THESE LINES,
GREETING:**

WHEREAS, the Imperial Wizard has received a petition from the following named citizens of the Invisible Empire.....

.....
et al., praying for themselves and others and their successors to be instituted a Klan of the Order under the name and number of.....

.....
Klan Number....., Realm of.....
and same to be located at

in the county of.....

State of

United States of America, and they having given assurance of their fidelity to this Order and their competency to render the service required, and their ready willingness to take upon themselves and their successors the duties and responsibilities thereof, and their serious determined purpose to rightly use and not abuse the powers, privileges and prerogatives conferred on them as such, and be faithful and true in all things committed to them;

Now know ye that I, the Imperial Wizard of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, on this the..... day of

month of the Year of our Lord, 19.....; and

on theday of the.....

Week of the.....Month of the Year of the Klan....., and in the

.....Cycle of the Third Reign of our reincarnation, under the authority possessed by me, do issue this Charter to the aforesaid petitioners, their associates and successors, under the name and number aforesaid, from the day and date hereon, and same is effective from the date of its acceptance by said Klan as certified below.

The said Klan is hereby authorized and empowered to do and to perform all such acts and things as are prescribed by the Kloran, Laws, Imperial Decrees, Edicts, Mandates and Usages of the Order, and to enjoy all the rights, privileges and prerogatives authorized by the Constitution thereof; and all Klansmen are strictly enjoined to valiantly preserve and persistently practice the principles of pure Patriotism, Honor, Klanishness and White Supremacy, ever keeping in mind and heart the sacred sentiment, peculiar purpose, manly mission, and lofty ideals and objects of this Order, a devoted loyalty to their Emperor and their Imperial Wizard—a steadfast obedience to the Constitution of this Order, a faithful keeping of their "Oath of Allegiance," and a constant, unwavering fidelity to every interest of the Invisible Empire, to the end that progress, power, purpose and influence of Klankraft be properly promoted, the knowledge of the faithful, self-sacrificing service and noble achievements of our Fathers be not lost to posterity, and all those things for which this, our beloved Order, is founded to do and perform and to protect, and to preserve and to perpetuate, be diligently done and scrupulously maintained, and

that they be blameless in preserving the grace, dignity and intent of this Charter forever.

I solemnly charge you to hold fast to the dauntless faith of our Fathers and to keep their spotless memory secure and unstained, and true to the traditions of our valiant sires, meet every behest of Duty, in all the relationships of life and living, promptly and properly, without fault, without fail, without fear and without reproach.

The Imperial Wizard has and holds the full and unchallengeable authority, right and power to cancel, suspend or revoke this Charter, and to annul all the rights, powers, prerogatives, and immunities conferred hereby, for the neglect or the refusal on the part of the said Klan to conform to and comply with the Kloran Constitution, and Laws of this Order, and the Imperial Decrees, Edicts, Mandates, Rulings and Instructions thereof, or its failure to respect the usages of this Order as proclaimed by and maintained under the Imperial Authority of same.

In testimony whereof I, the Imperial Wizard of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, have caused to be affixed hereon the Great Imperial Seal of the Invisible Empire, and do hereunto set by hand and impress my official seal,

and same is duly attested—"Non Silba Sed Anthar."

Done in the Executive Chambers of his Lordship, the Imperial Wizard, in the Imperial Palace, in the Imperial City of Atlanta, Commonwealth of Georgia, United States of America, on the day and date above written.

BY HIS LORDSHIP,

.....
**IMPERIAL WIZARD, OF THE INVISIBLE
EMPIRE, KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX
KLAN:**

.....
IMPERIAL KLIGRAPP.

CERTIFICATE OF ACCEPTANCE:

This certifies that this Charter was read to and duly adopted by above named Klan, in session assembled, with all stipulations and conditions herein stated or implied, on the

..... day of

A. D., 19.....AK.....

Exalted Cyclops of Above Named Klan.
(Witness)

Section 9. Upon the receipt of the charter, the Kleagle or the Provisional Exalted Cyclops shall notify, or cause to be notified, the members of the Klan to assemble at the earliest convenient time in klonklave, at which klonklave the charter shall be read and accepted by the Klan and a record made in the minutes of the Klan. The charter of the Klan is then closed and the Klan will proceed to elect its elective officers, exercising care to select officers who are competent and fitted for the respective offices. This done the service of the Kleagle terminates with this Klan. The Klan proceeds at once to supply itself with a seal and with adequate and suitable by-laws for its government and the regulation of its affairs and for the rigid protection and interests of this Order within its Klanton.

Section 10. By-laws of the Klan shall not conflict with or be inconsistent with the Constitution and Laws of this Order, and after same have been prepared by the Klan they must be immediately sent to the Imperial Wizard or Grand Dragon to be approved and ratified by him, corrected and amended by him if necessary and upon his ratification such

by-laws become effective as law for the regulation of that Klan.

Section 11. The charter of a Klan may be reopened by the Grand Dragon of a Realm or by the Imperial Wizard upon a request by the Klan, signed by its Exalted Cyclops and Kligrapp. When a charter is reopened, the Grand Dragon or the Imperial Wizard will provide a Kleagle for this Klan for work under their direction.

Section 12. The elective officers of a Klan shall hereafter be as follows: The Exalted Cyclops, president; Klaliff, vice-president; Klokard, lecturer; Kludd, Chaplain; Kligrapp, secretary; Klabee, treasurer; Kladd, conductor; Klarogo, inner guard; Klexter, outer guard; Night-Hawk, in charge of candidates; and three Klokann, board of investigators, auditors and advisers, each of whom shall bear the title of "Klokan." These shall be known as the Exalted Cyclops and his twelve Terrors.

Section 13. The term of office for officers of a Klan shall be for twelve months or until their successors have been elected and installed. Officers of a Klan shall be nominated in the klonklave immediately preceding the anniversary (May 6th) day, and elected at

the klonklave immediately succeeding the anniversary day, each year, and installed in the first klonklave in the month of July.

Section 14. An officer of a Klan elected and who is absent on the night of installation shall be installed at the next klonklave, and if he should be absent from this klonklave, he shall be notified to be present at the next klonklave for installation; then if he fails to present himself and has no providential excuse, his office shall be declared vacant by the Exalted Cyclops and the Klan shall proceed to elect at that klonklave a member to fill that vacancy, and such member elected shall be installed at that klonklave.

Section 15. Officers-elect shall not in any case be installed unless their Klan dues are paid up to and including the calendar quarter of installation and their respective offices shall become vacated, if, at any time, their Klan dues become in arrears, and no Klan installation of officers shall be recognized within the Invisible Empire as being official unless that Klan be in good standing with the Imperial Palace, Realm and Province offices.

Section 16. When a Klan becomes in arrears in payment of its Imperial, Realm or

Provincial tax for a period of one hundred days, its several offices are automatically vacated, its members denied visiting privileges in other Klans, and its acts subsequent thereto are invalid unless the time is extended by the Grand Dragon in organized Realms or the Imperial Wizard in unorganized Realms, either of whom shall have the authority to order a complete audit of this Klan's affairs at the expense of the local Klan. Such Klan shall not be entitled to representation in any Klonverse, Klorero or Imperial Klonvokation. It shall be the duty of all Grand Dragons of Realms and Great Titans of Provinces to file with the Imperial Kligrapp, at least ten days preceding the Klonvokation, a list of all Klans in their respective territories which have paid their realm or Province tax, and the numerical strength of the individual Klans.

Section 17. Immediately upon the election of officers the Kligrapp shall transmit the names of officers-elect to the Great Titan of the Province for ratification. Upon ratifying such officers-elect, the Great Titan shall immediately forward a copy of the list, together with his ratification, to the Grand Dragon of that Realm, who shall in turn file a copy in his office and transmit a copy immediately to

the Imperial Kligrapp. No officer-elect shall be inducted into office unless he be worthy and well qualified to fulfill the duties of that office and his election duly ratified by the Great Titan or Grand Dragon.

Section 18. Klan dues shall be paid in advance. A new member shall begin paying dues the month immediately succeeding the month in which he was naturalized. A member failing to pay his dues for three successive months shall be automatically suspended from the Klan and his name dropped from the roll and he shall be so reported in the next quarterly report. Upon the payment of his arrears he shall be automatically reinstated and shall be so reported by the Kligrapp in his next quarterly report.

Section 19. Each and every member naturalized in this Order must supply himself with a robe and helmet by sending, through his Kligrapp, his measurement and the required fee for same. This robe and helmet shall be his and his only just so long as he is a member of this Order in good standing. Upon his voluntarily quitting this Order, or his being suspended or banished, for any cause, he shall return to the Exalted Cyclops his robe and helmet without delay, along with any other

emblem, insignia or other property of this Order in his possession; all monies such member has paid were accepted as a guarantee of good faith, and same are forfeited by him.

Section 20. A Klan under any and all circumstances shall accord full respect to its charter, and thereby strictly observe the Constitution and Laws, mannerisms, usages and Kloranic (ritualistic) regulations and requirements of this Order as same are promulgated by the Imperial Wizard; and shall give due respect and obedience to all Imperial, Realm and Provincial decrees, edicts, mandates, rulings and instructions issued by the said officers; and failure on the part of a Klan to do so shall be cause for revocation of its charter and the suspension of its entire membership from this Order.

Section 21. A Klan shall meet in klonklave at least once every month and gather promptly at the hour agreed upon. Six members of a Klan shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business at any regular klonklave.

Section 22. Special klonklaves may be held at any time whenever same are deemed necessary by the Exalted Cyclops or when he is

requested to do so by twenty-five per cent of the membership in good standing and ten per cent in cases where the membership in good standing is greater than one thousand; provided, however, in no event under the provisions of this section shall the number required be less than one hundred in Klans having a membership in good standing greater than four hundred. If this meeting is called upon petition in accordance with the provisions of this section, forty per cent of the membership in good standing at the time of such call shall constitute a quorum.

Section 23. In the event the charter of a Klan has been revoked or cancelled for any cause, whatsoever, and in the event of disbandment of a Klan, whether it be a chartered or Provisional Klan, all monies of that Klan in the possession of any officer or member thereof shall automatically become the actual monies of the Imperial Treasury of this Order and same must be freely and promptly turned over, on demand, to the properly accredited officer who is authorized by the Imperial Wizard to receive same in the name of this Order; also all books, papers, manuscripts, Klors, records, seal, Klan paraphernalia, regalia, robes, helmets and any

and all other things used by the Klan, and all articles or things appertaining to this Order as may have been used by or are in the possession of any individual member thereof.

Section 24. A Klan, or member of this Order shall not use the official costume or any part of same on any occasion outside the klavern without permission of the Grand Dragon in organized Realms, or the Imperial Wizard in unorganized States under penalty of forfeiture of their charter or banishment from this Order.

Section 25. No Klan or member shall use the name of this Order or any part thereof for any purpose that contravenes in any manner the laws of the land, that will reflect, or probably reflect, upon the reputation and good name, or compromise, or injure this Order, or any member thereof, in any way.

DUTIES OF KLAN OFFICERS.

ARTICLE XIX.

Section 1. **EXALTED CYCLOPS:** The Exalted Cyclops is the supreme officer of a Klan and its official head. He shall preside over the klonklaves and govern same with dignity, devotion and impartiality. He shall

be faithful in the prompt and efficient discharge of every duty prescribed or implied, incumbent upon him, and fearless without respect to individual persons in the administration of the affairs of his office in promoting the welfare of this Order within the bounds of his Klanton, and he shall set a laudable example to all Klansmen, of patriotism, klanishness, benevolence, love, justice, every respect. He shall require a faithful honor and a devoted loyalty to this Order in observance on the part of all Klansmen within his Klanton of the Constitution, laws, usages, etc., of this Order, and all Imperial, Realm or Province decrees, edicts, mandates, rulings and instructions, and seek to make vital and effective the principles, objects and purposes of this Order. He shall call the Klontlave to order promptly on the hour designated, if there be a quorum present, and see that his Terrors fill their respective offices in an acceptable manner. He shall diligently safeguard the sanctity and dignity of the charter of his Klan and suffer no encroachment thereon, nor any departure therefrom. He shall require the ritualistic work of the Kloran to be exemplified with the highest degree of perfection possible, and he

shall do such other things as may be required of him by the Laws of this Order, the Kloran, the by-laws of his Klan, and faithfully execute all orders and special instructions of the Great Titan, Grand Dragon or the Imperial Wizard.

Section 2. KLALIFF: The Klaliff is the vice-president of his Klan, and he shall preside over the klonklave in the absence of the Exalted Cyclops. He shall preserve order during the deliberations of a klonklave, and otherwise assist the Exalted Cyclops in klonklave assembled and perform such other duties as may be required of him by the Exalted Cyclops, the Kloran and by-laws of his Klan.

Section 3. KLOKARD: The Klokard is the lecturer or instructor and the Klan censor or critic. He shall administer the oaths, deliver the Kloranic lectures, instruct in secret work, do those things commonly required of a critic, and perform such other duties as may be required of him by the Exalted Cyclops, the Kloran and the by-laws of his Klan. He shall be responsible for the proper performance of all ritualistic work within his Klan, and shall disseminate Klancraft throughout his Klanton.

Section 4. KLUDD: The Kludd is the chaplain of the Klan. He shall perform the duties peculiar to his sacred office, and such other duties as may be required of him by the Exalted Cyclops, the Kloran and the by-laws of his Klan. He shall be responsible for such musical programs as may be presented; and for the general spiritual welfare of his Klan.

Section 5. KLIGRAPP: The Kligrapp is the secretary and recording officer of the Klan. He shall keep an accurate and complete record of all the proceedings of his Klan assembled, and a correct and systematic record of its membership, and of the date each member was naturalized, etc., as required by the record book for that purpose. He shall make a report through the proper channels to the proper officers not later than the 10th of the month for the calendar quarter last past on the regular blanks therefor, and with his reports he shall remit to said officer or officers all monies belonging to this Order, such as Imperial Tax, Realm or Provincial Tax, Klec-tokons, monies due for supplies and any and all other monies due and payable to said officers. He shall witness all requisitions made for any article or paraphernalia, regalia, jewelry, or other property of this Order, to be

used by the Klan or a member thereof, and see that the required sum of money is sent therewith. He shall notify all members who are in arrears three months, and shall notify the Imperial Office of the arrears of a member for three months. He shall be the custodian of the seal of the Klan and shall impress it on all papers and documents requiring same, and perform such other duties as may be required of him by the Exalted Cyclops, the Kloran and the by-laws of his Klan.

Section 6. **KLABEE:** The Klabee is the treasurer of the Klan. He shall be the custodian of its funds, and shall receive from the Kligrapp all monies due to be turned over to him, giving his receipt for same, and keeping same apart from his personal funds and secure for the sole use of the Klan. He shall keep an accurate account of all monies received by him, and pay same out only on order of the Klan, signed by the Exalted Cyclops and the Kligrapp, except the monies due by the Klan to the Imperial Realm and Province Officers, which monies do not require action of the Klan, and make a faithful record of such disbursements. He shall make a complete and itemized report of his office to the Klan when same is requested by the Exalted

Cyclops or the Klan, and shall perform such other duties as may be required of him by the Exalted Cyclops and the by-laws of his Klan.

Section 7. KLADD: The Kladd is the conductor of the Klan and the custodian of its paraphernalia and other properties. He shall conduct candidates for naturalization, collect the countersign and pass word at the opening of a klonklave, and perform such other duties as may be required of him by the Exalted Cyclops, the Kloran and the by-laws of his Klan.

Section 8. KLAROGO: The Klarogo is the inner guard of the Klan. He shall keep a diligent watch at the inner door and permit only those to enter the Klavern who are qualified or have the permission of the Exalted Cyclops. If he should be in doubt as to the qualifications of the one seeking admission, he must satisfy himself from the Klaliff or Kligrapp. He shall perform such other duties as may be required of him by the Exalted Cyclops, the Kloran and the by-laws of his Klan.

Section 9. KLEXTER: The Klexter is the outer guard of a Klan. He shall keep a diligent and faithful watch at the outer door, and

allow no one to pass him from the outside except those who are qualified and have permission of the Exalted Cyclops. He shall observe from time to time the outside premises of the Klavern to see that no eavesdroppers or other persons are around, who are liable to obtain information or knowledge concerning the acts or procedure of the klonklave. He shall in no case leave his post of duty unless summoned therefrom by the Exalted Cyclops, and even then, a substitute must be placed in his stead to watch until his return. He shall perform such other duties as may be required of him by the Exalted Cyclops, the Kloran and the by-laws of his Klan.

Section 10. NIGHT HAWK: The Night Hawk is the special courier of the Exalted Cyclops. He shall have charge of and shall entertain the candidate or candidates in the outer den of the klavern until he is signalled to enter the klavern at the beginning of the ceremony of naturalization. He shall carry the Fiery Cross in the ceremony and on all public exhibitions where same is used, and shall perform such other duties as may be required of him by the Exalted Cyclops and the by-laws of his Klan.

Section 11. KLOKANN: The Klokann is the Board of Auditors, Advisors and Trustees, and the investigating committee of the Klan. It shall be composed of three members, each of whom shall bear the title of "Klokan." It shall be their duty to audit the books and records of the Kligrapp and the Klabee in the month of June each year, and oftener if so required by the Klan in writing. They shall see that all paraphernalia, regalia and other property of the Klan and of this Order is properly kept, and shall perform such other duties as may be required of them by the Exalted Cyclops and the by-laws of their Klan. Said Klokann may select such assistants as in their judgment seems necessary.

Section 12. An officer of a Klan who allows himself to get in arrears for three months, or who absents himself from three consecutive klonklaves without a providential excuse, or who fails to master his part of the kloranic work within sixty days after he is placed in office, shall forfeit all rights, prerogatives and honors of his office; the Exalted Cyclops must declare his office vacant and will at once appoint a successor thereto. If the Exalted Cyclops shall be guilty of negligence as above, the Klan in klonklave shall demand his res-

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ual drunkenness; drunkenness or the drinking of intoxicating liquor during a klonklave or on the premises thereof, or entering a klonklave in an intoxicated condition; the habitual use of profane language or vulgarity during a klonklave or during an assembly of Klansmen just prior thereto; (5) being responsible for the polluting of Caucasian blood through miscegenation, or the commission of any act unworthy of a Klansman; (6) the repeated commission of a minor offense shall in itself constitute a major offense.

Section 3. Minor offenses. Minor offenses shall consist of drunkenness, drinking intoxicating liquor during a klonklave or on the premises thereof, entering a klonklave in an intoxicated condition, use of profane language or vulgarity during a klonklave or in an assembly of Klansmen just prior thereto, or committing any other act which might operate against the best interest of the Klan or Klansmen, refusal or failure to obey the mandates, rules, edicts and orders of the Exalted Cyclops or the Klan, or the failure or refusal on the part of any Klansman, upon demand by the Exalted Cyclops, to respond to any summons issued by him, unless he has a providential excuse; or failure

or refusal to surrender his credentials when called for by the Exalted Cyclops.

Section 4. PENALTIES: All offenses enumerated above under the head of major offenses shall be tried and penalties assessed by the Tribunal hereinafter provided for. All offenses enumerated as minor offenses shall be heard and determined and penalties assessed by the Exalted Cyclops of the Klan. Penalties shall be of four classes, as follows: 1. Reprimand; 2. Suspension; 3. Banishment; 4. Extreme Penalty—banishment forever, and there shall be added thereto complete ostracism in any and all things by each and every member of this Order.

Section 5. A member who fails to respect the penalty imposed on another member shall receive the same penalty as if he himself were guilty of that offense.

Section 6. All charges against a Klansman, involving a major offense under the Constitution and Laws of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan shall be in writing, specifying the acts complained of, which shall be submitted to the Klorkann of the Klan of which the accused is a member, or in whose jurisdiction the offense was committed.

Section 7. Upon the filing of such charges the Klokann shall consider and investigate the same and take action thereon within thirty days from the time such charges are filed. The Klokann shall determine the sufficiency of the charges presented and the advisability of a trial as herein provided, and their action on such charges shall be final.

If the judgment of the Klokann is not unanimous, then the decision of a majority of the Klokann, when approved by the Exalted Cyclops, shall be final.

Section 8. Upon the filing of such charges the Klokann shall have the right in its discretion, through the Exalted Cyclops, to suspend the accused during the period of investigation of such charges or until his acquittal (if trial is ordered).

If, in the opinion of the Klokann, the charges presented constitute a minor offense, as herein defined, the same shall be referred to the Exalted Cyclops for such action as he shall deem proper.

Section 9. If the Klokann shall order a trial of the accused, the charges and specifications shall be published in regular klonklave by the Klaliff.

Section 10. The Exalted Cyclops shall in such event set the date of the trial which shall be not more than thirty days after report of the Klokann, and shall serve the accused with a copy of the indictment or charges not less than ten days before the date of the trial.

Section 11. (a) The accused shall be tried before a Tribunal selected as follows: The Exalted Cyclops, Klaliff, Klokard and Kludd shall each select from the membership in good standing six Klansmen whose names shall be placed in some suitable receptacle and from this receptacle the Kladd, wearing a hood-wink, shall withdraw eight names, and the remaining sixteen Klansmen shall constitute the Tribunal whose attendance at the trial is compulsory. In the event any one or more of the sixteen Klansmen thus selected shall fail to appear, that number which do appear may select from the Klan body sufficient Klansmen to fill their places.

(b) In event of charges being presented against the Exalted Cyclops of a Klan, he shall immediately vacate his office and he shall remain out of office until the case against him is finally adjudicated. In such event the Klaliff shall immediately assume the office, duties and responsibilities of the Exalted Cy-

claps and shall appoint a Klaliff. The Klaliff in all respects shall be Exalted Cyclops in fact and the one appointed by him to the office of Klaliff shall be Klaliff in fact until the case against the Exalted Cyclops is finally adjudicated. In event the Exalted Cyclops so accused shall have been found guilty and duly penalized, the acting Exalted Cyclops and Klaliff shall remain in their respective offices until the end of the term, or until he shall have been reinstated. In the event charges are preferred against a Terror of a Klan he shall vacate his office immediately and shall remain out of office until the case against him has been finally adjudicated. Immediately upon his vacating office, the Exalted Cyclops shall appoint a substitute thereto and this substitute shall act in this office until the case against the Terror in question has been finally adjudicated. In the event the Terror in question is convicted and penalized, the substitute in his former office shall become the Terror in fact of that office unless or until the said Terror shall have been reinstated. In the event the Exalted Cyclops or any Terror of the Klan is accused and tried and acquitted, such Exalted Cyclops or Terror shall immediately resume his former office and

proceed with the affairs of his office as before.

Section 12. Such Tribunal shall select one of their number as Triton, who shall preside, and one as Scribe, and the duty of the Scribe shall be to make a record of the proceedings, write the testimony of witnesses, or cause same to be done by a competent Klansman stenographer. Said Tribunal shall have authority and power to issue a summons directed to any Klansman, commanding him to appear and give testimony for or against the accused, and hear the charges and evidence and to render judgment in conformity with the laws of this Order and the evidence adduced.

Section 13. The Tribunal and the accused may take testimony touching the issues involved, except where Klan secrets and secret information of the Klan are involved, by interrogatories and cross interrogatories, first giving either party timely notice thereof, and such evidence when so taken may be received as evidence in the case and may be used by either party.

Section 14. On the date set for trial the accused shall be required to be present in person or by counsel (who shall be a Klansman

in good standing), Providence alone preventing; and in the event of his failure or refusal to be present or represented by counsel the said Tribunal shall select a member in good standing in that Klan as counsel for the defense and proceed with the case and hear proof touching his guilt or innocence and render its decision in accordance with the laws of this Order and the evidence adduced at such trial; and said Tribunal in rendering its decision shall find whether or not service of the charges has been made upon the accused and notice of the time and place of hearing has been given to the defendant. Service of the time and place of the trial of the accused shall be made upon him in person or by registered letter, and a return card from the postoffice showing delivery thereof to such Klansman, coupled with an affidavit from the Night Hawk of such Klan to the effect that a copy of the charges or indictment and a notice to the accused Klansman, specifying the time and place of trial, was placed in a letter in an envelope with proper postage and directed to such Klansman at his last known address, shall constitute service and notice on such Klansman.

Section 15. No evidence shall be offered at such trial except such as may be pertinent to the charges presented.

Section 16. At a trial held under this article only the following may be present: (a) the Tribunal in full regalia of the Order; (b) the Prosecutor appointed by the Klokann; (c) the defendant and his representative or representatives; (d) witnesses who are Klansmen; (e) the Great Titan or his representative; (f) the Grand Dragon or his representative; (g) the Imperial Wizard or his representative; (h) a stenographer reporting the case, who must be a Klansman.

Section 17. At the conclusion of the evidence, the prosecutor and counsel for the accused shall have the right to argue the case to the Tribunal and the accused shall have the right to be heard in his own behalf, and at the conclusion of the arguments all persons except the Tribunal immediately shall retire.

Section 18. After fully considering the charges and evidence thereon, such tribunal shall determine the guilt or innocence of the accused by written ballot. Twelve or more votes shall be necessary to convict or acquit.

Section 19. If the accused shall be found guilty, the tribunal shall assess the penalty

to be imposed and the Exalted Cyclops shall enforce the same, and such judgment shall be published by the Klaliff at the next regular klonklave.

Section 20. If the accused shall be acquitted, the Exalted Cyclops shall be notified thereof and such acquittal shall be published by the Klaliff at the next regular klonklave.

Section 21. If the tribunal is unable to reach a decision as herein provided, then such tribunal shall be discharged, another tribunal composed altogether of different members from the former tribunal shall be created as herein provided, who shall proceed to try the case as herein set forth.

Section 22. Should the accused be acquitted, a majority of the Klokann shall have the right to appeal from the judgment of the tribunal and such majority of the Klokann shall also have the right to suspend the accused through the Exalted Cyclops until such appeal shall have been finally determined.

Section 23. Should the accused be convicted he shall have the right to appeal from the judgment of the tribunal; but he shall remain suspended until such appeal shall have been finally determined.

Section 24. Notice of appeal shall be in writing signed by the party or parties appealing and filed with the Kligrapp of the Klan in which the accused was tried, not more than 15 days from the date the judgment of the tribunal was published in regular klonklave.

Section 25. Upon the filing of such appeal, the Kligrapp, Triton and Scribe of the tribunal shall, within 30 days, make up a complete transcript of the proceedings had upon the trial, which shall be duly certified to by the Kligrapp and forwarded by him immediately to the Grand Dragon of that Realm. Provided, however, that any member who shall be found guilty by a tribunal in a realm other than that in which he holds membership, shall have the right, at his option, to take his appeal to the Imperial Klonscilium instead of to the Grand Tribunal of the realm where the trial is held.

Section 26. In states where realm organization has not been instituted, the appeal shall be taken to the Imperial Klonscilium and a transcript of appeal filed with the Imperial Kligrapp in like manner as is provided in appeals to the Grand Tribunal of a Realm.

Section 27. In organized Realms the Grand Dragon shall annually select a Grand Tribunal

composed of 12 Hydras or Giants, provided that for the first two years after a realm is instituted the tribunal may be composed of Hydras, Furies, Exalted Cyclops and Klaliffs.

Section 28. The Grand Tribunal shall meet at the annual meeting of the Klorero and at such other times as the Grand Dragon thereof may direct.

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Proclaim to the World

That we are dedicated to the sublime duty of providing generous aid, tender sympathy and fraternal assistance amid fortune and misfortune in the effulgent light of life and amid the sable shadows of death; and to the exalted privilege of demonstrating the practical utility of the great (yet most neglected), doctrine of the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of man as a vital force in the lives and affairs of men.

We invite all men who can qualify to become citizens of the Invisible Empire to approach the portal of our beneficent domain, join us in our noble work of extending its boundaries, and in disseminating the gospel of "Klankraft," thereby encouraging, conserving, protecting and making vital the fraternal relationship in the practice of an honorable clannishness; to share with us the glory of performing the sacred duty of protecting womanhood; to maintain forever the God-given supremacy of the white race; to commemorate the holy and chivalric achievements of our fathers; to safeguard the sacred rights, privileges and institutions of our Civil Government; to bless mankind and to keep eter-

nally ablaze the sacred fire of a fervent devotion to a pure Americanism.

The Invisible Empire is founded on sterling character, and immutable principles based upon sacred sentiment and cemented by noble purposes. It is promoted by a sincere, unselfish devotion of the souls of men, and is governed by their consecrated intelligence. It is the soul of chivalry, virtue's impenetrable shield; and the devout impulse of an unconquered race.

DONE IN THE AULIC OF HIS MAJESTY, the Emperor of the Invisible Empire, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, in the Imperial Palace, in the Imperial City of Atlanta, Commonwealth of Georgia, United States of America.



This the 29th day of November, Anno Domini, Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-two Anno Klan LVI.

William Joseph Simmons
IMPERIAL WIZARD

KU KLUX KREED.

(Original Creed Revised)

We, the Order of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, reverentially acknowledge the majesty and supremacy of Almighty God and recognize His goodness and providence through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Recognizing our relation to the government of the United States of America, the Supremacy of its Constitution, the Union of States thereunder, and the Constitutional Laws thereof, we shall ever be devoted to the sublime principles of a pure Americanism, and valiant in the defense of its ideals and institutions.

We avow the distinction between the races of mankind as decreed by the Creator, and we shall ever be true to the maintenance of White Supremacy and strenuously oppose any compromise thereof.

We appreciate the value of practical, fraternal relationship among men of kindred thought, purpose and ideals and the infinite benefits accruing therefrom; we shall faithfully devote ourselves to the practice of an honorable clannishness that the life of each may be a constant blessing to others.

"NON SILBA SED ANTHAR."

PREAMBLE.

We, the members of this Order, citizens and probationers of the Invisible Empire, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, in order to insure unity of organization; to guarantee an effective form of government; to perpetuate our great institution through patriotic and fraternal achievements; to preserve forever its holy principles; to continue and make vital its spiritual purposes; to achieve its laudable objects; to attain its lofty ideals; to consummate its mission and to promote effectively all things set forth in The Imperial Proclamation herein; do declare this Constitution of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, in lieu of the original Prescript of the Ku Klux Klan, as the supreme law of this Society, and pledge our voice, our loyalty, our manhood and our sacred honor to enforce the same. In our endeavor toward the faithful fulfillment of this, our honorable mission, we solemnly invoke the guidance and blessings of Almighty God in behalf of our country, our homes, our race and each other, now, and unto generations yet unborn.

APPELLATION AND GOVERNMENT.

ARTICLE I

Section 1. To the name of this Society, Ku Klux Klan, has been prefixed the words "Knight of the," and therefore forever hereafter it shall be known as "KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN," and is hereinafter referred to as, "This Order." It is, and shall continue to be, a Patriotic, Military, Benevolent, Ritualistic, Social and Fraternal Order or Society.

Section 2. The government of this Order shall ever be military in character, especially in its executive management and control; and no legislative enactment or constitutional amendment hereafter shall encroach upon, affect or change this fundamental principle of the Invisible Empire.

Section 3. The government of this Order shall be vested primarily in the Imperial Wizard, as Commander-in-Chief, who shall be supreme within the restrictions of this constitution, and as otherwise provided, and whose decisions, decrees, edicts, mandates, rulings and instructions shall be of full authority and unquestionably recognized and respected by each and every citizen of the Invisible Empire.

OBJECTS AND PURPOSES.

ARTICLE II.

Section 1. The objects of this Order shall be to unite white male persons, native-born Gentile citizens of the United States of America, who owe no allegiance of any nature or degree to any foreign government, nation, institution, sect, ruler, person or people; whose morals are good; whose reputations and vocations are respectable; whose habits are exemplary; who are of sound minds and eighteen years or more of age, under a common oath into a brotherhood of strict regulations; to cultivate and promote patriotism toward our Civil Government; to practice an honorable clannishness toward each other; to exemplify a practical benevolence; to shield the sanctity of the home and the chastity of womanhood; to maintain forever white supremacy, to teach and faithfully inculcate a high spiritual philosophy through an exalted ritualism, and by a practical devotion to conserve, protect and maintain the distinctive institutions, rights, privileges, principles, traditions and ideals of a pure Americanism.

Section 2. To create and maintain an institution by which the present and succeeding

generations shall commemorate the great sacrifice, chivalric service and imperishable achievement of the "Ku Klux Klan of the Reconstruction period of American History," to the end that justice and honor be done the sacred memory of those who wrought through our mystic society during that period, and that their valiant accomplishments be not lost to posterity; to perpetuate their faithful courage, noble spirit, peerless principles and faultless ideals; to hold sacred and make effective their spiritual purpose in this and future generations; that they be rightly vindicated before the world by a revelation of the whole truth.

Section 3. This Order is an institution of Chivalry, Humanity, Justice and Patriotism; embodying in its genius and principles all that is chivalric in conduct, noble in sentiment, generous in manhood, and patriotic in purpose. Its peculiar objects are: First, to protect the weak, the innocent, and the defenseless from the indignities, wrongs and outrages of the lawless, the violent and the brutal; to relieve the injured and the oppressed; to succor the suffering and unfortunate, especially widows and orphans. Second, to protect and defend the Constitution

of the United States of America, and all laws passed in conformity thereto, and to protect the States and the people thereof from all invasion of their rights from any source whatsoever. Third, to aid and assist in the execution of all constitutional laws, and to preserve the honor and dignity of the State by opposing tyranny, in any and every form or degree, from any and every source whatsoever, by a fearless and faithful administration of justice through due process of law; and to meet promptly and properly every behest of Duty without fear and without reproach.

TERRITORIAL JURISDICTIONS AND ASSEMBLIES.

ARTICLE III

Section 1. THE INVISIBLE EMPIRE: The phrase "Invisible Empire" in a material sense denotes the universal geographical jurisdiction of this Order and it shall embrace the whole world. The convention of the Invisible Empire shall be known as the Imperial Kloukation. The phrase "Invisible Empire" in a spiritual sense applies to all the secrets and secret knowledge and information, secret work and working and things of this Order,

and to all that has been, to all that now is and to all that is to be, the past, the present and the future, yesterday, today and forever; the dead of yesterday, the living of today and the contemplated of tomorrow, of the life that now is and of that which is to come.

Section 2. In a material sense, the territorial division of the Invisible Empire into a subordinate jurisdiction shall be known as a "Realm," and same shall embrace a State or States or a territorial possession of the United States of America, and shall derive its designation from that State or Territory which it embraces, and its number shall be given it in order of its formation. The convention of a Realm shall be known as the "Klorero."

Section 3. A territorial division of a Realm shall be known as a "Province," and shall embrace a county or a number of counties of a State. Provinces shall be designated by number. The convention of a Province shall be known as the "Klonverse."

Section 4. A "Klan" is the unit of this Order; it is the local or subordinate body, lodge, or organization, and its territorial jurisdiction shall be known as the "Klanton" which shall extend in all directions to a distance midway between the location of the Klan and the

nearest Klan thereto, except as otherwise designated by the Imperial Wizard or Grand Dragon of a Realm. The boundaries of a Klanton shall be fixed, so far as is possible, but, on the delivery of the Klan charter. A convention or an assembly of a Klan in secret session shall be known as the "Klonklave."

Section 5. All things and matters which do not exist within this Order or are not authorized by or do not come under its jurisdiction shall be designated as the "Alien World." All persons who are not members of this Order shall be designated as "Aliens."

MEMBERSHIP.

ARTICLE IV.

Section 1. The qualifications for membership in this Order shall be: An applicant must be a white male Gentile person, a native-born citizen of the United States of America who owes no allegiance of any nature or degree whatsoever to any foreign government, nation, institution, sect, ruler, prince, potentate, people or person; he must have attained the age of eighteen years, be of sound mind, good character, of commendable reputation and respectable vocation, a believer in the tenets of the Christian Religion, and one whose

allegiance, loyalty and devotion to the Government of the United States of America in all things is unquestionable. He must be a resident within the jurisdiction of the Klan to which he applies, for at least twelve months immediately preceding the date of his application for citizenship, provided, however, that special dispensation may be granted by the Grand Dragon of that Realm in organized Realms, or by the Imperial Wizard in unorganized States, to waive this condition.

Section 2. Applications for membership in this Order must be on a regular charter petition by charter applicants of a Klan, and on a regular application blank after a Klan has been chartered. The applicant must state whether he ever has applied for membership in this Order, and such application made to a chartered Klan must be endorsed by at least two Klansmen, or by a Kleagle or by the Imperial Wizard of this Order.

Section 3. The "Klectokon" (initiation fee) is given by an applicant and accepted by this Order as a donation to its propagation and general fund and not in the sense of purchasing membership in this Order by the applicant, and this donation must accompany each application for citizenship. The Klec-

token is a sum of money of not less than Ten (\$10.00) Dollars, nor more than Twenty-five (\$25.00) Dollars.

Section 4. All men who served as members of the Original Ku Klux Klan or rendered distinct service thereto, or who were so connected with similar organizations during the Reconstruction period of American history shall be admitted to full fellowship in this Order without payment of Klectokon or dues; provided, however, they individually qualify for membership under the requirements of Section 1, or this Article.

Section 5. An applicant's qualifications must be known before he is accepted for membership in this Order. Great care must be exercised on the part of a Kleagle or a Klan in ascertaining an applicant's qualifications under Section 1, of this Article.

EMPEROR OF THE INVISIBLE EMPIRE, HIS DUTIES AND PRIVILEGES.

ARTICLE V.

Section 1. The Emperor of the Invisible Empire shall have entire charge of Kloranic, Ritualistic and Philosophic work of this Or-

der, and he shall be an ex-officio member of all Imperial, Grand, Great and Klan bodies. His term of office shall be for life.

Section 2. In the event of a vacancy in his office, his successor shall be called and installed by the Grand Dragons of the various Realms, in the same manner as set forth in Article IX of this constitution.

Section 3. He shall create and cause to be promulgated all countersigns, pass words, ritualistic or kloranic work and secret signs, symbols and work of this Order. He shall design, or cause to be designed, all paraphernalia, regalia, uniforms, costumes, emblems, insignia, flags, banners, and jewelry for individual wear, honorary and official jewels, books, pamphlets and literature of this Order. All costumes, designs, symbols or other insignia officially adopted by this Order, whether created by him or not, shall be recognized as official, and shall be received by the members of this Order.

Section 4. He shall have the sole power to create all titles and honors within this Order on whomsoever he may elect, and shall issue and sign all certificates or diplomas relative thereto, and cause to be affixed thereon the great Imperial Seal of the Order.

THE IMPERIAL KLONVOKATION.

ARTICLE VI.

Section 1. The Imperial Klonvokation shall be the sole legislative body of this Order; therefore, it shall have original jurisdiction in all matters pertaining to creating and amending this Constitution and Laws, the regulation, government and general welfare of this Order. It shall have power to enact laws for the regulation of its own procedure, for the government of the Invisible Empire, Realms, Provinces and Klans, and for the general control and management of the business of this Order, and to provide penalties for the violation thereof. It shall have power to prescribe the rights, privileges, duties, and responsibilities of the Realms, Provinces and Klans, and of all officers and members of this Order, and finally to determine the same. The Imperial Klonvokation shall meet biennially in the month of September on day and at place to be fixed by the Imperial Wizard.

Section 2. The Imperial Klonvokation shall be composed of all Imperial Officers, the Grand Dragons and an elected delegate (Klepeer) from each organized Realm; the Great Titan,

and an elected delegate (Klepeer) from each Province. (Exalted Cyclops from Klans that are in good standing by reason of having paid all Imperial, Realm and Province taxes shall be entitled to one vote each therein, which cannot be delegated, and which shall be deducted from the total vote of their Realm). Each organized Realm (State) represented in the Klonyokation shall be entitled to one vote for each One Hundred or majority fraction thereof of Klansmen in good standing in that Realm at the end of the calendar quarter next preceding the meeting of the Imperial Klonyokation as shown by the records of the Imperial Palace. The Total vote of each Realm, after deducting the vote of the Exalted Cyclops present thus determined shall be equally divided among the representatives present at the Klonyokation. States not organized into Realms shall be entitled to one representative for each state who shall be elected by the Chartered Klans thereof and shall have same voting power as in Realms. Provided, however, that in no event shall the conditions of this section operate to increase the basis of representation for a State or Realm as hereinafter provided in this section of Article VI of the Constitution and Laws.

Courtesy cards may be issued entitling the holders of same to a seat outside the boundaries of the regular Klepeers' seats, the holders of the courtesy privilege, however, having no voting privilege and must be members in good standing, in Klans in good standing in the Imperial, Realm and Province funds.

Section 3. The active officers of the Imperial Klönvokation in convention assembled shall be a president and a secretary. The Imperial Kläliff shall be its president and the Imperial Kligrapp shall be its secretary and recording officer. Other Imperial Officers may act as chairmen of Committees, or constitute committees. All acts of the Klönvokation shall become effective within one hour after their passage unless vetoed by the Imperial Wizard within that time, in which event the Klönvokation may pass the act over the veto of the Imperial Wizard by three-fourths ($\frac{3}{4}$) vote of the said Klönvokation.

THE IMPERIAL KLONCILIUM.

ARTICLE VII

Section 1. The Imperial KlönCILium shall be the supreme advisory board of this Order and shall be composed of all the Imperial Officers named in Article VIII.

Section 2. The Imperial Kloucilium shall be the Supreme Tribunal of Justice of this Order and shall have full appellate jurisdiction to hear and finally determine all appeals of whatever nature presented to it affecting the relationship and constitutional rights and privileges of Realms and Provinces, and Klans and members of this Order in unorganized states.

Section 3. It shall have full power and authority, acting in the presence of the Imperial Wizard or his authorized representative, to act in the interim between sessions of the Imperial Klouvolation.

Section 4. It shall meet in regular session in the month of July each year on call of the Imperial Wizard, but special sessions may be held at any other time on call of the Imperial Wizard when same is deemed necessary by him or when he is requested in writing to do so by five members thereof.

Section 5. Nine members present, in person or by proxy, of the Imperial Kloucilium, including the Imperial Wizard, or his authorized representative, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of all matters coming before it, except where otherwise provided herein.

Section 6. Decisions of the Imperial Kloucilium on all matters of a judiciary nature coming before it for adjudication shall be final when same are ratified by the Imperial Wizard.

Section 7. Between the meetings of the Imperial Kloucilium, whenever, in the judgment of the Imperial Wizard, it shall become necessary for it to consider any matter or thing whatsoever, he may submit the matter to the members of the Imperial Kloucilium in writing by mail or otherwise, and their votes thereon shall be cast in writing by mail or otherwise within a time limit to be fixed by the Imperial Wizard.

Section 8. The Imperial Kligrapp shall be the Secretary and recording officer of the Imperial Kloucilium.

IMPERIAL OFFICERS.

ARTICLE VIII.

Section 1. Hereafter the Imperial officers of this Order shall be sixteen in number, and their official titles shall be as follows:

The Imperial Wizard (Supreme Chief Executive).

Imperial Klaliff (Supreme 1st Vice-Pres.).

Imperial Klazik (Supreme 2nd Vice-Pres.).

Imperial Klokard (Supreme Lecturer).
Imperial Kludd (Supreme Chaplain).
Imperial Kligrapp (Supreme Secretary).
Imperial Klabee (Supreme Treasurer).
Imperial Kladd (Supreme Conductor).
Imperial Klarogo (Supreme Inner-Guard).
Imperial Klexter (Supreme Outer-Guard).
Imperial Klonsel (Supreme Attorney).
Imperial Night-Hawk (Supreme Courier).
and four Imperial Klokann (Constituting a
Board of Auditors and supreme advisors).
These shall be known as the Imperial
Wizard and his fifteen GENII.

IMPERIAL WIZARD.

ARTICLE IX.

Section 1. The Imperial Wizard is the supreme chief executive of this Order. He shall be elected by the Grand Dragons. To elect the Imperial Wizard, the Grand Dragons shall meet in executive session upon the call of the Imperial Kligrapp. Each Grand Dragon shall cast as his vote the number of votes representing his Realm, in the Klönvokation as shown by the records of the Imperial Palace on the first day of the quarter on which election is held; this vote

to be ascertained in the same manner as set forth in Section V, Article 6. If no result is determined after three ballots all names must be dropped except the three receiving the highest number of votes; if no result is determined at the end of three more ballots, all names must be dropped except the two receiving the highest number of votes. No nomination shall be made. No motions except a motion to recess shall be entertained during said election. No adjournment shall be taken until after the completion of the election. Any Klansman in good standing in any Klan in good standing as determined by the records of the Imperial Palace is eligible to be chosen Imperial Wizard. While the Grand Dragons are in session for the purpose of electing an Imperial Wizard, they are prohibited from having any communication of any nature whatsoever with anyone outside of their meeting from the time they are called to order until they have finally elected an Imperial Wizard.

Section 2. The Imperial Wizard shall hold office for a period of four years or until his successor is elected and installed. He shall be removed for just cause by the Imperial Kloucilium after charges have been preferred

and a trial held, upon a three-fourths vote of said body, in session assembled, subject to the approval of the Grand Dragons who shall be immediately convened in executive session by the Imperial Kligrapp.

Section 3. Upon the death or removal of the Imperial Wizard from office, the Imperial Klaliff shall immediately succeed to that office and shall govern until a successor to the Imperial Wizard is installed. In the event the Imperial Wizard is removed from office, a successor shall be named at the earliest possible date thereafter, consistent with careful judgment in the selection.

DUTIES, PREROGATIVES AND POWERS OF THE IMPERIAL WIZARD.

ARTICLE X.

Section 1. Being the Supreme Chief Executive of this Order, the Imperial Wizard shall have and hold supreme authority and power within this Constitution in all administrative matters, and to act in any and all matters not prescribed in this Constitution, when in his judgment the best interest of this Order warrants. He may delegate such authority to his subordinate executives or administra-

tive officers as he may deem necessary, but the Imperial Authority of this Order shall ever center and be vested in him and shall not be divided.

Section 2. He shall specify the duties of all officers regardless of rank or station, of whatever department, bureau, or division, other than those duties enumerated in this Constitution, and shall require such duties to be properly performed on penalty of removal from office.

Section 3. He shall issue charters for Klans, specify conditions on which charters shall be issued, and shall have the power to open and close charters of Klans in his discretion or upon request of a Klan. He shall have full and unchallengeable authority and power to suspend or revoke charters of Klans, for cause.

Section 4. He shall promulgate all countersigns and passwords, and any and all other secret signs and work of this Order, created by the Emperor.

Section 5. He shall have supreme supervision over all departments of this Order.

Section 6. He shall have full authority to issue decrees, edicts, mandates, rulings and instructions covering any matter not spe-

cifically set forth in this Constitution, or emphasizing any matter of this Constitution, and all such decrees, edicts, mandates, rulings and instructions must be respected and obeyed promptly and faithfully by all members of this Order on penalty of banishment.

Section 7. He shall manufacture, or cause to be manufactured, all paraphernalia, regalia, uniforms, costumes, emblems, insignia, flags, banners, jewelry for individual wear, jewels for official use, clerical forms, books, pamphlets, literature, advertising matter stationery, etc., etc., and no other design, emblem, insignia or form or thing, article or articles shall be recognized, countenanced or used by this Order or any member of same. All designs, emblems or other insignia officially adopted by the Emperor whether created by him or not, shall be recognized as official and duly respected by all members of this Order.

Section 8. He shall request of the Imperial Klonvokation such legislation as he deems wise for the best interest of this Order in its government, regulation and promulgation.

Section 9. He shall have full power and authority to remove from office at any time any officer of this Order, other than an Im-

perial Officer, of any rank or station or capacity, or any employee whomsoever, on the ground of incompetency, disloyalty, neglect of duty, or for unbecoming conduct.

Section 10. He shall have full authority and power to appoint all Imperial Officers and Grand Dragons, and their terms of office shall be designated by him unless otherwise provided for herein.

Section 11. He shall have and hold full and original authority and power, office and title of "Supreme Kléagle," and is fully authorized and empowered to solicit applicants for membership in this Order, to collect and receipt for Kléctokons, and admit to membership, in this Order, any person or any number of persons at any time and in any place he may choose, provided such person or persons qualify under the requirements of Article IV, Section 1, of this Constitution.

Section 12. He shall issue and sign all commissions or other credentials of this order in promulgating same, and affix the Imperial Seal thereto; and he shall contract, in the name of this Order, with other members for its extension, financing, management, operation and business interests, and shall fix the compensation therefor.

Section 13. Whenever a question of paramount importance to the interest, well-being or prosperity of this Order arises, not provided for in this Constitution, he shall have full power and authority to determine such question, and his decision, which he shall report to the Imperial Klönvokation if requested, shall be final.

DUTIES OF IMPERIAL OFFICERS.

ARTICLE XI.

Section 1 IMPERIAL KLALIFF: Is the second highest officer of this Order; he shall be the president of the Imperial Klönvokation, and perform such other duties as may be required by the Imperial Wizard.

Section 2. IMPERIAL KLAZIK: Is the second vice-president of this Order, and he shall be the executive head of the department of Realms, and shall perform such other duties as may be required by the Imperial Wizard.

Section 3. IMPERIAL KLOKARD: The duties of the Imperial Klokard shall be to disseminate Klankraft, and perform such duties as may be required by the Imperial Wizard.

Section 4. IMPERIAL KLUDD: Is the Chaplain of the Imperial Klonyokation and shall perform such other duties as may be required by the Imperial Wizard.

Section 5. IMPERIAL KLIGRAPP: Is the Supreme Secretary and recording officer of this Order. He shall be in charge of secretarial work and shall be the custodian of the Imperial records and the Imperial Seal. He shall receive and receipt for all funds coming from any source whatsoever. He shall transmit all such funds in his possession to the Imperial Klabeer (Supreme Treasurer) at the close of each day, taking his receipt therefor. He shall be the secretary of the Imperial Klonyokation and shall act as secretary of the Imperial Klonyokation and shall have general supervision of all the clerical work and workings. He shall keep an accurate account of the receipts and disbursements. He shall sign all papers, vouchers and other documents requiring his signature or attestation. He shall prepare and submit a report of the workings of his office to each session of the Imperial Klonyokation. He shall furnish the Imperial Klonyokation when requested with such information as they desire with reference to his office. He shall give bond for the faithful and

honest performance of the duties of his office in some reliable bonding or surety company in the sum of \$25,000.00, the said bond to be approved by the Imperial Kloucilium. He shall not assume the duties of his office until all these requirements are complied with.

Section 6. IMPERIAL KLABEE: Is the Supreme Treasurer of this Order and is, therefore, the custodian of its funds. It shall be his duty to demand of the Imperial Kligrapp at the close of each day all funds received by the Imperial Kligrapp and he shall receipt the Imperial Kligrapp therefor, and make a deposit of funds once each day in some bank or banks, designated by the Imperial Kloucilium. These funds shall be carried in the name of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan and shall be paid out only upon the signature of the Imperial Klabee, countersigned by the Imperial Wizard. He shall keep an accurate record of all receipts and disbursements made by him, and shall make a full and complete report of the receipts and disbursements of his office to the Imperial Kloucilium at its regular annual meeting, and to the Imperial Kloukation at its regular meeting. He shall perform such other duties as may be required of him by the Imperial Wiz-

ard. For the faithful and honest performance of his duties he shall give bond in some bonding or surety company to be approved by the Imperial Kloucilium in a sum not less than \$50,000.00. The amount of this bond may be increased at any time by the Imperial Kloucilium.

Section 7. IMPERIAL KLADD: Shall perform such duties as may be required of him by the Imperial Wizard.

Section 8. IMPERIAL KLAROGO: Is inner guard at all Imperial Kloucilium and Imperial Kloukation meetings and shall perform such other duties as may be required by the Imperial Wizard.

Section 9. IMPERIAL KLEXTER: Is outer guard at all meetings of the Imperial Kloucilium and Imperial Kloukation, and shall perform such other duties as may be required by the Imperial Wizard.

Section 10. IMPERIAL KLONSEL: Is Supreme Attorney or legal advisor of this Order and shall perform such other duties as may be required by the Imperial Wizard.

Section 11. IMPERIAL NIGHT-HAWK: Is the head of the department of Investigation, and shall perform such other duties as may be required by the Imperial Wizard.

Section 12. THE IMPERIAL KLOKANN: Is the Supreme Board of Auditors and Special Advisors. It shall be composed of four members, each of whom shall bear the official title of "Imperial Klokann." The chairman of this board shall be known as "Chief Imperial Klokann." The duties of this Board shall be to audit the books, records and reports of the Imperial Kligrapp and the Imperial Kiabee and the clerical records of this Order, and to make a written report at each regular session of the Imperial Klönvokation and the Imperial Klönzilium. It shall recommend to the Imperial Wizard such plans and methods as it deems wise for the welfare of this Order, and it shall perform such other duties as may be required of it, and each member thereof, individually, shall perform such other duties as may be required of him by the Imperial Wizard.

KLEAGLES AND GIANTS.

ARTICLE XII.

Section 1. A Kleagle is an organizer or field worker of this Order, and shall be appointed only by or under the direct or delegated authority of the Imperial Wizard, and

shall work by and under his requirements and instructions.

Section 2. The Imperial Wizard, being by virtue of his office the Supreme Kleagle, shall have full power and authority to commission and appoint members of this Order as Kleagles, and he shall have full power to remove from office any Kleagle of any rank, grade or station whatsoever.

Section 3. All authority, power, privileges and prerogatives that may be vested in, or conferred upon the office of Kleagle of any rank below the Supreme Kleagle shall be derived from the Supreme Kleagle and delegated by him only, and same must be evidenced by a documentary commission setting forth such authority and power so delegated.

Section 4. Kleagles of whatever rank below the Supreme Kleagle shall be employed under contract stipulations, and they shall give bond in some reliable bonding or security company in such amount as may be required by the Imperial Wizard.

Section 5. Kleagles of whatever rank, grade, or station must thoroughly familiarize themselves with the Kloran, laws, principals, objects, history, usages and mannerism; of

this Order, and must be able to demonstrate same in an intelligent and proficient manner.

Section 6. The title of Giant may apply by gradation to all officers who have served one or more terms as the chief executive officer of the Invisible Empire and of subordinate jurisdictions thereof. A Klan Giant is one who has served as Exalted Cyclops; a Great Giant is one who has served as Great Titan; a Grand Giant is one who has served as Grand Dragon; an Imperial Giant is one who has served as Imperial Wizard. The title is not conferred on an officer until his successor has been duly installed. The title Giant shall in all cases be conferred upon the recommendation of the next officer above in rank. This honorary title shall be conferred in recognition of regular and faithful services performed as prescribed by the Constitution and Laws of this Order. The Grand Dragon of a Realm shall, at all times, keep in his office a list of the Giants in that Realm and shall, whenever possible, use such Giants for special service.

PARAPHERNALIA, REGALIA, EMBLEMS, ENSIGNS, INSIGNIA, ETC.

ARTICLE XIII.

Section 1. All ensigns, standards, flags or banners, and all emblems, insignia, paraphernalia, regalia, uniforms, and costumes, and all designs thereof of our original Society—the Ku Klux Klan—are retained and officially re-adopted as property of this order under its now incorporate name of Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

Section 2. All designs, ensigns, flags, standards, banners, emblems, insignia, seals, paraphernalia, regalia, uniforms, costumes, etc., and all clerical forms or matters to be printed, shall be adapted by or designed by or under the directions of the Emperor only.

Section 3. All articles, designs and things referred to or implied in Sections 1 and 2, above, and Article X, Section 10, of this constitution, and all property, real and personal, shall ever be and remain the property of this Order and such supplies can only be procured from the Imperial Wizard by the required requisition therefor, and this also shall apply to all supplies used by any subordinate juris-

diction, and any and all jewelry or other articles used by a member.

Section 4. Any article or thing, regardless of form, or of what material it shall be made, or for what purpose it shall be made, or to what use it shall be subjected, if it bears an emblem or an insignia of this Order, shall belong to and is the property of this order; and such articles or things cannot legally bear an emblem, insignia, or design of this Order without written authority of the Imperial Wizard, and can only be procured through him, and can be used only by a member or by such person or persons properly coming under the protection of this Order by authority of the Imperial Wizard. If such article or thing or other property be intrusted to or permitted to be in the possession of a member, or other person, as set forth above, it must be surrendered on official demand by an Exalted Cyclops or the Imperial Wizard. If a member has in his possession any article of property of this Order, and voluntarily discontinues his membership, or is banished from membership, or in any other manner his connection with this Order is severed, such article or articles, thing or things, must be immediately returned or surrendered by him to an Exalted

Cyclops, Great Titan, Grand Dragon, or to the Imperial Wizard, and he shall be given a receipt for same. Upon his failure to do so within thirty days the Exalted Cyclops or other officer shall take action necessary to regain the actual possession of such article or articles. All rights, privileges and use of all such designs, emblems, insignia, etc., cited or implied above, are strictly reserved by this Order.

Section 5. It shall be unlawful for any person or persons, company, firm or corporation, to manufacture or cause to be manufactured, catalog or cause to be cataloged, advertise or cause to be advertised, sell or offer for sale or cause same to be done, any article or design whatsoever of this Order, or anything used by or properly belonging to this Order, unless such person or persons, company, firm or corporation, be duly licensed by the Imperial Wizard to manufacture, advertise or sell such article, designs or things, and even then, only by a strict adherence to the conditions, restrictions and directions specified in said license.

Section 6. It shall be unlawful for any member of this Order to purchase, cause to be purchased, or otherwise come into posses-

sion of any article or property of this Order from any person, company, firm or corporation, without authority to do so from the Imperial Wizard; he can procure such article from the Imperial Wizard only by making requisition therefor, and remitting the amount of money required. It shall be unlawful for any subordinate jurisdiction to procure any article or property of this Order, or any supplies, etc., used by it from any other source than the Imperial Wizard, or by his authority.

Section 7. If an unauthorized person shall have in his possession any article, or property of this Order, and this fact shall become known to a member, it shall be the sworn duty of such member to regain for this Order the actual possession of such article without delay; his failure to do so will jeopardize his membership.

COSTUMES, SEALS, ENSIGNS, SYMBOLS, ETC.

ARTICLE XIV.

Section 1. **KLAN PARAPHERNALIA:** Shall consist of altar furnishings as per

Kloran, and such account books, forms and other things as are necessary.

Section 2. COSTUMES: The official costume of this Order, shall be a white robe of light weight cotton cloth, made with cape of same material, and of proper length, with white girdle around waist, and insignia of this Order worn on the left breast. The cowl or helmet shall be made of same material as the robe, and with whatever material necessary to give it the proper stiffness, and so made that it will be collapsible, and when worn shall be of a cone shape. There shall be one red tassel attached to the peak of same. There shall be an apron of the same material in both the front and rear, so as to completely conceal the identity of the wearer. The front apron shall have two holes of the proper size and location to facilitate the vision of the wearer. This shall be known as the Klansman's robe or costume. Costumes to be worn by active officers, of whatever rank or station, shall be of such design, and made of such material, and with the use of such colors, as may be prescribed by the Emperor.

Section 3. EMBLEMS AND SYMBOLS:

Shall be such as may be designated or authorized by the Emperor.

Section 4. ENSIGNS, FLAGS AND STANDARDS: The official ensigns, flags, and standards of this Order, together with all official banners, shall be of such shape, size and design as may be authorized by the Emperor.

Section 5. THE GRAND ENSIGN: The "Grand Ensign" or Banner of this Order shall be in the form of an isosceles triangle, five feet long and three feet wide at the staff. The material shall be yellow, with a red scalloped border about three inches in width. There shall be painted upon it in black, A Dracovolans, or Flying Dragon, with the following motto inscribed on it: "Quod Semper, quod ubique, quod ab omnibus." The tongue shall be painted in red with an arrow head end. The tail shall also end with an arrow head.

Section 6. SEAL: There shall be a Seal of this Order, which shall be known as the Great Imperial Seal. It shall bear the words, "Imperial Seal—Knights of the Ku Klux Klan," and shall be of such design as the Emperor shall direct. Each chartered Klan of this Order shall have a Seal bearing the

name, number, and Realm of the Klan, together with the name of this Order, "Knights of the Ku Klux Klan," and shall be of such design as directed by the Emperor. This Seal must be procured by the Klan immediately after it shall have been chartered. Seals to be used by the various subordinate jurisdictions shall bear the name—"Knights of the Ku Klux Klan," and be of such design as the Emperor may direct.

Section 7. KLIKON AND SYMBOLS: The Klikon is the Sacred Picture of this Order, and as such must be rigidly safeguarded by whatever Klan or Klansman to whom it may be intrusted. The various symbols of this Order, used in its several Kloranic Orders, shall be such as are designed and authorized by the Emperor.

REVENUES AND PROPERTY TITLES.

ARTICLE XV.

Section 1. The revenues of this Order shall consist of: First, a percentage of each and every klectokon, whether paid to a klan or to a Kleagle; such percentage to be determined by the Imperial Wizard. Second, a per capita

tax, which shall be known as the Imperial Tax; which shall be a sum of money not to exceed fifteen (15c) cents per capita per month. Third, all profits realized from the placing of paraphernalia, regalia, supplies, jewelry, uniforms, costumes, stationery, and any and all other articles used in the work of this Order or by any member. Fourth, all interest accruing on investments made by this Order.

Section 2. The Imperial Tax shall begin with the month immediately succeeding the month in which a Klan is chartered, and is due and payable on the first day of each calendar quarter thereafter; the Kligrapp of each Klan shall remit the same with his regular quarterly report—his failure to do so will subject the charter of that Klan to suspension or cancellation. The Imperial Tax is hereby levied upon each and every Klan now chartered and which may be hereafter chartered, and the Imperial Wizard has full authority and power to collect same.

Section 3. The revenues of a Realm shall consist of: First, such portion of the Imperial revenue received from that Realm as may be fixed by proclamation of the Imperial Wizard. Second, a per capita tax, to be known as a

Province Tax, in such amount as the Klonverse of each Province may determine, in no case to be less than 8 1-3 cents per month.

REALMS.

ARTICLE XVI.

Section 1. A Realm may be organized within a state or states of the United States, or other territorial sub-division when recommended by a committee of three Realm Officers from other States appointed by the Imperial Klazik for that purpose.

Section 2. A Realm is organized on the declaration of the Imperial Wizard, and with such declaration he shall appoint and name all officers thereof and shall furnish laws and regulations for the government of that Realm, and such appointment of officers and such laws if not in conflict with this Constitution, shall be effective until the convention of the initial Klorero of that Realm after its organization; at which time the Klorero will proceed to elect all of its elective officers, and adopt laws for the government of that Realm, but such laws adopted and such elections held shall not be inconsistent with this Constitution and the laws of this Order. Such laws

and amendments of laws adopted at this time or at any future Klorero must be ratified by the Grand Dragon and the Imperial Wizard before the same become effective as law.

Section 3. The Klorero of a Realm shall be composed of all Grand Officers of provinces within that Realm, and five Kleepers from each Province in said Realm. Grand Officers, Great Titans and Great Officers shall be entitled to one vote each. The five Kleepers shall be entitled to one vote for each one hundred Klansmen or major fraction thereof in good standing within the province that they represent, said Kleepers present to divide this vote equally. Exalted Cyclops shall have the same voting rights, and under the same conditions as in the Klonvokation.

Section 4. The Klorero shall possess no power to interfere with the Imperial Wizard in his plans and purposes in the promulgation of this Order within its respective bounds.

Section 5. The Klorero shall provide its own revenue to meet the expenses of its convention and clerical obligations.

Section 6. The officers of a Realm shall be a Grand Dragon, who shall be President of the Klorero; he shall be appointed by the Imperial Wizard for a term of office designated

In his appointment or during faithful service and good behavior, and shall govern his Realm in a manner not inconsistent with this Constitution, or the instructions and directions of his Imperial Klazik; Grand Klaliff, second highest officer of a Realm, who shall be vice-president of the Klorero; Grand Klo-kard lecturer; Grand Kludd, chaplain; Grand Kligrapp, secretary; Grand Klabee, treasurer; Grand Kladd, conductor; Grand Klarogo, inner guard; Grand Klexter, outer guard; and a Grand Night-Hawk. These shall be known as the Grand Dragon and his nine Hydras. Officers of a Realm, other than the Grand Dragon, shall be elected by the Klorero on the nomination of the Grand Dragon, and such election must be ratified by the Imperial Klazik prior to their installation.

Section 7. The Grand Dragon and Great Titans of each Realm shall be required to meet *en banc* on the third Monday of July of each year. The first meeting to be held on the third Monday of July, 1923, at a place designated by the Imperial Klazik. The object of the meeting is to discuss Klan problems and to suggest solutions therefor.

PROVINCES.

ARTICLE XVII.

Section 1. The Grand Dragon shall designate the bounds of a Province in his Realm and shall form new Provinces as the development warrants, but in number not to exceed six Provinces in any one Realm, except by permission of the Imperial Wizard, Desiring to form a Province he shall procure permission from the Imperial Klazik. Upon receipt of such permission he shall notify all Klans to be incorporated in that Province, naming the officers appointed by him, and formally declaring such Province formed, and report immediately such formation to the Imperial Klazik.

Section 2. At the initial convention of a Klaverse of a Province; the elective officers of that Province shall be elected, but such election must be ratified by the Grand Dragon of that Realm, and such officers elected and ratified shall be installed by the Grand Dragon or by his duly appointed deputy, and they shall govern the Province under the direction and instructions of the Grand Dragon.

Section 3. A Klaverse shall be composed of all the Grand Officers of the Realm; all

Great Officers of that Province and **four Kleepers** from each **Klan** in good standing in that Province. The **Grand Officers** and **Great Officers** shall each be entitled to one vote. The **Kleepers** shall be entitled to one vote for each one hundred **Klansmen** or major fraction thereof in good standing in their **Klan** and they shall divide the vote of their **Klan** equally.

Section 4. The officers of a Province shall hereafter be: A **Great Titan**, the highest officer of a Province, and **President** of the **Klonverse**; three **great Klaliks**, who shall compose an **Advisory Board**; a **Great Kilgrapp**, secretary; a **Great Klabee**, treasurer; a **Great Kludd**, champion; and a **Great Night-Hawk**. These officers shall be known as the **Great Titan** and his **Seven Furies**, and their terms of office shall be from the date of their installation until the next convention of the **Klonverse**, or until their successors shall have been elected and installed.

Section 5. The **Great Titan** of a Province shall be appointed by the **Grand Dragon** of the **Realm**, with the consent and approval of the **Imperial Klazik**, but all other officers of a Province shall be elected by the **Klonverse** on the nomination of the **Great Titan**.

Section 6. The function of the **Klonverse** is social and fraternal, for the purpose of promoting good fellowship within the bounds of that Province, and stimulating and developing interest in this Order, and its mission and work.

Section 7. The **Klonverse** shall meet in regular session each calendar year, at such place as it may select, and at such time as the **Great Titan** may designate—provided the **Klonverse** must hold its session at least thirty days prior to the convention of the **Klorero** of that Realm.

KLANS.

ARTICLE XVIII.

Section 1-a. In States having a perfected Realm organization, the **Grand Dragon** shall designate the location of new **Klans** to be instituted, and shall stipulate the number of charter petitioners necessary to institute a new **Klan**.

Section 1-b. In States having no Realm organization, the **King Kleagle** shall be the judge of the location and number of petitioners necessary to institute a new **Klan**.

Section 2. The **Kleagle** in charge of the organization of a **Klan** shall remain in charge

and be responsible until that Klan is duly chartered and its officers elected and installed.

Section 3-a. Upon the organization of a Klan, a vote shall be had on the petitioners, and if there be three negative votes cast on the ballot as a whole, then an individual ballot shall be had by balloting on the petitioners one at a time, three negative ballots rejecting. After a Klan has been organized and prior to the issuance and closing of its charter, charter applicants must be submitted to the Klan in klonklave assembled; if any Klansman present knows any just reason that disqualifies an applicant for membership, he must rise to his feet and challenge that applicant and state his reasons for so doing; this done, the Provisional Exalted Cyclops, or the Kleagle in charge acting as such, shall refer the application to the Klokann and the Klokann shall investigate the application on the basis of the grounds of objection, and they shall report on such applicant at the next subsequent klonklave, if possible, or at the very earliest possible date thereafter, at which klonklave final action shall be taken. An applicant who has been finally rejected cannot apply again until after the expiration of twelve months from date of rejection. If

after a careful investigation the Klokann finds that the objector was in error, they shall report accordingly and recommend the passage of the applicant, and the Klan shall take definite and final action on the report of the Klokann.

Section 3-b. Applications for membership in chartered Klans shall be read three times in klonklave assembled, and opportunity given each member present to make objections. All objections may be made in writing, signed by the objector and delivered to the Klokann, whose duty it shall be to investigate the objections and make their findings and report the same to the Klan body for its adoption or rejection. All petitions must be made in writing on Form K-115.

Section 3-c. An applicant who has been finally rejected cannot apply again until after the expiration of twelve months from date of rejection and shall be within the jurisdiction of that Klan for a period of three years. Provided, however, upon request of the Klokann of that Klan through regular channels the Grand Dragon of organized Realms or the Imperial Wizard in unorganized States, a special dispensation may be granted ordering another ballot taken immediately.

Section 4. A Klansman who presents the name of an applicant for membership in this Order must know the applicant personally and be familiar with his qualifications according to this Constitution and Laws. All members of a Klan must faithfully guard the portal of the Invisible Empire so that no person not qualified to enter therein shall be admitted.

Section 5. In the event a petitioner or an applicant is denied membership in this Order, the sum of his Klectokon shall be immediately returned to him by the Kleagle, if same was collected by him, or by the Kligrapp of the Klan if same was paid into the Klan.

Section 6. All actions of a Klan in rejecting an applicant for membership, as to the votes cast, and by whom objections were made, are a positive secret of this Order; members who have knowledge of same and divulge or intimate in the slightest degree or cause such knowledge to be in any way communicated to any person not a member, shall be at once banished from the Invisible Empire for the violation of his oath on the ground of treason.

Section 7. When the required number of charter petitioners have been obtained in a community where a Klan is to be located, the Kleagle will immediately forward a regular

petition for the issuance of charter to the Imperial Wizard through the regular channels. Such petition must give the name selected for that Klan, time of the meetings of regular klonklave and must be signed by the Kleagle in charge or the officers, giving the address of that Klan.

Section 8. The Klan charter shall contain the following text:

**IMPERIAL PALACE INVISIBLE EMPIRE
KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN,
INCORPORATED.**

**TO ALL WHO READ AND RESPECT
THESE LINES,
GREETING:**

WHEREAS, the Imperial Wizard has received a petition from the following named citizens of the Invisible Empire.....

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.....
et al., praying for themselves and others and their successors to be instituted a Klan of the Order under the name and number of.....

.....
Klan Number....., Realm of.....
and same to be located at

in the county of.....

State of

United States of America, and they having given assurance of their fidelity to this Order and their competency to render the service required, and their ready willingness to take upon themselves and their successors the duties and responsibilities thereof, and their serious determined purpose to rightly use and not abuse the powers, privileges and prerogatives conferred on them as such, and be faithful and true in all things committed to them;

Now know ye that I, the Imperial Wizard of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, on this the..... day of

month of the Year of our Lord, 19.....; and

on theday of the.....

Week of the.....Month of the Year of the Klan....., and in the

.....Cycle of the Third Reign of our reincarnation, under the authority possessed by me, do issue this Charter to the aforesaid petitioners, their associates and successors, under the name and number aforesaid, from the day and date hereon, and same is effective from the date of its acceptance by said Klan as certified below.

The said Klan is hereby authorized and empowered to do and to perform all such acts and things as are prescribed by the Kloran, Laws, Imperial Decrees, Edicts, Mandates and Usages of the Order, and to enjoy all the rights, privileges and prerogatives authorized by the Constitution thereof; and all Klansmen are strictly enjoined to valiantly preserve and persistently practice the principles of pure Patriotism, Honor, Klanishness and White Supremacy, ever keeping in mind and heart the sacred sentiment, peculiar purpose, manly mission, and lofty ideals and objects of this Order, a devoted loyalty to their Emperor and their Imperial Wizard—a steadfast obedience to the Constitution of this Order, a faithful keeping of their "Oath of Allegiance," and a constant, unwavering fidelity to every interest of the Invisible Empire, to the end that progress, power, purpose and influence of Klankraft be properly promoted, the knowledge of the faithful, self-sacrificing service and noble achievements of our Fathers be not lost to posterity, and all those things for which this, our beloved Order, is founded to do and perform and to protect, and to preserve and to perpetuate, be diligently done and scrupulously maintained, and

that they be blameless in preserving the grace, dignity and intent of this Charter forever.

I solemnly charge you to hold fast to the dauntless faith of our Fathers and to keep their spotless memory secure and unstained, and true to the traditions of our valiant sires, meet every behest of Duty, in all the relationships of life and living, promptly and properly, without fault, without fail, without fear and without reproach.

The Imperial Wizard has and holds the full and unchallengeable authority, right and power to cancel, suspend or revoke this Charter, and to annul all the rights, powers, prerogatives, and immunities conferred hereby, for the neglect or the refusal on the part of the said Klan to conform to and comply with the Kloran Constitution, and Laws of this Order, and the Imperial Decrees, Edicts, Mandates, Rulings and Instructions thereof, or its failure to respect the usages of this Order as proclaimed by and maintained under the Imperial Authority of same.

In testimony whereof I, the Imperial Wizard of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, have caused to be affixed hereon the Great Imperial Seal of the Invisible Empire, and do hereunto set by hand and impress my official seal,

and same is duly attested—"Non Silba Sed Anthar."

Done in the Executive Chambers of his Lordship, the Imperial Wizard, in the Imperial Palace, in the Imperial City of Atlanta, Commonwealth of Georgia, United States of America, on the day and date above written.

BY HIS LORDSHIP,

.....
**IMPERIAL WIZARD, OF THE INVISIBLE
EMPIRE, KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX
KLAN:**

.....
IMPERIAL KLIGRAPP.

CERTIFICATE OF ACCEPTANCE:

This certifies that this Charter was read to and duly adopted by above named Klan, in session assembled, with all stipulations and conditions herein stated or implied, on the

..... day of

A. D., 19.....AK.....

**Exalted Cyclops of Above Named Klan.
(Witness)**

Section 9. Upon the receipt of the charter, the Kleagle or the Provisional Exalted Cyclops shall notify, or cause to be notified, the members of the Klan to assemble at the earliest convenient time in klonklave, at which klonklave the charter shall be read and accepted by the Klan and a record made in the minutes of the Klan. The charter of the Klan is then closed and the Klan will proceed to elect its elective officers, exercising care to select officers who are competent and fitted for the respective offices. This done the service of the Kleagle terminates with this Klan. The Klan proceeds at once to supply itself with a seal and with adequate and suitable by-laws for its government and the regulation of its affairs and for the rigid protection and interests of this Order within its Klanton.

Section 10. By-laws of the Klan shall not conflict with or be inconsistent with the Constitution and Laws of this Order, and after same have been prepared by the Klan they must be immediately sent to the Imperial Wizard or Grand Dragon to be approved and ratified by him, corrected and amended by him if necessary and upon his ratification such

by-laws become effective as law for the regulation of that Klan.

Section 11. The charter of a Klan may be reopened by the Grand Dragon of a Realm or by the Imperial Wizard upon a request by the Klan, signed by its Exalted Cyclops and Kligrapp. When a charter is reopened, the Grand Dragon or the Imperial Wizard will provide a Kleagle for this Klan for work under their direction.

Section 12. The elective officers of a Klan shall hereafter be as follows: The Exalted Cyclops, president; Klaliff, vice-president; Klokard, lecturer; Kludd, Chaplain; Kligrapp, secretary; Klabee, treasurer; Kladd, conductor; Klarogo, inner guard; Klexter, outer guard; Night-Hawk, in charge of candidates; and three Klokann, board of investigators, auditors and advisers, each of whom shall bear the title of "Klokan." These shall be known as the Exalted Cyclops and his twelve Terrors.

Section 13. The term of office for officers of a Klan shall be for twelve months or until their successors have been elected and installed. Officers of a Klan shall be nominated in the klonklave immediately preceding the anniversary (May 6th) day, and elected at

the klonklave immediately succeeding the anniversary day, each year, and installed in the first klonklave in the month of July.

Section 14. An officer of a Klan elected and who is absent on the night of installation shall be installed at the next klonklave, and if he should be absent from this klonklave, he shall be notified to be present at the next klonklave for installation; then if he fails to present himself and has no providential excuse, his office shall be declared vacant by the Exalted Cyclops and the Klan shall proceed to elect at that klonklave a member to fill that vacancy, and such member elected shall be installed at that klonklave.

Section 15. Officers-elect shall not in any case be installed unless their Klan dues are paid up to and including the calendar quarter of installation and their respective offices shall become vacated, if, at any time, their Klan dues become in arrears, and no Klan installation of officers shall be recognized within the Invisible Empire as being official unless that Klan be in good standing with the Imperial Palace, Realm and Province offices.

Section 16. When a Klan becomes in arrears in payment of its Imperial, Realm or

Provincial tax for a period of one hundred days, its several offices are automatically vacated, its members denied visiting privileges in other Klans, and its acts subsequent thereto are invalid unless the time is extended by the Grand Dragon in organized Realms or the Imperial Wizard in unorganized Realms, either of whom shall have the authority to order a complete audit of this Klan's affairs at the expense of the local Klan. Such Klan shall not be entitled to representation in any Klonverse, Klorero or Imperial Klonvokation. It shall be the duty of all Grand Dragons of Realms and Great Titans of Provinces to file with the Imperial Kligrapp, at least ten days preceding the Klonvokation, a list of all Klans in their respective territories which have paid their realm or Province tax, and the numerical strength of the individual Klans.

Section 17. Immediately upon the election of officers the Kligrapp shall transmit the names of officers-elect to the Great Titan of the Province for ratification. Upon ratifying such officers-elect, the Great Titan shall immediately forward a copy of the list, together with his ratification, to the Grand Dragon of that Realm, who shall in turn file a copy in his office and transmit a copy immediately to

the Imperial Kligrapp. No officer-elect shall be inducted into office unless he be worthy and well qualified to fulfill the duties of that office and his election duly ratified by the Great Titan or Grand Dragon.

Section 18. Klan dues shall be paid in advance. A new member shall begin paying dues the month immediately succeeding the month in which he was naturalized. A member failing to pay his dues for three successive months shall be automatically suspended from the Klan and his name dropped from the roll and he shall be so reported in the next quarterly report. Upon the payment of his arrears he shall be automatically reinstated and shall be so reported by the Kligrapp in his next quarterly report.

Section 19. Each and every member naturalized in this Order must supply himself with a robe and helmet by sending, through his Kligrapp, his measurement and the required fee for same. This robe and helmet shall be his and his only just so long as he is a member of this Order in good standing. Upon his voluntarily quitting this Order, or his being suspended or banished, for any cause, he shall return to the Exalted Cyclops his robe and helmet without delay, along with any other

emblem, insignia or other property of this Order in his possession; all monies such member has paid were accepted as a guarantee of good faith, and same are forfeited by him.

Section 20. A Klan under any and all circumstances shall accord full respect to its charter, and thereby strictly observe the Constitution and Laws, mannerisms, usages and Kloranic (ritualistic) regulations and requirements of this Order as same are promulgated by the Imperial Wizard; and shall give due respect and obedience to all Imperial, Realm and Provincial decrees, edicts, mandates, rulings and instructions issued by the said officers; and failure on the part of a Klan to do so shall be cause for revocation of its charter and the suspension of its entire membership from this Order.

Section 21. A Klan shall meet in klonklave at least once every month and gather promptly at the hour agreed upon. Six members of a Klan shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business at any regular klonklave.

Section 22. Special klonklaves may be held at any time whenever same are deemed necessary by the Exalted Cyclops or when he is

requested to do so by twenty-five per cent of the membership in good standing and ten per cent in cases where the membership in good standing is greater than one thousand; provided, however, in no event under the provisions of this section shall the number required be less than one hundred in Klans having a membership in good standing greater than four hundred. If this meeting is called upon petition in accordance with the provisions of this section, forty per cent of the membership in good standing at the time of such call shall constitute a quorum.

Section 23. In the event the charter of a Klan has been revoked or cancelled for any cause, whatsoever, and in the event of disbandment of a Klan, whether it be a chartered or Provisional Klan, all monies of that Klan in the possession of any officer or member thereof shall automatically become the actual monies of the Imperial Treasury of this Order and same must be freely and promptly turned over, on demand, to the properly accredited officer who is authorized by the Imperial Wizard to receive same in the name of this Order; also all books, papers, manuscripts, Klors, records, seal, Klan paraphernalia, regalia, robes, helmets and any

and all other things used by the Klan, and all articles or things appertaining to this Order as may have been used by or are in the possession of any individual member thereof.

Section 24. A Klan, or member of this Order shall not use the official costume or any part of same on any occasion outside the klavern without permission of the Grand Dragon in organized Realms, or the Imperial Wizard in unorganized States under penalty of forfeiture of their charter or banishment from this Order.

Section 25. No Klan or member shall use the name of this Order or any part thereof for any purpose that contravenes in any manner the laws of the land, that will reflect, or probably reflect, upon the reputation and good name, or compromise, or injure this Order, or any member thereof, in any way.

DUTIES OF KLAN OFFICERS.

ARTICLE XIX.

Section 1. EXALTED CYCLOPS: The Exalted Cyclops is the supreme officer of a Klan and its official head. He shall preside over the klonklaves and govern same with dignity, devotion and impartiality. He shall

be faithful in the prompt and efficient discharge of every duty prescribed or implied, incumbent upon him, and fearless without respect to individual persons in the administration of the affairs of his office in promoting the welfare of this Order within the bounds of his Klanton, and he shall set a laudable example to all Klansmen, of patriotism, klanishness, benevolence, love, justice, every respect. He shall require a faithful honor and a devoted loyalty to this Order in observance on the part of all Klansmen within his Klanton of the Constitution, laws, usages, etc., of this Order, and all Imperial, Realm or Province decrees, edicts, mandates, rulings and instructions, and seek to make vital and effective the principles, objects and purposes of this Order. He shall call the Klonklave to order promptly on the hour designated, if there be a quorum present, and see that his Terrors fill their respective offices in an acceptable manner. He shall diligently safeguard the sanctity and dignity of the charter of his Klan and suffer no encroachment thereon, nor any departure therefrom. He shall require the ritualistic work of the Kloran to be exemplified with the highest degree of perfection possible, and he

shall do such other things as may be required of him by the Laws of this Order, the Kloran, the by-laws of his Klan, and faithfully execute all orders and special instructions of the Great Titan, Grand Dragon or the Imperial Wizard.

Section 2. KLALIFF: The Klaliff is the vice-president of his Klan, and he shall preside over the klonklave in the absence of the Exalted Cyclops. He shall preserve order during the deliberations of a klonklave, and otherwise assist the Exalted Cyclops in klonklave assembled and perform such other duties as may be required of him by the Exalted Cyclops, the Kloran and by-laws of his Klan.

Section 3. KLOKARD: The Klokard is the lecturer or instructor and the Klan censor or critic. He shall administer the oaths, deliver the Kloranic lectures, instruct in secret work, do those things commonly required of a critic, and perform such other duties as may be required of him by the Exalted Cyclops, the Kloran and the by-laws of his Klan. He shall be responsible for the proper performance of all ritualistic work within his Klan, and shall disseminate Klancraft throughout his Klanton.

Section 4. KLUDD: The Kludd is the chaplain of the Klan. He shall perform the duties peculiar to his sacred office, and such other duties as may be required of him by the Exalted Cyclops, the Kloran and the by-laws of his Klan. He shall be responsible for such musical programs as may be presented; and for the general spiritual welfare of his Klan.

Section 5. KLIGRAPP: The Kligrapp is the secretary and recording officer of the Klan. He shall keep an accurate and complete record of all the proceedings of his Klan assembled, and a correct and systematic record of its membership, and of the date each member was naturalized, etc., as required by the record book for that purpose. He shall make a report through the proper channels to the proper officers not later than the 10th of the month for the calendar quarter last past on the regular blanks therefor, and with his reports he shall remit to said officer or officers all monies belonging to this Order, such as Imperial Tax, Realm or Provincial Tax, Klec-tokons, monies due for supplies and any and all other monies due and payable to said officers. He shall witness all requisitions made for any article or paraphernalia, regalia, jewelry, or other property of this Order, to be

used by the Klan or a member thereof, and see that the required sum of money is sent therewith. He shall notify all members who are in arrears three months, and shall notify the Imperial Office of the arrears of a member for three months. He shall be the custodian of the seal of the Klan and shall impress it on all papers and documents requiring same, and perform such other duties as may be required of him by the Exalted Cyclops, the Kloran and the by-laws of his Klan.

Section 6. **KLABEE:** The Klabe is the treasurer of the Klan. He shall be the custodian of its funds, and shall receive from the Kligrapp all monies due to be turned over to him, giving his receipt for same, and keeping same apart from his personal funds and secure for the sole use of the Klan. He shall keep an accurate account of all monies received by him, and pay same out only on order of the Klan, signed by the Exalted Cyclops and the Kligrapp, except the monies due by the Klan to the Imperial Realm and Province Officers, which monies do not require action of the Klan, and make a faithful record of such disbursements. He shall make a complete and itemized report of his office to the Klan when same is requested by the Exalted

Cyclops or the Klan, and shall perform such other duties as may be required of him by the Exalted Cyclops and the by-laws of his Klan.

Section 7. KLADD: The Kladd is the conductor of the Klan and the custodian of its paraphernalia and other properties. He shall conduct candidates for naturalization, collect the countersign and pass word at the opening of a klonklave, and perform such other duties as may be required of him by the Exalted Cyclops, the Kloran and the by-laws of his Klan.

Section 8. KLAROGO: The Klarogo is the inner guard of the Klan. He shall keep a diligent watch at the inner door and permit only those to enter the Klavern who are qualified or have the permission of the Exalted Cyclops. If he should be in doubt as to the qualifications of the one seeking admission, he must satisfy himself from the Klaliff or Kligrapp. He shall perform such other duties as may be required of him by the Exalted Cyclops, the Kloran and the by-laws of his Klan.

Section 9. KLEXTER: The Klexter is the outer guard of a Klan. He shall keep a diligent and faithful watch at the outer door, and

allow no one to pass him from the outside except those who are qualified and have permission of the Exalted Cyclops. He shall observe from time to time the outside premises of the Klavern to see that no eavesdroppers or other persons are around, who are liable to obtain information or knowledge concerning the acts or procedure of the klonklave. He shall in no case leave his post of duty unless summoned therefrom by the Exalted Cyclops, and even then, a substitute must be placed in his stead to watch until his return. He shall perform such other duties as may be required of him by the Exalted Cyclops, the Kloran and the by-laws of his Klan.

Section 10. NIGHT HAWK: The Night Hawk is the special courier of the Exalted Cyclops. He shall have charge of and shall entertain the candidate or candidates in the outer den of the klavern until he is signalled to enter the klavern at the beginning of the ceremony of naturalization. He shall carry the Fiery Cross in the ceremony and on all public exhibitions where same is used, and shall perform such other duties as may be required of him by the Exalted Cyclops and the by-laws of his Klan.

Section 11. KLOKANN: The Klokann is the Board of Auditors, Advisors and Trustees, and the investigating committee of the Klan. It shall be composed of three members, each of whom shall bear the title of "Klokan." It shall be their duty to audit the books and records of the Kligrapp and the Klabee in the month of June each year, and oftener if so required by the Klan in writing. They shall see that all paraphernalia, regalia and other property of the Klan and of this Order is properly kept, and shall perform such other duties as may be required of them by the Exalted Cyclops and the by-laws of their Klan. Said Klokann may select such assistants as in their judgment seems necessary.

Section 12. An officer of a Klan who allows himself to get in arrears for three months, or who absents himself from three consecutive klonklaves without a providential excuse, or who fails to master his part of the kloranic work within sixty days after he is placed in office, shall forfeit all rights, prerogatives and honors of his office; the Exalted Cyclops must declare his office vacant and will at once appoint a successor thereto. If the Exalted Cyclops shall be guilty of negligence as above, the Klan in klonklave shall demand his res-

agnation and whether tendered by him or not, they shall proceed to elect his successor at the following klonklave if he is not present to apologize to the Klan and take up his duties of office.

Section 13. The Grand Dragon or the Great Titan shall have the power to remove any officer of a local Klan for cause, but must immediately report said removal to the Tribunal of the Realm, whose duty it shall be to immediately pass on the correctness of his act. If he is sustained the Klan shall proceed to elect a successor to the officer removed; if he is not sustained, the officer removed resumes the duties of his office. This applies in Realms that have perfected Realm organizations. In all other jurisdictions this power is vested in the Imperial Wizard, who shall report same to the Imperial Klouncilium for review in the same manner as above set forth.

OFFENSES AND PENALTIES.

ARTICLE XX.

Section 1. Offenses against this Order shall be divided into two classes—major offenses and minor offenses.

Section 2. Major offenses shall consist of (1) treason against the United States of America; (2) violating the oath of allegiance to this Order or any supplementary oath or obligation thereof; (3) Disrespect of virtuous womanhood; (4) violation of the Constitution or the laws of this Order; conspiring against the interest and prosperity of this Order or any Klansman in any way or being a party thereto, or being a party to any move, conspiracy or organization whose existence is antagonistic or injurious to or is an imitation of this Order; whose name, style or title is a colorable imitation of this Order; swearing allegiance to or otherwise becoming a citizen or subject of any nation, government or institution of any nature or classification whatsoever, or any ruler or potentate, prince or person of any court whatever that is foreign to or is inimical to the government of the United States of America and its established institutions, or aiding or abetting such a government, nation, institution, ruler, potentate, prince or person, against the interest, well-being or dignity of the United States of America or the distinctive institutions of its government; violating the by-laws of a Klan of this Order; excessive or habit-

ual drunkenness; drunkenness or the drinking of intoxicating liquor during a klonklave or on the premises thereof, or entering a klonklave in an intoxicated condition; the habitual use of profane language or vulgarity during a klonklave or during an assembly of Klansmen just prior thereto; (5) being responsible for the polluting of Caucasian blood through miscegenation, or the commission of any act unworthy of a Klansman; (6) the repeated commission of a minor offense shall in itself constitute a major offense.

Section 3. Minor offenses. Minor offenses shall consist of drunkenness, drinking intoxicating liquor during a klonklave or on the premises thereof, entering a klonklave in an intoxicated condition, use of profane language or vulgarity during a klonklave or in an assembly of Klansmen just prior thereto, or committing any other act which might operate against the best interest of the Klan or Klansmen, refusal or failure to obey the mandates, rules, edicts and orders of the Exalted Cyclops or the Klan, or the failure or refusal on the part of any Klansman, upon demand by the Exalted Cyclops, to respond to any summons issued by him, unless he has a providential excuse; or failure

or refusal to surrender his credentials when called for by the Exalted Cyclops.

Section 4. PENALTIES: All offenses enumerated above under the head of major offenses shall be tried and penalties assessed by the Tribunal hereinafter provided for. All offenses enumerated as minor offenses shall be heard and determined and penalties assessed by the Exalted Cyclops of the Klan. Penalties shall be of four classes, as follows: 1. Reprimand; 2. Suspension; 3. Banishment; 4. Extreme Penalty—banishment forever, and there shall be added thereto complete ostracism in any and all things by each and every member of this Order.

Section 5. A member who fails to respect the penalty imposed on another member shall receive the same penalty as if he himself were guilty of that offense.

Section 6. All charges against a Klansman, involving a major offense under the Constitution and Laws of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan shall be in writing, specifying the acts complained of, which shall be submitted to the Klorkann of the Klan of which the accused is a member, or in whose jurisdiction the offense was committed.

Section 7. Upon the filing of such charges the Klokann shall consider and investigate the same and take action thereon within thirty days from the time such charges are filed. The Klokann shall determine the sufficiency of the charges presented and the advisability of a trial as herein provided, and their action on such charges shall be final.

If the judgment of the Klokann is not unanimous, then the decision of a majority of the Klokann, when approved by the Exalted Cyclops, shall be final.

Section 8. Upon the filing of such charges the Klokann shall have the right in its discretion, through the Exalted Cyclops, to suspend the accused during the period of investigation of such charges or until his acquittal (if trial is ordered).

If, in the opinion of the Klokann, the charges presented constitute a minor offense, as herein defined, the same shall be referred to the Exalted Cyclops for such action as he shall deem proper.

Section 9. If the Klokann shall order a trial of the accused, the charges and specifications shall be published in regular klonklave by the Klaliff.

Section 10. The Exalted Cyclops shall in such event set the date of the trial which shall be not more than thirty days after report of the Klokann, and shall serve the accused with a copy of the indictment or charges not less than ten days before the date of the trial.

Section 11. (a) The accused shall be tried before a Tribunal selected as follows: The Exalted Cyclops, Klaliff, Klokard and Kludd shall each select from the membership in good standing six Klansmen whose names shall be placed in some suitable receptacle and from this receptacle the Kladd, wearing a hood-wink, shall withdraw eight names, and the remaining sixteen Klansmen shall constitute the Tribunal whose attendance at the trial is compulsory. In the event any one or more of the sixteen Klansmen thus selected shall fail to appear, that number which do appear may select from the Klan body sufficient Klansmen to fill their places.

(b) In event of charges being presented against the Exalted Cyclops of a Klan, he shall immediately vacate his office and he shall remain out of office until the case against him is finally adjudicated. In such event the Klaliff shall immediately assume the office, duties and responsibilities of the Exalted Cy-

claps and shall appoint a Klaliff. The Klaliff in all respects shall be Exalted Cyclops in fact and the one appointed by him to the office of Klaliff shall be Klaliff in fact until the case against the Exalted Cyclops is finally adjudicated. In event the Exalted Cyclops so accused shall have been found guilty and duly penalized, the acting Exalted Cyclops and Klaliff shall remain in their respective offices until the end of the term, or until he shall have been reinstated. In the event charges are preferred against a Terror of a Klan he shall vacate his office immediately and shall remain out of office until the case against him has been finally adjudicated. Immediately upon his vacating office, the Exalted Cyclops shall appoint a substitute thereto and this substitute shall act in this office until the case against the Terror in question has been finally adjudicated. In the event the Terror in question is convicted and penalized, the substitute in his former office shall become the Terror in fact of that office unless or until the said Terror shall have been reinstated. In the event the Exalted Cyclops or any Terror of the Klan is accused and tried and acquitted, such Exalted Cyclops or Terror shall immediately resume his former office and

proceed with the affairs of his office as before.

Section 12. Such Tribunal shall select one of their number as Triton, who shall preside, and one as Scribe, and the duty of the Scribe shall be to make a record of the proceedings, write the testimony of witnesses, or cause same to be done by a competent Klansman stenographer. Said Tribunal shall have authority and power to issue a summons directed to any Klansman, commanding him to appear and give testimony for or against the accused, and hear the charges and evidence and to render judgment in conformity with the laws of this Order and the evidence adduced.

Section 13. The Tribunal and the accused may take testimony touching the issues involved, except where Klan secrets and secret information of the Klan are involved, by interrogatories and cross interrogatories, first giving either party timely notice thereof, and such evidence when so taken may be received as evidence in the case and may be used by either party.

Section 14. On the date set for trial the accused shall be required to be present in person or by counsel (who shall be a Klansman

in good standing), Providence alone preventing; and in the event of his failure or refusal to be present or represented by counsel the said Tribunal shall select a member in good standing in that Klan as counsel for the defense and proceed with the case and hear proof touching his guilt or innocence and render its decision in accordance with the laws of this Order and the evidence adduced at such trial; and said Tribunal in rendering its decision shall find whether or not service of the charges has been made upon the accused and notice of the time and place of hearing has been given to the defendant. Service of the time and place of the trial of the accused shall be made upon him in person or by registered letter, and a return card from the postoffice showing delivery thereof to such Klansman, coupled with an affidavit from the Night Hawk of such Klan to the effect that a copy of the charges or indictment and a notice to the accused Klansman, specifying the time and place of trial, was placed in a letter in an envelope with proper postage and directed to such Klansman at his last known address, shall constitute service and notice on such Klansman.

Section 15. No evidence shall be offered at such trial except such as may be pertinent to the charges presented.

Section 16. At a trial held under this article only the following may be present: (a) the Tribunal in full regalia of the Order; (b) the Prosecutor appointed by the Klokann; (c) the defendant and his representative or representatives; (d) witnesses who are Klansmen; (e) the Great Titan or his representative; (f) the Grand Dragon or his representative; (g) the Imperial Wizard or his representative; (h) a stenographer reporting the case, who must be a Klansman.

Section 17. At the conclusion of the evidence, the prosecutor and counsel for the accused shall have the right to argue the case to the Tribunal and the accused shall have the right to be heard in his own behalf, and at the conclusion of the arguments all persons except the Tribunal immediately shall retire.

Section 18. After fully considering the charges and evidence thereon, such tribunal shall determine the guilt or innocence of the accused by written ballot. Twelve or more votes shall be necessary to convict or acquit.

Section 19. If the accused shall be found guilty, the tribunal shall assess the penalty

to be imposed and the Exalted Cyclops shall enforce the same, and such judgment shall be published by the Klaliff at the next regular klonklave.

Section 20. If the accused shall be acquitted, the Exalted Cyclops shall be notified thereof and such acquittal shall be published by the Klaliff at the next regular klonklave.

Section 21. If the tribunal is unable to reach a decision as herein provided, then such tribunal shall be discharged, another tribunal composed altogether of different members from the former tribunal shall be created as herein provided, who shall proceed to try the case as herein set forth.

Section 22. Should the accused be acquitted, a majority of the Klokann shall have the right to appeal from the judgment of the tribunal and such majority of the Klokann shall also have the right to suspend the accused through the Exalted Cyclops until such appeal shall have been finally determined.

Section 23. Should the accused be convicted he shall have the right to appeal from the judgment of the tribunal; but he shall remain suspended until such appeal shall have been finally determined.

Section 24. Notice of appeal shall be in writing signed by the party or parties appealing and filed with the Kligrapp of the Klan in which the accused was tried, not more than 15 days from the date the judgment of the tribunal was published in regular klonklave.

Section 25. Upon the filing of such appeal, the Kligrapp, Triton and Scribe of the tribunal shall, within 30 days, make up a complete transcript of the proceedings had upon the trial, which shall be duly certified to by the Kligrapp and forwarded by him immediately to the Grand Dragon of that Realm. Provided, however, that any member who shall be found guilty by a tribunal in a realm other than that in which he holds membership, shall have the right, at his option, to take his appeal to the Imperial Kloncilium instead of to the Grand Tribunal of the realm where the trial is held.

Section 26. In states where realm organization has not been instituted, the appeal shall be taken to the Imperial Kloncilium and a transcript of appeal filed with the Imperial Kligrapp in like manner as is provided in appeals to the Grand Tribunal of a Realm.

Section 27. In organized Realms the Grand Dragon shall annually select a Grand Tribunal

composed of 12 Hydras or Giants, provided that for the first two years after a realm is instituted the tribunal may be composed of Hydras, Furies, Exalted Cyclops and Klaliffs.

Section 28. The Grand Tribunal shall meet at the annual meeting of the Klorero and at such other times as the Grand Dragon thereof may direct.

Section 29. The Grand Dragon shall designate one of said Grand Tribunal as Triton and he shall select his scribe therefor from the membership of the Grand Tribunal. The decision of nine or more members of said Grand Tribunal shall render judgment.

Section 30. Until Realm organization is instituted all appeals from judgments of the tribunal of the individual Klans in such states shall be reviewed by the Imperial Kloucilium whose judgments thereon shall be final.

Section 31. The procedure shall in all cases refer and apply to major offenses against the Order and shall in no sense alter or affect Sections 3 and 4 of Article 20 of the Constitution and Laws.

Section 32. All judgments of the tribunal shall be reported promptly by the Kligrapp of the Klan within 5 days to the Grand Dragon;

or where a Realm organization has not been perfected, to the Imperial Kligrapp.

Section 33. Where banishment has been imposed, the Grand Dragon or the Imperial Kligrapp, as the case may be, shall so notify all Klans within the Realm where the case originated. Where the extreme penalty has been imposed, the Imperial Wizard shall decree, proclaim and publish same or cause the same to be done to all Klans throughout the Invisible Empire.

Section 34. In the event the preceding sections of this Constitution fail to provide for punishment of any Klansman for any of the offenses herein referred to, or for any other offense that is inimical to the best interest of this Order, the Imperial Wizard is hereby vested with authority and power to prefer charges against such Klansman in accordance with the provisions of this Article, or at his discretion to issue banishment order against such Klansman, who shall have the right of appeal to the Imperial Klouncilium for a period of 90 days after date of banishment. The Imperial Kligrapp shall publish the decree of banishment to Klans in the Realm in which

such person hold membership, or throughout the bounds of the Invisible Empire in accordance with the decree.

KU KLUX KALENDAR, KU KLUX KULLORS, ETC.

ARTICLE XXI.

Section 1. Hereafter the calender of this Order, by which days, weeks, months and years shall be designated in all official documents, is as follows:

Days—	Weeks—	Months—
7. Desperate	5. Weird	12. Appalling
6. Dreadful	4. Wonderful	11. Frightful
5. Desolate	3. Wailing	10. Sorrowful
4. Doleful	2. Weeping	9. Mournful
3. Dismal	1. Woeful	8. Horrible
2. Deadly		7. Terrible
1. Dark		6. Alarming
		5. Furious
		4. Fearful
		3. Hideous
		2. Gloomy
		1. Bloody

YEAR OF THE KLAN: The year of the Klan (Anno Klan) begins with the month of May each year.

CYCLE: A cycle is twelve calendar months beginning with the month of December each year.

REIGN: The reign of Incarnation includes all time up to the American Revolutionary War. The first reign of our Re-incarnation dates from the beginning of the Revolutionary War and the establishment of our Government to the Organization of the KuKlux Klan of the Reconstruction, in the year A. D. 1866. The second Reign of our Re-incarnation dates from the year A. D. 1866 to the year A. D. 1872. The third Reign of our Re-incarnation dates from the year A. D. 1915 on to the present and the future.

Section 2. The Kardinal Kullors of this Order, hereafter, shall be White, Crimson, Gold and Black. The secondary Kullors shall be Gray, Green and Blue. The Official Kullors of the Emperor shall be such as he may designate; those of the Imperial Wizard, Royal Purple. The significance and the mystery of these Kullors in the Invisible Empire shall be revealed Kloranically.

Section 3. There shall be four Kloranic Orders of this Order, namely: The Order of Citizenship or K-UNO (probationary); Knights Kamellia or K-DUO (primary Order of Knighthood); Knights of the Great Forrest or K-TRIO (The Order of American Chivalry); and Knights of the Midnight Mystery or K-QUAD (Superior Order of Knighthood and Spiritual Philosophies).

Section 4. These several orders of Klannish achievement and Kloranic advancement shall be communicated, and their Kloranic regulations, requirements and governments shall be established and promulgated by and in the discretion of the Emperor of this Order in the unfoldment of its philosophies and in the revelation of its spiritual mysteries.

ANNIVERSARY.

ARTICLE XXII.

Section 1. The Order was first organized and operated under the appellation of the Ku Klux Klan, or Invisible Empire, in the town of Pulaski, Tennessee, in the month of May, in the year Eighteen Hundred and Sixty-Six (1866), by six young men as a "social club." In the Year Eighteen Hundred and Sixty-

Seven (1867) it was reorganized into a "regulative and protective organization" and as such it actively existed as a cohesive organization until about the year Eighteen Hundred and Seventy-Two (1872) at which time it voluntarily disbanded in pursuance of an order issued by its Grand Wizard-General Nathan Bedford Forrest. In the month of October, in the Year Nineteen Hundred and Fifteen (1915) it was resurrected, reconstructed and remodeled into its present incorporated form and character as a "historical, social, patriotic, military, benevolent, ritualistic, fraternal order or society" under its present appellation by William Joseph Simmons, of Atlanta, Georgia, and thirty-three associates, three of whom were bona fide members in good standing of this Order when it disbanded as a regulative and protective Organization, as above stated.

Section 2. The anniversary date of this Order hereafter shall be the Sixth (6th) day of the Month of May each year.

Section 3. An anniversary celebration shall be held each year on the anniversary date in the City of Atlanta, Georgia, as the principal anniversary celebration of this Order, the concluding exercises of which shall be held, if pos-

sible, on the summit of Stone Mountain, near the City of Atlanta, Georgia, at midnight of the anniversary date.

BONDS.

ARTICLE XXIII.

Section 1. Each and every Kleagle, regularly appointed and commissioned by the Imperial Wizard, and the Kligrapp and Klabee of each and all subordinate jurisdictions shall give bond in whatever sum, and in whatever bond or surety company the Imperial Wizard may direct, and the premium for said bond must be paid by the jurisdiction or Klan for its Kligrapp and Klabee, and by the Kleagle or other officer bonded, except Imperial Officers, whose bond shall be paid from the Imperial Treasury.

ARTICLE XXIV.

Section 1. This Constitution may be amended by the Imperial Klonvokation, at any regular session thereof, provided that such proposed amendment be indorsed by the Klorero of three or more Realms, or such amendment be proposed by the Imperial Wizard. Such proposed amendment or amendments shall become a part of this Constitution when same has been

passed by a two-thirds vote of the Klonvokation and also ratified by the Imperial Wizard; provided further that no amendment shall affect in any way the fundamental principles, objects, purposes and ideals of this Order, or the military character of its government.

Section 2. All laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith are hereby repealed and this Constitution shall go into effect immediately upon its adoption.

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION.

THIS CERTIFIES that the above Constitution and laws of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Incorporated, as duly authorized by the incorporators of said Corporation in session assembled on the Third day of July, A. D., 1916, AK-L, were duly adopted subject to ratification by the Imperial Wizard, by the Imperial Klonvokation of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Incorporated, in its initial session, assembled on the Twenty-Ninth day of November, A. D., Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-Two, AK-LVI., in the City of Atlanta, Georgia. I officially declare and affirm that the text hereof is correct.

CERTIFICATE OF RATIFICATION; AND PROCLAMATION

To all Genii, Grand Dragons and Hydras, Great Titans and Furies, Giants, Exalted Cyclops and Terrors, and to all citizens of the Invisible Empire; in the name of the Valiant and Venerated dead, I affectionately greet you:

THIS CERTIFIES that the above Constitution and laws of the **Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Incorporated**, as authorized, prepared and adopted by the Imperial Klonvokation of the **Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Incorporated**, has been duly submitted to me for ratification and proclamation; the same is hereby ratified and, therefore, I do

OFFICIALLY PROCLAIM

The same to be the Constitution and Laws of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Incorporated, for the government of the Invisible Empire and all jurisdictions and Klans thereunder, and all persons therein, and to which all citizens thereof, Klansmen, members of this Order, have

Atlanta, Georgia, November 29th, 1922.



**Imperial Klaliff.
(Ex-Officio President of the Imperial Klou-
vokation).**

Attest:



**Imperial Kligrapp.
(Secretary)**

sworn an unqualified allegiance, and pledge in sacred sincerity, a constant inflexible obedience.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, the Imperial Wizard of the Invisible Empire, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Incorporated, have caused the great Imperial Seal of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Incorporated, to be impressed hereon, and I hereunto affix my official signature and seal on this the Twenty-Ninth day of the Eleventh Month of the Year of Our Lord Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-Two; and on the Doleful Day of the Wierd Week of the Terrible Month of the Year of the Klan LVI, in the Seventh Cycle of the Third Reign of our Re-incarnation.

TO THE LOVERS of law and order, peace and justice, we send greetings; and to the shades of the Valiant, Venerated Dead, we gratefully and affectionately dedicate the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

Done in the executive chambers of His Lordship, the Imperial Wizard, in the Imperial Palace, in the Imperial City of Atlanta, Com-

monwealth of Georgia, United States of America, on the day and date above written.

"Non Silba Sed Authar."

BY HIS LORDSHIP,

H. W. Evans

Imperial Wizard.

Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc.

(Imperial Seal)

(NEW ADMINISTRATION)



Attest:

H. Ramsey

Imperial Kligrapp,

Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

(NEW ADMINISTRATION)